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**AMO Matters**

Nominations for the 2026–2028 AMO Board of Directors Election are open until Monday, June 22, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. (ET). If you are thinking of running, or want to encourage someone else to step forward, visit the [AMO Board Elections Webpage](#) for information on open positions, eligibility criteria, and nomination requirements. Questions can be directed to [amoelections@amo.on.ca](mailto:amoelections@amo.on.ca).

AMO is working collaboratively with other plan sponsors and the OMERS Administration Corporation to establish the new OMERS Sponsors Council. [Join us for a free webinar](#) on May 25th with AMO and MEPCO on these developments and why they matter to municipal employers.

AMO's Healthy Democracy Campaign, [When You Believe, They Believe](#), has passed 1,000,000 impressions! Help continue to amplify this campaign as we work to motivate candidates and voters to participate in the 2026 municipal elections. Visit our site to [download the campaign toolkit](#) with everything you need to help share this important campaign.

The PJ Marshall Awards recognize Ontario municipalities that have found smarter, creative or more cost-effective ways to deliver public services with tangible results. Applications are due by Friday, May 22, 2026 and the awards will be announced at the AMO [2026 Conference](#), held August 16 -19, 2026, in the City of Ottawa. [For more information and to apply, click here.](#)

**Federal Matters**

Environment and Climate Change Canada are seeking feedback on their Sustainable Development

Strategy by May 12. [Provide your feedback](#) through online questionnaire, by e-mail, or through participating in an upcoming webinar.

### **Education Opportunities**

Through its [Healthy Democracy Project](#), AMO is offering a dynamic lineup of information sessions to support aspiring candidates and current elected officials in their journey toward municipal office. Whether you're planning your first campaign, seeking re-election, representing an underrepresented community, or stepping forward as a young candidate, these programs are designed to meet you where you are—and help you move forward with confidence. [Register for one of these free workshops today.](#)

Newly elected municipal officials face big decisions, legal obligations, and a steep learning curve from day one. AMO and public sector education experts Institute on Governance, are building a new, highly practical learning program to give Ontario's municipal elected officials the strongest possible start to the upcoming term. [For more information, join the waitlist.](#)

Join AMO's CCBF team on May 14th from 1-3 pm for a webinar on how to use your Housing Needs Assessment. [Read more](#) here, and [click here to register](#).

### **LAS**

LAS has a bright solution to your lighting needs as the government phases out mercury lamps this year. Our [Facility Lighting Service](#) provides complete turn-key upgrades for your lighting systems. [Contact us today](#) for a free budget proposal.

When aging private water and sewer lines fail, homeowners can face severe financial stress. They often turn to the municipality for answers. Our latest blog explains how you can support local homeowner education and a positive economic impact by offering a sewer and water line warranty service through SLWC. [Read it here.](#)

### **Municipal Wire\***

The deadline to apply for the next intake of the AMCTO-Mitacs Municipal Innovation Internship Program - is tomorrow Friday, May 8, 2026. This program offers municipalities a cost-effective way to identify, advance, and address innovation or research challenges by partnering with a post-secondary student interested in a career in local government. [To learn more or to submit an application, Click Here.](#)

Nominations are open for the 2026 Daniel G. Hill Human Rights Awards, recognizing individuals who have made significant contributions to advancing human rights in Ontario. [Submissions open until May 29.](#)

The IPC's third Transparency Challenge is now open. [Submit your institution's innovative projects](#) advancing government openness and get showcased in Ontario's online Transparency gallery.

[The Ontario Bike Summit](#) returns to Toronto Sept 22–24, convening public and industry leaders to showcase North American best practices in cycling infrastructure, policy, tourism, and community planning.

### **Careers**

[Ombudsman - Legislative Assembly of Ontario / l'Assemblée législative de l'Ontario.](#) Closing Date: May 22, 2026.

[Fleet Specialist - Intact Public Entities.](#) Closing Date: June 6, 2026.

[Chief Wastewater Treatment Operator - City of Windsor.](#) Closing Date: May 29, 2026.

[Parks Operator, Horticulture - Town of Orangeville.](#) Closing Date: May 13, 2026.

[Deputy Clerk and Community Engagement - Town of Parry Sound.](#) Closing Date: May 15, 2026.

[Manager, Strategic Partnerships & Government Relations - Town of Caledon](#). Closing Date: May 21, 2026.

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AMO is a non-profit organization representing almost all of Ontario's 444 municipal governments. AMO supports strong and effective municipal government in Ontario and promotes the value of municipal government as a vital and essential component of Ontario's and Canada's political system. Follow [@AMOPolicy](#) on Twitter!

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