



## Brockton Buzz Newsletter – September 2024 Issue

View this issue and past issues of the Brockton Buzz Monthly Newsletter on our website at [Brockton.ca/Buzz](https://Brockton.ca/Buzz).

### Council Vacancy – Applications Being Accepted for Councillor Position

A vacancy exists on the Municipality of Brockton Council for one (1) Councillor. Council will fill this vacancy by appointment in accordance with the Council Vacancy Replacement Procedure Policy. The term of this position is from the date of Council appointment (October 1, 2024) until the swearing in of the next Council after the 2026 Municipal and School Board Election. To be considered for appointment, individuals must meet the following qualifications as outlined in the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996*, as amended:

- Resides in or be the owner or tenant of land in the Municipality of Brockton, or the spouse of such owner or tenant;
- Is a Canadian citizen;
- Is at least 18 years old; and
- Is not prohibited from voting under Section 17(3) of the *Municipal Elections Act, 1996* or otherwise by law.



Interested individuals must complete a Council Vacancy Application Form (Nomination Form)/Declaration of Qualification, and a Freedom of Information (FOI) Release Form, and submit in person at the Clerk's Office. Nominations will be accepted by the Clerk's Office during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday) until September 16, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. A candidate may withdraw their nomination by filing a written withdrawal in-person with the Clerk's Office by 2:00 p.m. on September 19, 2024.

Candidate(s) shall also submit to the Clerk, a personal statement of qualification for consideration of Council. Personal statements will be typewritten on letter size (8 ½" x 11") paper, shall not exceed two (2) pages (one-sided only) in length, and will include the Candidate(s) name and address. Statements that do not meet these requirements shall not be included in any Council Meeting Agenda, or be provided to Council by the Clerk.

Certified registered Candidates will be afforded the opportunity to address Council for a period of not more than ten (10) minutes and may be asked questions by Council during a Special Council Meeting to be held on October 1, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Bruce County Administration Building located at 30 Park Street in Walkerton, Ontario.

Visit [Brockton.ca/CouncilVacancy](https://Brockton.ca/CouncilVacancy) for more information on the Council Vacancy process.

### Accessibility Education Workshop – September 11, 2024

Julie Sawchuk of Sawchuk Accessible Solutions is hosting an Accessibility Education Workshop on Wednesday, September 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Best Western Hotel and Conference Centre in Walkerton. The Municipality of Brockton and Accessibility Advisory Committee invite members of the public, business owners, and service clubs to attend the educational workshop to learn more about how we can create accessible spaces to honour the needs of everyone.



### Bruce County Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Bruce County has released their **2024 Bruce County Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule**. Residents of Bruce County are welcome to attend any of the locations to drop off household hazardous waste. Household Hazardous Waste will be collected in Brockton on September 14, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Bruce County Transportation Yard – 94 Bruce Road 2, Walkerton.

### Tax Installment Due Dates – September 30, 2024 and November 29, 2024

Any payment received in our office after the due date will be considered late and any outstanding taxes will be subject to penalty and interest charges as per the Municipal Act. Please allow 2 to 3 days for processing if you are paying through your financial institution's online banking system. Visit [Brockton.ca/Taxes](https://Brockton.ca/Taxes) for more information.

### Development Charges Study

The Municipality of Brockton is undergoing a Development Charges Study. The first step in the process was preparing a development charges background study as set out in the Development Charges Act, 1997, as amended. Development Charges are charges that are paid by a developer of land in relation to the number of residential units or commercial/industrial square footage being constructed. This charge is used to put towards the infrastructure expenditures that will be incurred due to the growth of the community. The idea behind Development Charges is that growth pays for growth. The funds collected from development charges will be used for any applicable growth related projects. Development charges do not pay for operating costs or infrastructure renewals.



## Development Charges Study (Continued)

The Development Charges Background Study was presented to Council on August 13, 2024, and is available to view on our website.

The Municipality of Brockton is holding a public meeting on Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the Bruce County Council Chambers to discuss implementing a Development Charges By-Law. This By-law will set out the new development charge rates. Visit [Brockton.ca/DevelopmentCharges](http://Brockton.ca/DevelopmentCharges) or the [Development Charges project on Build Your Brockton](#) to learn more.

