

5 Things Friday



What your government did for you this week.

Pilkington Glass of Canada

Ontario is partnering with Pilkington Glass of Canada Ltd. To help them invest in new technologies and grow their business, creating 58 jobs and retaining 237 positions. Pilkington Glass of Canada manufactures windshields for the automotive industry. With support from the Southwestern Ontario Development Fund, the company will add new lamination and assembly lines to its production facility in Collingwood. This will help Pilkington produce up to 2.6 million windshields per year.



Ontario's new Municipal GHG Challenge Fund

Ontario is investing in local projects that will help to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) pollution by launching a new program for municipalities across the province. Ontario's new Municipal GHG Challenge Fund will support projects, such as renewable energy and energy efficient retrofits to municipal facilities and making energy-efficiency upgrades to drinking water or wastewater treatment plants.



Canada Summer Games

Ontario athletes topped the medal standings at the 2017 CANADA Summer Games, bringing home 212 medals. Team Ontario's athletes are returning home with the 87 gold, 65 silver and 60 bronze medals, including many record breaking performances. Amateur sports plays an important role in strengthening our communities and inspiring people in Ontario to live an active lifestyle. Ontario provides year-round support to high performance athletes to help with the costs of living, training, equipment, coaching and travel to competitions.



Electric School Bus Program

As part of Ontario's Climate Change Action Plan, Ontario is investing in a new Electric School Bus Pilot Program designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions while giving students a safe, clean transit option to and from school. School bus operators providing student transportation services in Ontario may apply for funding to purchase electric school bus and associated charging infrastructure. Applicants will be chosen based on their experience in student transportation, ability to successfully deliver a pilot project, as well as their location in Ontario, type of route services and the size of their school bus fleet. This initiative is funded by proceeds from Ontario's carbon market, which are invested into programs that help households and businesses reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save money on energy costs, including home energy retrofits, public transit, social housing retrofits and electric vehicle incentives and infrastructure.



Employer Job Offer In-Demand Skills Stream

The Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (ONIP) has launched an Employer Job Offer In-Demand Skills Stream to assist employers with acquiring talent they need to continue to grow their business. This pilot project complements existing OINP streams that attract highly-skilled workers to the province and help boost Ontario's economy. To find out more, please visit http://www.ontarioimmigration.ca/en/pnp/OI_PNPQUESTIONS.html#_about_.