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Additional funding to support child care and early years sectors

The County of Simcoe will be receiving additional funding to support the child care and early years sector, which was not included in the original funding allocations presented to Council on March 26, 2024.

In addition to the funding allocations previously received from the Ministry of Education, the County of Simcoe will now receive an additional \$5,109,059 in funding. This new funding is intended to strategically build the child care workforce as well as provide additional support for the Canada-wide Early Learning and Child Care enrolled child care programs.



Week of Welcome - September 16-20

The County recommended to its member municipalities to host a municipal open house during Week of Welcome that will take place between September 16-20, 2024. These open houses are meant to showcase municipal services like police, fire, transit, parks, recreation, bylaws and planning to new residents.

Activities planned for Week of Welcome are designed to introduce newcomers to their local communities, improve their sense of belonging, and increase their social, economic, and political integration in Simcoe County.

Events planned for this year's Week of Welcome include a Regional Social Service Fair and Regional Job Fair at the Southshore Community Centre in Barrie, a virtual Immigrant Entrepreneur Panel, municipal houses hosted by those that choose to participate, and a Citizenship Ceremony at the County of Simcoe Administration Centre where newcomers can take their oath of Canadian Citizenship in council chambers.



40th annual Seniors Month

This June marks the 40th annual Seniors Month in Ontario. The theme for this year is "Working for Seniors", representing the recognition and celebration of accomplishments and milestones by our seniors. They have played a significant role in helping to build and shape our community with their hard work and contributions across the province.

To celebrate, the County's staff is focusing on programs and services that promote independent, active, and healthy engagement to meet the immediate needs of our seniors, so they can live their lives to the fullest. They are the pioneers of our society as we know it today, and it's crucial that we recognize and celebrate their lifetime achievements and contributions.



Workforce Connect Conference - June 18

The County of Simcoe Economic Development Office in collaboration with member municipalities and area partners is set to host the 2024 Workforce Connect Conference at the Snow Valley Ski Resort on Tuesday, June 18.

Like-minded business leaders, entrepreneurs and human resource professionals from across the County are expected to take part to gain valuable insights, explore workforce trends, network with industry leaders and share knowledge, advice and best practices.

View more details including how to sign up here.

Committee of the Whole Meeting Agenda - May 28, 2024

Council Meeting Agenda - June 11, 2024











