



Regional Report

September 2019



- National initiative to end chronic homelessness in Canada.
- It offers a structured and supportive approach to help municipalities address homelessness.
- Niagara was 1 of 9 successful applicants.
- Based on a successful US program.
- Focus is on real time data.



- May 30, 2017 - Safer School Zones Act authorized Municipalities to use photo radar.
- Serious injury collisions increased by 9.31% over 2015 recorded statistics.
- Statistical analysis of 2016 ranked Niagara Region 20% higher in the number of collisions than similar jurisdictions within Ontario.
- 2,648 traffic collisions on Niagara Regional roads in 2017.
- 17 collisions resulted in traffic fatalities.
- 324 in serious injuries.



- Niagara's Smoke and vape-Free Outdoor Spaces By-Law now in effect.
- bylaw now prohibits tobacco, cannabis and vaping products from being smoked or vaped in several public spaces in the Niagara region, including:
 - Beaches (new)
 - Recreation trails (new)
 - Within nine metres of an entrance or exit of a publicly accessible place, building or workplace (new)



- Full Board will come into effect in October.
- 3 Regional Councilors were added to the committee effective July 18.
- Gayle Wood granted contract extension to December 31, 2019.
- July 22nd Climate Emergency declared.
- 2019 Flood Plan put forward by staff.



- July Presentation made to PECDEV by the Tourism Partnership of Niagara.
- Non-profit organization funded by the Ontario Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport.
- One of 13 Regional Tourism Organization in Ontario.
- Partnership with economic development departments and officers.
- Pelham is not using their services.
- Opportunity to develop a tourism strategy.