## Vendor Licensing Feedback

The Municipality of Brockton issues licenses for individuals and businesses wishing to sell goods and services within Brockton. There are two types of licenses currently issued: Transient Trader Licenses or Outdoor Vending/Refreshment Vehicle Licenses, which are governed under two different By-Laws. The Municipality is looking for feedback on vendor licensing regime as we look to amend these outdated By-Laws to provide more clarity for vendors. The anonymous survey, and guestbook will be available until September 30, 2024 at 11:59 p.m. Visit the [Vendor Licensing Feedback project on Build Your Brockton](#) to learn more.



## Brockton's Community Engagement Website



The Municipality of Brockton reminds you to register to get involved on our community engagement website, [buildyourbrockton.ca](http://buildyourbrockton.ca)! This community engagement website invites feedback from the community on various projects such as Vendor Licensing Feedback, Dog Park Feedback, Tennis Court Rehabilitation, Development Charges Study, and more! Share your feedback and learn more about what's happening in your community.

## Upcoming Recreation Programs and Events:

Fall Fitness Program Registration is now open! : Please visit [Brockton.ca/Programs](http://Brockton.ca/Programs) for details on upcoming programs including Chair Yoga, Gentle Yoga, Gentle Fitness, Zumba Gold, SPIN, Total Body Sculpt, The Indoor Walking Program and more!

Indoor Pickleball has returned to the Cargill Community Centre every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30am – 12:00pm (Blackout Dates listed online). This is a Drop-in program; registration is not required, and please bring cash.

Babysitting Course: Friday, September 27, 2024 (PA Day) from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Fire Hall. This course is aimed at youth ages 11-14. Please register online at [Brockton.ca/Programs](http://Brockton.ca/Programs).

Stemotics: This 4 week program is aimed at children who are interested in Lego and Robotics. Thank you to the *Early Investment in Education and Skills* grant, that helps keep the cost of this program low!

PA Day Camp Programs are back! For upcoming PA Days and school breaks, Brockton has you covered with a line-up of exciting camps to be offered this Fall, Winter and Spring! Please register online at [Brockton.ca/Programs](http://Brockton.ca/Programs) - Youth Programs (limited space available).

Brockton's Ice Season has Returned! Please visit [Brockton.ca/Skating](http://Brockton.ca/Skating) for general information regarding Brockton's Public Skating, Descriptions, Sponsorship and more!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		Huff and Puff Hockey 9:30-10:20am				
	Parent and Tot Skate 11am-11:50am		Parent and Tot Skate 11am-11:50am			
Noon Skate 12-12:50pm	Noon Skate 12-12:50pm	Noon Skate 12-12:50pm	Noon Skate 12-12:50pm	Noon Skate 12-12:50pm		
		Senior Skate 1-1:50pm		Senior Skate 1-1:50pm		Public Skate 1-1:50pm
		Public Skate 3:30-5pm		Public Skate 7-8:50pm <small>*Occasionally, specific dates listed online*</small>		

Be sure to follow the Municipality of Brockton on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#), for all future updates!





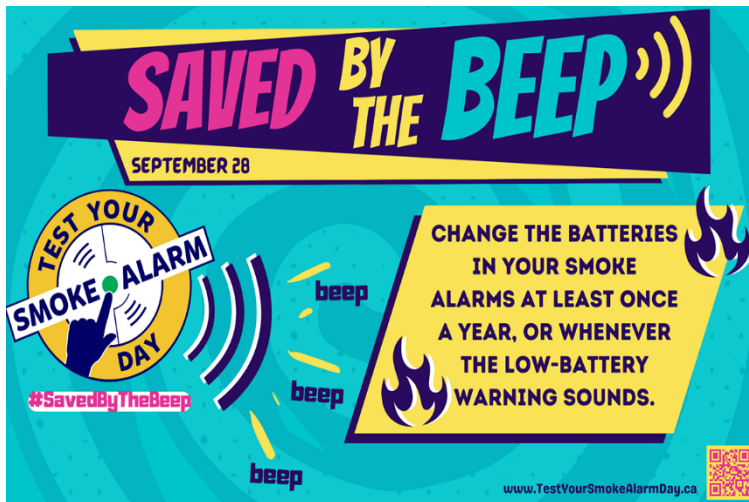
## Brockton Dollars

Brockton Dollars gift certificates are redeemable at participating stores, restaurants, and other commercial establishments in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50. They can be purchased from the Municipal Office at 100 Scott Street from Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., or ordered in bulk through email. Businesses may redeem Brockton Dollars at the Municipal Office. Visit [Brockton.ca/BrocktonDollars](https://Brockton.ca/BrocktonDollars) to learn more. If you're a Brockton retailer, service provider, or restaurant wishing to join the program, please [email our Community Development Coordinator](#).



