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Federal Matters

Sharing information about the Fund's local impact benefits everyone. Visit "[What's New](#)" to learn more about the importance of communications in the new federal Gas Tax Fund Agreement.

Eye on AMO/LAS Events

AMO's [Council Challenges](#) workshop asks the question "Are you ready for...?" and will cover topics related to anti-spam legislation, lame duck council provisions, preparing for the challenges for the year ahead and much more. Learn more and register today.

How does art and culture contribute to a healthy community and economy? Jeff Melanson, President of the Banff Centre, will present at the [AMO Urban Symposium](#) (April 3 & 4) on what it takes to Plan a Creative City. Learn more about the program and register today.

The agenda at the [AMO Annual Conference](#) continues to grow! With three keynotes previously announced, AMO is pleased to announce the addition of Nik Nanos, famed Canadian public opinion pollster, to the program. Learn more about what's on the agenda and register today.

Attend one of our [seven NO-COST town hall](#) sessions to learn about LAS' no-cost energy consulting service, streetlight upgrade program, and 3 energy procurement opportunities that can help you address rising energy commodity costs in your organization.

The [LAS/MFOA Asset Management Symposium](#) is for municipal staff and elected officials with an interest in their organization's asset management program. Attendees will learn about the importance of asset management, the components of successful plans, leading case studies, and also policy considerations.

Municipal Matters *

The [Township of North York](#) is the first of the 37 municipalities in the Greater Toronto Area to be...

decisions of its Ombudsman regarding the application of his "working definition" of what constitutes a meeting.

The City of Peterborough resolution endorses the FCM housing campaign and urges the Minister of Employment and Social Development to develop a long-term plan for housing.

Career opportunities

Administrative Coordinator - Western Ontario Wardens' Caucus. Two year contract. Please apply before 12 noon, March 21, 2014 to: Executive Assistant, Office of the CAO, County of Lambton. Email: administration@county-lambton.on.ca; Fax: 519.845.3160.

Executive Director, Human Resources - City of Brampton. Please forward your résumé and covering letter, quoting Project #BEDHR0214, to resumes@promeus.ca by March 31, 2014.

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