





## Halton Highlights September 2018

### Back to school resources for parents and students

To help ease the transition back to school, the Halton Region Health Department provides parents, caregivers and students with a variety of programs, supports and resources.

#### Supports to help your child succeed at school

Is your child transitioning to kindergarten or high school? Our Ready, Set, Go! online resources (for kindergarten students) and Ready, Set, Whoa! (for high school students) include checklists, community supports and other information that can help you navigate and support your child's journey through the next chapter of their education. Learn more at **halton.ca**.

#### Connect with HaltonParents for helpful parenting tips

Our team of public health professionals offers parenting tips and resources for children of all ages, including how to set up your child for success throughout the school year. Connect with a member of the HaltonParents team online at **halton.ca**, follow @haltonparents on Facebook or Twitter, email **haltonparents@halton.ca** or call 311.

#### Report your child's immunizations

Every time a child receives an immunization, parents are responsible for providing those updates to the Halton Region Health Department. There are many ways to report your child's immunizations. Report online at **halton.ca**, use the OneHalton app, mail, or drop off your records to the Halton Region Health Department at 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, L6M 3L1 or call 311.





Keeping children safe and healthy



#### More items now recyclable in Halton Region

Halton Region has expanded its Blue Box recycling program to include more items for recycling. Halton residents can place the following items in the Blue Box or in clear plastic bags for curbside collection:

- plastic bags (such as grocery bags, shopping bags, newspaper or flyer bags, produce bags and outer milk bags);
- plastic overwrap (such as plastic packaging over paper towels or cases of pop); and
- metal pots, frying pans and metal baking sheets.

Halton continues to have one of the highest Blue Box participation rates in Ontario with more than 95 per cent of homes participating each week. To make sure you are recycling correctly and to find out what items go where, visit **halton.ca**, download the OneHalton app or use our online Put Waste in its Place sorting tool.



# Don't wait for a rainy day—protect your home from basement flooding

Flooding can happen when you least expect it and can cause significant damage to your home and property. Halton Region continues to make investments to ensure our community can handle more frequent and severe wet weather. This includes investing \$2.1 billion in our water and wastewater systems over the next 10 years to ensure municipal infrastructure is in a state of good repair and able to withstand significant rainfall.

Halton Region's Enhanced Basement Flooding Prevention Subsidy Program provides financial assistance and information to help you make improvements to your home that can reduce the risk of basement flooding. There are four subsidies available to help protect your home:

- 1. Downspout disconnection: 100 per cent subsidy, up to a maximum of \$500
- 2. Weeping tile disconnection: 100 per cent subsidy, up to a maximum of \$5,000
- 3. Backwater valve installation: 50 per cent subsidy, up to a maximum of \$675
- 4. Sewer lateral (pipe) lining and repair: 50 per cent subsidy, up to a maximum of \$2,000

To learn more about our subsidy program and other tips to help protect your home from flooding, visit **halton.ca**.

#### **Meetings at Halton Region**

1151 Bronte Rd., Oakville, L6M 3L1

Visit halton.ca for full schedule.

Please contact us as soon as possible if you have any accessibility needs at Halton Region events or meetings.

#### Building Improvements at Halton Regional

Halton Region is improving the Halton Regional Centre (HRC) to better serve you. Due to renovation work, Regional Council meetings will be relocated to the Auditorium from April to November 2018, and Standing Committee discussions will take place at Council meetings during this time. To learn more, visit halton.ca or call 311.

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