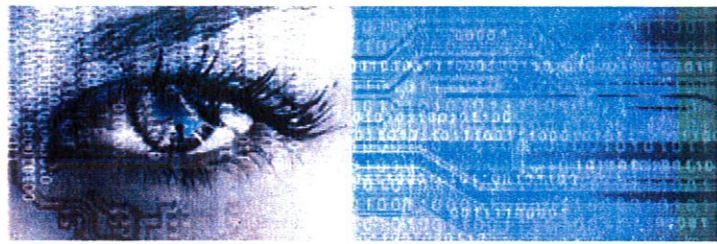


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AMO's Economic Development Task Force met on September 13, 2013 and received presentations from the Ministry of Economic Development, Trade and Employment, the Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities, the Ministry of Agriculture and Food and the City of Mississauga.

Provincial Matters

The new Local Food Fund is part of a three-year, \$30 million investment to support innovative local food projects in Ontario. The Province will provide up to 50% of a project's eligible costs. Projects may include local food networks, minor capital, research and best practices, promotion and education. Municipalities are eligible to apply - further guidance can be found here.

An approved industry stewardship plan (ISP) would allow a steward to implement their own waste diversion program. The four draft ISPs are regarding batteries; beverage containers; pesticides, solvents and fertilizers; and paints and coatings. AMO, MWA and RPWCO will work together to respond to these submissions along with individual municipalities.

Funding from the Ontario Power Authority, called MPSEPP, can help municipalities cover certain soft costs (like hiring technical help or legal fees) associated with making FIT Program applications - due in early November. Contact MPSEPP at (416) 969-6317 or email MPSEPP@powerauthority.on.ca.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

With the news filled with stories of floods, wildfires, train derailments, and more - does your community have an emergency communications plan? Dan Hefkey, Ontario Commissioner for Community Safety, kicks off the Counties, Regions and Single Tier Symposium by leading a discussion on best practices, lessons learned from recent events and more. Register today! (Oct 24 & 25, Oshawa)

The first annual LAS/Frank Cowan Risk Management Symposium was presented on September 10, 2013. Sessions covered best practices, relevance of historical data, rising court awards and more. Presentations from the Symposium are now available. Look for information on the 2014 Symposium in January.

AMO's Media & Social Media training provides elected officials and staff the tools to communicate complex information in plain language, craft and deliver messages that stick, handle difficult conversations and navigate the world of social media. Don't miss out, register today!

The Energy Planning Workshop offered by Natural Resources Canada and LAS provides best practices, sample energy plans, tools, resources and helpful tips on how to move from consumption data into an integrated, living plan. This workshop is geared towards all municipal staff, elected officials, and others interested in energy planning as required by Regulation 397/11. Register today!

Careers

Fire Chief - Township of Essa. Please forward your resume and covering letter by Noon, October 1, 2013 to: Chief Administrative Officer, The Township of Essa, 5786 County Road 21, Utopia, Ontario, L0M 1T0. Fax: 705-424-2367; Email: gmurphy@essatownship.on.ca.

Manager, Building Code Operations and Technical Support - Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing. Location: Toronto. Please apply online, entering Job ID 57290 in the Job ID search field, by September 26, 2013.

Coordinator Project Management, Energy - City of Burlington. Job Number CSI-168-13. Closing Date: September 30, 2013. To apply, please click on "[View Jobs](#)."

Director, Housing Development and Asset Strategy #15057 - York Region. Department: Community and Health Services, Housing and Long Term Care Branch. Please apply online by October 1, 2013 quoting competition #15057.

Director, Program Finance & Chief Financial Officer, Housing York Inc. #15056 - York Region. Department: Community and Health Services, Housing and Long Term Care Branch. Please apply on-line by October 2, 2013 quoting competition #15056.

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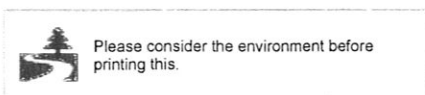
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