



# Council Information Package

## Corporation of the Township of Tay

Monday, June 15, 2026

Council Information Packages are published on a weekly basis and include correspondence for Council's information such as correspondence/notices from Provincial and Federal levels of government, including agencies and related associations, County of Simcoe communications, OPP news releases, resolutions from other municipalities that are relevant to the Township, information memos from staff, letters addressed to other agencies but copied to Council, thank you/acknowledgment letters and invitations.

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None received.
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None received.

June 15, 2026

RE: Updates to certain operational policies under the *Aggregates Resource Act*

Greetings,

Further to a letter from the ministry dated August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025, I am writing to inform you that a decision notice has been posted regarding the updates to certain operational policies under the *Aggregate Resources Act* (ERO # [025-0216](#)).

These policies were updated as part of the ministry's initiative to modernize operational policies that support the effective delivery of Ontario's *Aggregate Resources Act* program. The updates are intended to clarify requirements and improve program efficiency.

Policies related to the following have been updated:

- Cultural Heritage Report
- Matters to be Considered in the Issuance of a Licence
- Water Report
- Maximum Predicted Water Table Report (New Policy)

These updates better align policy guidance with the requirements of the Aggregate Resources of Ontario Standards. Details of the decision and revised policies are available through the Environmental Registry of Ontario (ERO #[025-0216](#)) and will be posted soon on the aggregates policies and procedures page.

In addition, the ministry has rescinded 28 policies that were outdated or no longer needed. Rescinding these policies is expected to provide greater certainty and clarity to industry and the public about current program requirements and processes.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact us by email at [aggregates@ontario.ca](mailto:aggregates@ontario.ca).

Sincerely,



John Dungavell,  
Director, Development and Hazard Policy Branch



# Advisory

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

## County of Simcoe hosts 2026 Workforce Connect Conference

**Midhurst/June 9, 2026** – The County of Simcoe Economic Development Office (EDO), in collaboration with area partners, is pleased to host its annual Workforce Connect Conference on Thursday, June 18, 2026. The free event, which requires registration, will take place at Brooklea Golf and Country Club, Midland from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

This annual conference brings together business leaders, entrepreneurs, and human resource professionals from across sectors to explore emerging workforce trends and strategies. Attendees will gain valuable insights, exchange best practices, and connect with industry experts.

Participants can expect a forward-looking keynote examining how global economic shifts are reshaping the workforce and how organizations can adapt. Throughout the morning, speakers and panelists will also share practical guidance on securing funding for business growth and community development, including funder priorities, application evaluation, and aligning projects for maximum impact. Sessions will feature real-world examples and actionable takeaways.

Additional sessions will highlight tools and strategies for building resilient workplaces. Service providers will outline available supports, while employers will share proven approaches, results, and lessons learned. The event will conclude with a celebration of leadership in inclusion, as Simcoe County’s Local Immigration Partnership will present Workplace Inclusion Charter Employer Recognition Awards to organizations advancing equitable and welcoming workplaces across Simcoe County.

<b>EVENT:</b>	<b>Workforce Connect Conference</b>
<b>Date</b>	Thursday, June 18, 2026
<b>Time</b>	9 a.m – 12:30 p.m.
<b>Location</b>	Brooklea Golf and Country Club, 8567 ON-93, Midland, ON
<b>Registration</b>	Space is limited, reserve your spot for free by <a href="#">clicking here</a>

### About the County of Simcoe

County of Simcoe is composed of sixteen member municipalities and provides crucial public services to County residents in addition to providing paramedic and social services to the separated cities of Barrie and Orillia. Visit our website at [simcoe.ca](http://simcoe.ca).

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## **Simcoe County Archives celebrates its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

**Midhurst/June 9, 2026** – The Simcoe County Archives is marking a major milestone this year, celebrating 60 years of preserving and sharing the rich history of our region. The anniversary coincides with International Archives Day, highlighting the important role archives play in connecting communities with their past.

County Councillors and partners were invited to the Archives to celebrate this significant anniversary and recognize six decades of service. To commemorate the anniversary, Service Simcoe created a promotional video showcasing the Archives' vital work, the breadth of its collections, and the many ways it supports residents, researchers, and local organizations. The video can be viewed [here](#).

Since its establishment in 1966, the Simcoe County Archives has grown into a trusted resource for preserving the heritage of the County and its past and present member municipalities. The Archives houses a wide range of historical materials, including photographs, maps, government records, tax ledgers and more, that combine to tell the story of Simcoe County's people, places, and development over time.

"Celebrating 60 years of the Simcoe County Archives is a great opportunity to reflect on the importance of preserving our shared history," said Warden Basil Clarke. "The Archives plays a critical role in safeguarding records that help us understand where we came from and helps inform decisions we make for the future."

Through modernization efforts and increased public outreach, the Archives ensures that historical records remain accessible for future generations while continuing to raise awareness about the importance of archival preservation.

