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Age-Friendly Initiative Update

In 2025, the County's Age-Friendly initiatives continued to advance significantly, with the Age-Friendly Housing Grant approving 93 applications supporting 112 accessibility-focused projects, the Municipal Grant Program approving three submissions totaling \$23,390, and the Business and

Individual Recognition Program honouring 13 businesses and seven community champions.

Ongoing collaboration with municipal and community partners continues to strengthen these initiatives, and preparations are underway for the 2026 program cycles.

To view the full report, please [click here](#).



County to review recycling collection for small businesses and organizations

Council supported a motion calling on the Province to expand recycling collection to include small businesses and community organizations in the County.

Council directed the County's Solid Waste Management staff to report back on whether the County could independently provide recycling collection to these users, acknowledging that doing so would require the County to cover potentially significant costs for transfer, haulage and processing.

To view the letter sent to the Province, please [click here](#).



Rural intersection enhanced lighting in Bradford West Gwillimbury

Council received a resolution requesting enhanced lighting at rural intersections in the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury to improve road safety, noting that several of these intersections fall under County jurisdiction. It called for the County to consider installing improved lighting at rural intersections.

County staff will meet and collaborate with Town staff to identify priority intersections and report back to Council on its findings and recommendations in the near future, with the goal of keeping consistent standards across all County roads.

To view the full resolution brought forward, please [click here](#).



2026 Borrowing by-law

Council authorized the Borrowing By-law that permits the County to temporarily borrow on its line of credit throughout the year as needed to meet current payment obligations until taxes and other revenues are received.

As allowed under the Municipal Act, this By-law enables the County to secure short-term borrowing for operating cash flow and is also required for any additional debt necessary to support infrastructure projects.

To view the full report, please [click here](#).



Paramedic Services Honour Guard Update

In 2025, the Honour Guard participated in 21 events ranging from local celebrations and memorial ceremonies to national and international responses honouring fallen emergency service personnel.

Supported through volunteer fundraising and a modest annual County contribution, the Honour Guard continues to strengthen its organizational structure while serving as an important ambassador for Paramedic Services, the County, and the broader emergency services community.

To view the full report, please [click here](#).



Warden proclaims February as Black History Month across Simcoe County

County of Simcoe Warden Basil Clarke has proclaimed February 1 to 28, 2026 as Black History Month across our community and encourages residents to engage in educational activities that honour the significant contributions of Black individuals, both past and present, in shaping Simcoe County and its values.

The County of Simcoe is proud to support this initiative in various ways. To learn more, please [click here](#).

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