

MUNICIPAL INTERNET POSTINGS DO NOT WORK

In an age of misinformation and shrinking newsrooms, your support for credible journalism has never mattered more.

According to the 2024 Digital News Reports by the Reuters Institute, 52% of Canadians say they're willing to pay for trusted news - yet only 15% actually do.

This gap threatens... the sustainability of local news organizations like ours who work every day to report with integrity, accountability, and a deep connection to our community.

Other countries are stepping up:
Norway: 40% pay for news
Sweden: 31% pay for news
Australia: 21% pay for news
Finland: 20% pay for news
Even United States out performs Canada's support of journalism, with 22% of readers who pay for news.
Canada shouldn't fall behind
Local journalism keeps communities informed, connected, united and empowered. It shines a light on the issues that matter most - your schools, your streets, your stories.

By subscribing, you're not just getting access to trusted local news - you're helping preserve a vital public service.

CHOOSE TRUTH

CHOOSE FACTS

CHOOSE LOCAL JOURNALISM

Municipalities have opted for online posting with catastrophic failure. Every week you are missing out on important local information that affect your daily life.

Municipalities are forcing taxpayers to go on line. Taxpayers are not responding due to a series of realities:

- Cost of Internet
- Cost of purchasing computer/cell phone.
- Lack of knowledge on use of technology.
- Complex web pages full of pop-ups.
- Lack of time to sit in front of a computer.
- Internet is infested with all kinds of algorithms that track you.
- Internet is very specific and not broad enough for public.

By supporting your local newspaper you are uniting the community around a trusted local news source.
Your support, supports local businesses and creates an atmosphere of community. Your support sends a real message to your municipality that you demand arms length accountability.

Your local newspaper is written and published by journalist that live and work in the community. Community members that you can trust.
Today, even major network news sources have fallen to bias reporting due to political interests.
Your local community newspaper is different. Your local journalist bring you articles that matter to you and your family.
Demand that your municipality publish in your local paper.

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ONE FARE EXTENDED FOR TWO YEARS

The Ontario government is extending the One Fare program for an additional two years to continue keeping transit costs down for riders. Since launching in 2024, One Fare has saved Ontarians nearly \$200 million and enabled nearly 62 million free transfers across participating transit agencies, according to the province.
“We’re extending the elimination of double fares through One Fare to make transit more affordable and convenient, saving commuters up to \$1,600 each year,” said Prabmeet Sarkaria, Ontario Minister of Transportation.

The One Fare program lets transit riders pay only once when transferring between the Toronto Transit Commission (TTC) and GO Transit or Durham Region Transit.
“This program extension is great news for Durham Region residents. It makes traveling across different transit systems—whether commuting to work, heading to school, or visiting friends and family—more seamless and affordable. One Fare connects communities, reduces barriers and makes everyday travel easier. This program reflects the Ontario government’s commitment to improving transit options

for residents in Durham Region and beyond,” said John Henry, Regional Chair and CEO.
Transit riders can use a physical or digital Presto card, debit card or credit card to access One Fare by tapping on and off with the same card for the full trip.
Transfers are valid for two hours when a trip starts on local transit and for three hours when a trip starts on GO Transit.
Durham’s regional council approved a fare hike for the Durham Region Transit service making Durham’s one-way adult fare among the highest in Canada. Effective July 2026, the rate

for a one-way adult ride is increasing by 2.1 per cent, from \$4.75 to \$4.85.
The discounted Presto fare is receiving a sharper increase of three per cent, from \$3.73 to \$3.84. The price of a monthly pass is increasing at the same rate as the Presto fare, from \$134.28 to \$138.24.
Four councillors opposed the increase, which passed with a majority vote. These included Coun. Brian Nicholson of Oshawa, who noted that for his nearly 50,000 constituents, many of whom are low-income, there is only one transit route and no proposed expansions for the ward.



“You could eliminate transit in my ward and nobody would notice,” Nicholson said to council. “I have a hard time saying we’re going to keep raising rates when we aren’t increasing service.”
Poor planning and routes are to blame for the lack of ridership in some areas across Durham.
Many of the routes are

either obsolete or way out of the way to walk.
One of the big arguments has been that people need to drive to the bus station and this is just not acceptable.
The increase will hit harder on those less fortunate. Seniors and students and those on fixed or no income.



Keeping our community warm: winter support for those without shelter

Whitby, Ontario – As temperatures drop, health risks increase for people experiencing homelessness. Cold exposure can cause frostbite, hypothermia and trench foot, and can make existing health problems—like heart and lung disease—worse.
To help protect people without a place to stay, the Region of Durham has a Winter Warming Plan. From December 1, 2025, to March 31, 2026, there are warming locations open across Durham region. Transportation support is available through the Durham Region Outreach

Team for residents who need help accessing a shelter or a warming location during this time.
The Region of Durham strives to support the health and safety of all residents, which includes providing warmth and shelter during the coldest months.
This winter season, Regional Headquarters at 605 Rossland Road East, Whitby, will serve as a warming location. For a complete list of warming locations, visit durham.ca/WinterWarming. Please refer back to this page for updates, as locations and times may

change.
The Region of Durham is the Service System Manager of homelessness in our community. In this role, the Region helps establish policies that promote affordable housing development; creates local housing and homelessness plans; contributes and coordinates housing funding; develops and administers housing and homelessness programs; manages social housing; and reports on progress.
An external service provider will operate the warming centre at Regional Headquarters.

Residents who provide consent are added to a By-Name List, which is a list of people experiencing homelessness; individuals added to this list are then connected with supports to help secure permanent housing. More than 1,000 people are on the By-Name List in Durham region.
Homelessness is a complex issue that cannot be solved through quick fixes or isolated efforts. Only through the collective action of local government, health services, By-law and the community can we create lasting change.