For details on booking in-person appointments to visit the Archives, making donations and more, please visit [simcoe.ca/archives](http://simcoe.ca/archives).

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# Release

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## **Simcoe County expands multi-residential organics program with strong early uptake**

**Midhurst/June 10, 2026** – Since the announcement of the expansion of organics collection for multi-residential properties in 2025, the County of Simcoe has made significant early progress in bringing the program to more residents across the region.

The voluntary program, which is rolling out in phases throughout this spring and summer, is designed to extend organics diversion services to multi-residential buildings that have not previously had access to County-provided collection.

Building on the success of a 2024 pilot program, which included 15 properties and 615 units and demonstrated strong resident participation, the County is currently moving ahead with broader implementation to help close service gaps and support waste diversion goals.

Early results from the rollout show strong momentum. In the month of May, the County's Solid Waste Management staff onboarded 49 multi-residential properties, representing 1,959 units across Simcoe County. To support participation, staff delivered 13 on-site information sessions for residents and property managers.

Each participating unit receives a comprehensive organics starter kit, including a kitchen catcher (green bin), educational materials, compostable bags and a coupon.

Staff will continue to monitor participation and contamination rates at participating locations, while continuing to onboard additional properties as requests are received and interest grows.

To learn more, or to request participation, please visit [simcoe.ca/multiresorganics](https://simcoe.ca/multiresorganics).

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**From:** [Lacey McKay](#)  
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**Attachments:** newcomer-recognition-awards-criteria-2026.pdf (1.88 MB), Newcomer-Recognition-Awards-rules-and-regulations-2026.pdf (1.88 MB), French-newcomer-recognition-awards-criteria-2025.pdf (1.89 MB), French-Newcomer-Recognition-Awards-rules-and-regulations-2026.pdf (1 MB)

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You don't often get email from [khalida.qaderi@simcoe.ca](mailto:khalida.qaderi@simcoe.ca). [Learn why this is important](#)

Hello,

The Simcoe County Local Immigration Partnership is pleased to announce that nominations for the 2026 Newcomer Recognition Awards are now officially open. Please visit [our website](#) to access the online nomination form and to learn more about the award categories.

For your convenience, I have attached the Awards Criteria and Rules & Regulations documents. The submission deadline is **September 18, 2026**.

Please note that all information, documents, and the nomination form are also available in French on our website.

We kindly encourage you to share this information widely within your network.

Thank you, and we look forward to receiving your nomination(s).

Best regards,  
Khalida



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The Simcoe County Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) acknowledges that the County of Simcoe administration centre is situated on the traditional land of the Anishinabek people. The Anishinabek Nations on this land include the Odawa, Ojibwe, and Pottawatomi nations, collectively known as the Three Fires Confederacy. I acknowledge that I live and work on Treaty 16 territories.



Fourteenth Annual  
**NEWCOMER  
RECOGNITION**  
*awards*

## Award Criteria

The Newcomer Recognition Awards celebrates the contributions of immigrants living in Simcoe County and the businesses, organizations, and groups supporting enhanced opportunities for a growing and changing demography.

## Individual Awards

### Immigrant Mentor

An immigrant who has invested time and energy to support positive experiences for other immigrants in Simcoe County.

**Examples:** leadership in an ethnocultural group, using social media to connect local immigrants, organizing social activities.

### Inclusive Housing Practices

A property owner who demonstrates a commitment to providing safe and affordable housing for newcomers in Simcoe County.

**Examples:** Promoting available units through ethnocultural groups, adjusting rental application requirements for equitable access, and providing neighbourhood information to foster a sense of belonging.

### Service Excellence

A representative of a funded immigrant service delivery organization that exceeds their employment responsibilities to enhance client outcomes and opportunities.

**Examples:** Responding to community crisis situations, developing an innovative service delivery plan, and maximizing resources to create new immigrant programming.

### Small Business Owner

An immigrant who has achieved success in the development/operation of a new (less than five years) business or entrepreneurial venture in Simcoe County. **Examples:** innovative business model or programming, transfer of global experience to a Canadian venture, contribution to the economic development of Simcoe County.

## Educator Excellence

An exemplary Simcoe County educator who inspires and empowers learners by incorporating multiculturalism in one or more of the following:

- planning and/or policy development
- curriculum
- community relations
- organizational culture

**Examples:** providing a welcoming environment, celebrating diverse cultures, and connecting with newcomer families.

## Youth Community Champion

A youth 25 years of age or younger who strengthens community awareness about, and advocates for, newcomer equity and the celebration of cultural diversity in Simcoe County. **Examples:** Organizing cultural events, volunteering with newcomers, or participating on a local committee to improve outcomes for immigrant residents.

