

Durham Region Unemployed Help Centre

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Welcome

Over the past 5 years, approximately 10,000 people from all over the world have chosen the Durham Region as a place to settle and grow.

The newly updated Durham Immigration Portal is a user-friendly, information-rich resource for those seeking to relocate to the Durham Region.

This month, we celebrate our local community and all that it has to offer. Explore, learn and grow in the Durham Region!

Updated! Immigration Portal

The region's Local Diversity and Immigration Partnership Council (LDIPC) recently updated the [Durham Immigration Portal](#) and it's getting a lot of attention!

The updated portal makes it easier for newcomers to acquire the information and services that are needed for a successful and efficient transition to the Durham Region.

[Read the DurhamRegion.com article by Keith Gilligan: Updated portal helps newcomers settle in Durham.](#)

[View the Global News video on the Durham Immigration Portal - Upgraded immigration website means easier transition for Durham newcomers.](#)

GO to Bowmanville

Plans to extend GO train service to Bowmanville are underway!

Although it will take a while before riders can make use of the extended service, construction is slated to begin 2019.

Construction will start with the building of a bridge over the 401 in Oshawa.

[Read the DurhamRadioNews.com article by clicking here.](#)

Oshawa Chamber – 90 Years

Last month, the [Oshawa Chamber of Commerce](#) celebrated its 90th birthday!

As members of the Oshawa Chamber of Commerce, DRUHC stands behind the Chamber's mission to support and promote the economic prosperity of their members and the community.

Finance in High School

By Fall 2018, Ontario will make financial skills a mandatory career course in high schools.

Laying the groundwork for financial literacy will be an essential aspect of the Grade 10 Careers Course overhaul.

In addition to essential financial skills, students will learn about digital literacy and entrepreneurship.

Read: [Ontario Launches Plan To Teach High School Kids Financial Skills](#).

Peony Festival Tops List

For six years in a row, the City of [Oshawa's Peony Festival](#) has been recognized among the [Top 100 Festivals and Events in Ontario](#).

This June, will be the Peony Festival's 14th year running. More than 7,000 people are expected to attend.

Visit the festival from Saturday, June 9 until Sunday, June 10 at the Oshawa Botanical Gardens. View over 300 types of peonies, enjoy a bonsai display, live music, a children's garden, and more. [For more information, click here.](#)

Maple Syrup Season

It's Maple Syrup season and there are plenty of events happening in the Durham Region to celebrate the sweet springtime tradition.

Visit one of the festivals happening this weekend:

Purple Woods - [Annual Maple Syrup Festival](#) **April 7 to 8**

Pefferlaw Creek Farms - First [Maple Syrup Festival](#) **April 7 to 8**

[Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival](#) **April 7 to 8**

Learn more about activities and events happening in the Durham Region. [Visit the Durham Tourism webpage.](#)

Agriculture Program

An Ontario school board has launched specialized courses in agriculture for high school students in midwestern Ontario.

Starting in September 2018, students in Huron and Perth will have the opportunity to immerse themselves in agriculture and hospitality.

The school board is awaiting approval from the ministry for a third stream related to food processing.

According to the Farms.com article by Kaitlynn Anderson, individuals with these majors may find advantages in the workplace.

Read the article: [Ontario school board launches ag-focused program](#).

Job Protection

As of January 1, 2018, the Province of Ontario expanded job-protected leave for survivors of domestic or sexual violence.

A worker can now take up to 17 weeks off without the fear of losing their job.

The leave is part of Ontario's plan for Fair Workplaces and Better Jobs. [Read more.](#)

Equality and Economy

The McKinsey Global Institute (MGI) - named the number one private-sector think tank in the world - released a report on revitalizing the Canadian economy through gender parity.

According to the report, [The power of parity: Advancing women's equality in Canada](#), progress in gender equality needs to advance from a social, moral and economic perspective.

By focusing on gender equality, the report states that Canada could see a 0.6% increase of annual GDP growth.

[Read the report.](#)

Roger Anderson

Sadly, Durham Regional Chairman and CEO Roger Anderson passed away on March 24, 2018.

Roger Anderson served his community throughout his life. He was 65 years old.

Viola Desmond on \$10 Bill

The new Canadian \$10 bill features civil rights activist Viola Desmond.

Viola Desmond, a successful black businesswoman, was jailed, convicted and fined in 1946 for refusing to leave a whites-only area of a movie theatre. Her court case inspired the pursuit of racial equality across Canada.

A new \$10 bill featuring Viola Desmond was unveiled during a ceremony in Halifax.

The \$10 purple polymer bill is the first vertically oriented bank note issued in Canada.

[Learn more about the new \\$10 bank note.](#)

[Read Yahoo! News article: Viola Desmond takes her place as civil rights icon as new \\$10 bill unveiled.](#)

Job Opportunities

- [- Line Cleaning and Technician](#)
- [- School Bus Driver - Bowmanville](#)
- [- Abilities Centre Employment](#)
- [- Cake Decorator](#)
- [- Director of Financial Services](#)
- [- AZ Driver](#)
- [- Kitchen Manager](#)
- [- Sales Associate - PT](#)
- [- Transport Driver](#)

Note: The Job Opportunities listed may expire throughout the month.

Please come in to one of the Durham Region Unemployed Help Centre [locations](#) to view **many more job postings**.

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