## Employment Opportunities

If you are passionate about providing the very best services in a municipal environment and are looking for a place to challenge yourself and grow, we want you on our team! Visit our Careers webpage for current employment opportunities: [Brockton.ca/Jobs](https://Brockton.ca/Jobs)



## Subscribe to Brockton News/Alerts, Follow Our Social Media, and Download our App




Visit [Brockton.ca/Subscribe](https://Brockton.ca/Subscribe) to sign up and receive Brockton News, Calendar Events, and Emergency Alerts sent directly to your email. We also encourage residents to follow us on social media for regular updates! You can also download the Municipal App "Municipality of Brockton" created by Apptic Studios Inc. from [Android](#) or [Apple](#) app stores! The App features our top searched content divided into categories: Community, Contact Us, Council, E-Services, News, Waste, readily available on your cellphone!

 Facebook – [BrocktonON](#)
 Instagram – [municipalitybrockton](#)
 Twitter – [Mun\\_Brockton](#)  
 LinkedIn – [Municipality of Brockton](#)
 YouTube – [Municipality of Brockton](#)

## Add Your Events to Brockton's Community Calendar

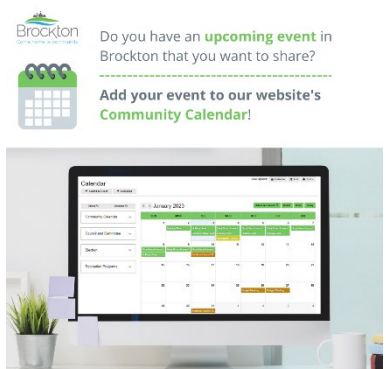
Make sure your 2024 events are featured on Brockton's free Community Calendar! Your event must be organized by a non-profit, or community organization and be held within Brockton.

The steps to adding your event are simple:

-  Visit [calendar.brockton.ca](https://calendar.brockton.ca) and click on [Submit an Event](#).
-  Login if you have an account, or create one if it's your first time adding an event.
-  Add in your events, edit, and update your events from there

It's that simple! Each event is reviewed and approved before being added to the calendar, so it won't appear right away. Once your event is on the calendar, we may help spread the word through the Brockton Buzz newsletter, and social media.

If you're having any troubles, please let us know by calling 519-881-2223 or emailing [web@brockton.ca](mailto:web@brockton.ca).



## Community Events

Brockton is where generations of people come together to play, celebrate and enjoy life. Visit [Brockton.ca/Events](https://Brockton.ca/Events) to learn more about events happening in our community!

- **Saugeen Hospice Inc. Annual Information Night**

Saugeen Hospice Inc. are hosting an Annual information Night on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Best Western Hotel and Conference Centre, Walkerton. Doors open at 6:15 p.m. Get the latest updates on the building design, costs, upcoming fundraising campaign, Ministry of Health approvals, and more. Meet the Board of Directors and participate in the Annual General Meeting. RSVP by email or call 519-507-2273. Zoom link available upon request. An RSVP is appreciated but not required. Light refreshments will be available.





## Community Events (Continued)

### • **Run4Health**

Run4Health returns to Walkerton on Sunday, September 22, 2024. Register for the 1k family walk/run, 5k walk, 5k run, 10k run or half marathon at [www.run4health.ca](http://www.run4health.ca). All proceeds benefit the Walkerton and District Hospital Foundation. For more information call 519-881-0441.

### • **Walkerton Kinsmen Club Annual Golf Tournament**

Join the Walkerton Kinsmen Club for their annual golf tournament on Sunday, September 22, 2024. Tee times begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Walkerton Golf and Curling Club. \$75 per person (\$300 per foursome) includes 9 holes, cart, lunch and prizes. Sponsor a hole for \$100. To register or sponsor contact John Vance by [email](mailto:john.vance@walkertonks.com) or call 519-889-1251.