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# Business/Organization/Group Awards

## Ethnocultural Group

An ethnocultural and faith-based group who has invested time and energy to support positive experiences for immigrants in Simcoe County. **Examples:** leadership by helping immigrants settle in the community, organizing social activities, hosting multicultural celebration, sharing resources.

## Newcomer Inclusive Service Delivery

A business or organization that has implemented and marketed innovative programming that reflects the needs of immigrant residents. **Examples:** immigrant-specific initiatives, such as swimming for Muslim women, a summer camp for immigrant children, Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS) training in multiple languages.

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# Group or Individual Awards

## Immigrant Artist

An immigrant artist or group whose art has been recognized with a degree of excellence or with outputs considered to be of high quality. An artist or group who has positively impacted or contributed to the art of others and has positively promoted the immigrant experience. **Examples:** raises the profile of multicultural artists, active contributions to the arts community including volunteer arts involvement.





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## Rules and Regulations

### Entry Period

The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Award nomination period will be open until September 18, 2026.

### How to Enter

The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards are open to individuals, organizations and businesses based in Simcoe County (comprised of the 16 member municipalities and the two separated cities of Barrie and Orillia). Each nomination must be submitted separately. Nominations can be written in English or French. Incomplete forms may be considered ineligible for assessment. Rules of Entry must be accepted before an entry will be eligible for review.

Nomination forms must be received online at [www.simcoe.ca/residents/lip/newcomer-recognition-awards/](http://www.simcoe.ca/residents/lip/newcomer-recognition-awards/) by 11:59 p.m. on September 18, 2026, to be eligible for consideration. Hard copies will not be accepted.

A selection committee comprised of community leaders will carefully review all eligible submissions. Each entry will be assessed based on its alignment with the stated award criteria. The selection committee reserves the right to withhold an award in any category if, in the committee's opinion, no entry meets the necessary standards. The committee also reserves the right to disqualify an entry should it not meet the award criteria. The committee's decisions are final and no correspondence will be engaged.



## Rules

1. For the purpose of these awards, “immigrant” and “newcomer” are defined as a person who was born outside of Canada. Any foreign-born individual who resides in Simcoe County, regardless of immigration status, is eligible for awards in the immigrant categories.
2. By participating, each person submitting a nomination, nominee, and selected winner agree: (a) to be bound by these Rules and Regulations and the decisions of the Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Selection Committee; (b) to release and hold harmless The Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Selection Committee, its affiliates, subsidiaries, and independent contractors, and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives including advertising and promotion agencies, from any and all liability for claims/damages including, but not limited to, claims/damages for personal injury, for property damage with respect to acceptance, possession or use or misuse of the award, claims/damages related to participation in the Contest; (c) to permit the County of Simcoe to use his/her name, address, city, province of residence, photograph, video, or any likeness for advertising or publicity purposes without any additional compensation; and (d) each winner agrees to sign a Declaration and Release Form to this effect. The decisions of Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards Selection Committee in relation to this Contest will be final and binding on all entrants.
3. Should any conflict of interest arise between the members of the selection committee and a particular award, they will abstain from entering into discussion and remove themselves from the process for the award in question.
4. Anyone in receipt of funding from Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada or the Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development is ineligible to receive an award, with the exception of the Service Excellence Award.
5. The Simcoe County Local Immigration Partnership shall not be responsible for incorrect or inaccurate transcription or registration of Contest entry information, technical malfunctions, lost/delayed data transmission, omission, interruption, deletion defect, faulty, incomplete, incomprehensible, or erased computer or network transmissions, line failures of any telephone network, failure of computer equipment, software, inability to access any online service or website, inability to submit the online nomination form, or any other error or malfunction, or any injury or damage to entrant’s or any other person’s computer related to or resulting from participation or downloading any materials in the Contest, or for late, lost stolen, postage due, illegible or misdirected entries.
6. Nominees, nominators and references may be called prior to or after the evaluation of entries to confirm the nominee meets the eligibility details listed in the application form and the nominee may be disqualified if any statements are found to be false.
7. I acknowledge and accept the Rules and Regulations which govern participation in the Simcoe County Newcomer Recognition Awards and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations.

**Please acknowledge that you have read and accepted the rules and regulations on all online nomination submissions. If you have any questions or concerns about the rules, regulations, or nomination process, please contact [sclip@simcoe.ca](mailto:sclip@simcoe.ca).**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_



WEBINAR SERIES

# Smart Water Watch:

## Part 1: Bridging Citizen Science and Modern Technology to Protect Our Waters



DATE & TIME

June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2026 | 10:30AM - 12:00PM

### FEATURED SPEAKERS



**Stacey Cherwaty-Pergentile**

Program Officer, Great Lakes Ecosystem Management  
Canada Water Agency



**Georgia Fotopoulos**

Professor  
Queen's University



**Ryan O'Shea**

Lead Research Scientist  
SSAI / NASA Goddard Space Flight Center



**Emmanuel Boss**

Professor  
University of Maine

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