

Halton's population grew by 17% over five years

Statistics Canada's latest release of data from the 2006 census with information on families, marital status, households and dwellings, confirms that Halton's population increase is consistent with the growth targets set by the Province.

The data also underscores the importance of Halton's Fairness for Halton campaign that calls upon senior levels of government to provide adequate and sustainable funding for the services and infrastructure that growing communities need, says Regional Chair

Gary Carr.

Our goal is safe, healthy, liveable, inclusive communities in Halton. We will be striving to achieve that goal as our population increases and changes," says Carr.

"In order to anticipate what this growth will mean, we are undergoing a made-in-Halton planning process called Sustainable Halton to determine our human services and transportation, water and waste management infrastructure needs to the year 2031 and beyond. Our fairness campaign pushes for assurance that

senior levels of government will be full partners in providing the necessary financial tools and funding commitments to address municipal infrastructure needs," he says.

Two parent families increased by 17%, too

Census figures show Halton's population grew by 17% from 2001-2006, with an increasing number of families with youth and children. Overall, the number of two-parent families with children also increased

by 17% (8,625) while lone parent families increased by 24% (2,955). The figures show that Halton's growing communities will need increased health and social services supporting fami-

lies, children and youth, such as child care, schools, hospitals, recreation and other opportunities for youth.

Census figures also show that throughout Halton, homeowners have increased

housing options, other than single detached dwellings. However, for renters, a four per cent (4%) slippage in the supply of rental dwellings is a concern. A decrease in units generally means fewer housing choices for lower income households because the lack of supply drives up housing costs.

Halton Region has developed a Comprehensive Housing Strategy (CHS) which identified a shortage of approximately 300-600 units of affordable housing in 2006. Halton's CHS will implement a number of initiatives to meet this

shortage.

Census figures released on September 12 are part of a series of broad community profiles released by Statistics Canada over two to three years. As data from the 2006 census continues to be released, Halton Region will be conducting more detailed analysis.

Halton residents may visit Halton's web site at www.halton.ca

To find out more about the fairness campaign and to forward an on-line postcard to local MPs and MPPs in support of the fairness initiative.



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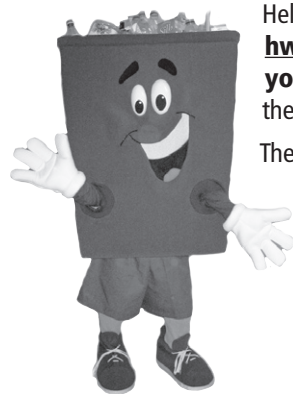
You're invited to attend a community open house celebrating

Halton Waste Management Site's 15th Birthday

Saturday, September 29, 2007
Drop in between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Cake cutting at 12 p.m.



- Have a guided bus tour of the Halton Waste Management Site (approximately 30 minutes)
- See a new section of the landfill under construction and how we protect soil and groundwater
- Watch the landfill machinery in action and up close
- Take part in a craft made from reusable items
- Enter a contest to name our new Blue Box mascot
- Enjoy a cash BBQ provided by the Lion's Club of Milton
- Learn how the Halton Region Solid Waste Management Strategy helps protect our environment and extend the life of the landfill

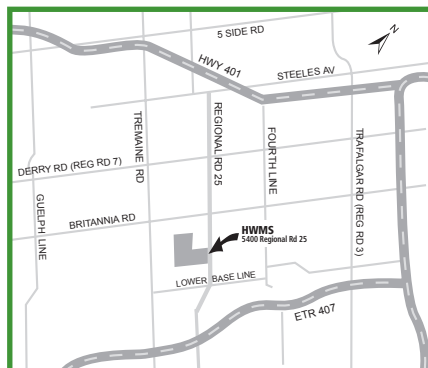


Help us make this event "waste free." **Send an email to hwms15@halton.ca and let us know how many people in your family are planning to attend.** That way we can prepare the right amount of food and materials and not be wasteful.

The Halton Waste Management Site originally opened in 1992 with a life expectancy of 20 years or the year 2012. Because Halton residents have been so good about recycling, the landfill life grew to 2023. With the Region-wide implementation of the GreenCart, the landfill life will expand to the year 2030.

Halton Waste Management Site
5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

This is a wheelchair accessible event.



Celebrating 15 Years of Environmentally Safe Waste Management!

Halton Hills Thanksgiving Waste Collection Notice

Please Note Collection Day Changes

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8 Thanksgiving <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>	9 <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>	10 <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>	11 <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>	12 <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>	13 <i>Collection Moves to Tomorrow</i>

Due to Thanksgiving, waste collection services the week of October 8 will take place the day after your regular collection day.

Please place your waste at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your scheduled collection day.



Please check your 2007 "Curb Appeal" Waste Management Calendar for details in your area or the Region's Waste Management website at www.halton.ca/waste

Halton Waste Management Site Will be closed on Monday, October 8

Regular Operating Hours
Open Monday to Saturday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

5400 Regional Road 25, Milton

HALTON REGION ENDS MANDATORY ODD/EVEN WATER RESTRICTION

Halton Region has ended its mandatory odd/even water restriction on outdoor water use. Cooler temperatures, in combination with the recent rainfall and positive cooperation by Halton's residents and businesses, have helped replenish and maintain water reservoir levels.

Residents and businesses are still encouraged to use water wisely by voluntarily limiting outdoor water use to odd/even days based on one's municipal address. For more information on voluntary odd/even watering or for tips on water conservation, please visit www.halton.ca.