### • **Chepstow Lions Walk to Dog Guides**

The Chepstow Lions Club are hosting a Walk for Dog Guides on Sunday, September 22, 2024 from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Chepstow Lions Park (464 Chepstow Road). Contact Paul Zister by [email](mailto:paul.zister@chepstowlions.com) or call 519-366-9913 for more information.

### • **Sacred Heart Parish C.W.L. Fish Fry**

The Sacred Heart Parish C.W.L. are hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, September 27, 2024 from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish (111 Victoria Street, Walkerton). Tickets are \$25 and available at Brown's Pharmacy, Pellow Pharmasave, Holst Office Supplies and Sacred Heart Parish Office.

### • **Walkerton Little Royal Fair Autumn Decorating Contest**

The Walkerton Agricultural Society are sponsoring the Walkerton Little Royal Fair Autumn Decorating Contest 2024. Decorate your front doorstep/porch! There are 3 categories: rural, town, and business. Be creative and festive with the fall season and the beautiful colours and décor. Rules: Participants must live in Brockton, one entry per household, no Halloween theme/decorations, displays must include a Little Royal Fair sign which will be provided, register by September 27, 2024, judging will occur October 12, 2024. How to Register: Contact Krista by [email](mailto:krista@walkertonagri.com) or 519-994-0639 with your name, address, cell and home phone number, specify which category you will be entering. Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> Prize \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$75, 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$50, each participant will receive a thank you gift.

### • **Doors Open Brockton**

Doors Open Brockton is occurring on Saturday, September 28, 2024 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. featuring 12 historic and unique sites in Brockton. Visitors can tour the participating sites for free.



**Doors Open Ontario** is a program of the **Ontario Heritage Trust**, with funding support from the **Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport**. The following 12 sites are going to be featured on Doors Open Brockton on September 28, 2024 open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with one exception: Brockton Heritage Committee Archives, Bruce County Bookstore, Bruce County Walkerton Patrol Shop, Cargill Museum, Flach Family Homestead, Hammond Power Solutions Inc., Saugeen Masonic Lodge, St. Paul's United Church, Walkerton Agricultural Society, Walkerton Clean Water Centre, Walkerton Jail (Jail open from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.), and Victoria Jubilee Hall. Visit [Brockton.ca/DoorsOpen](http://Brockton.ca/DoorsOpen) to learn more.

### • **Gotta Have a Dream Musical Fundraiser for Saugeen Hospice**

Kelly Walker has teamed up with the talented Breanne Dietrich, Andrea Kasap, and Andrew Strader to provide an afternoon of memorable entertainment on Sunday, September 29, 2024 at Victoria Jubilee Hall (111 Jackson St. S., Walkerton) from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Doors open at 1:15 p.m. All proceeds will go to Saugeen Hospice. Tickets are [available online](http://www.gotta-have-a-dream.com). Contact Victoria Jubilee Hall by [email](mailto:info@vjh.org) or call 519-881-2826 for more information.

### • **Bruce County Public Library Special Events and Monthly Happenings**



#### Special Events:

- ◆ Resume Workshop on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ Culture Days Program: Spice it Up! – Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ "Ru" Movie Matinee on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch. Join as we head into National Day for Truth and Reconciliation.
- ◆ P.A. Da Big Apple Art on September 27, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at the Cargill Branch, and 2:30 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch for Ages 5-12.
- ◆ Learn and Practice English with YMCA Grey Bruce Settlement and Language Services on Mondays at 11:00 a.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ Fraud Seminar with Meridian Credit Union and South Bruce O.P.P. Detachment on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. at the Walkerton Branch – Be educated on fraud and scams to protect yourself from financial loss and stress.

#### Monthly Happenings:

- ◆ Story Time (Ages 0-4) on Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ Needle Arts on Thursday, September 5 and 19 2024 from 12:30-2:00 p.m. at the Cargill Branch
- ◆ Teen Café (Ages 14-18) on Thursday, September 12, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ Tween Club (Ages 9-13) on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch
- ◆ Adult Connect and Create on Thursday, October 3, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. at the Walkerton Branch