

2018-2028

Peel Poverty Reduction Strategy: Community Action



Awareness. Inclusion.
Access. Opportunity.

PEEL POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGY 2018 - 2028

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Town of Caledon

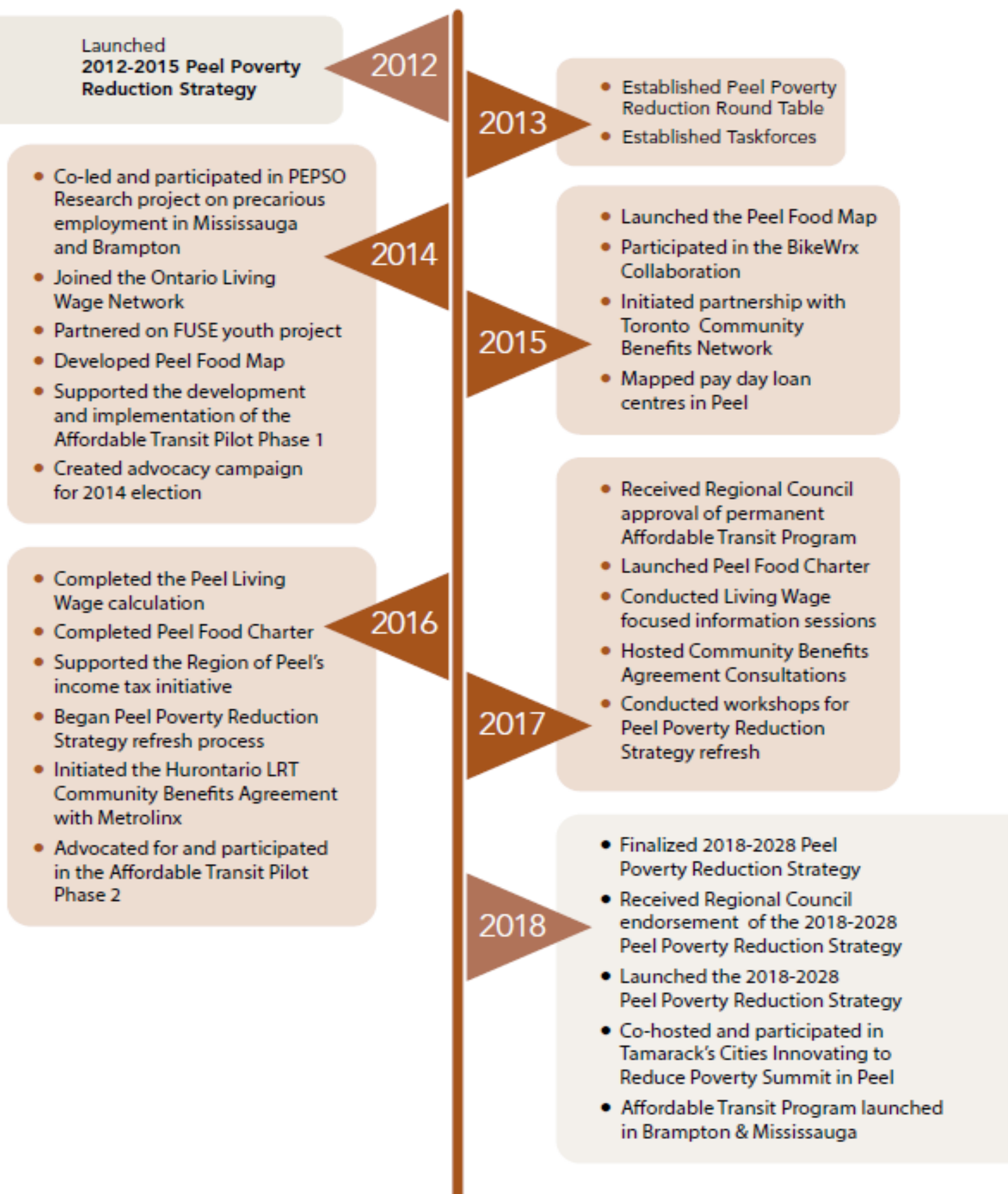
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Peel Poverty Reduction Committee

Acknowledgment

- ACORN Peel
- Bramalea Community Health Centre
- Building up our Neighborhood
- Boys & Girls Club of Peel
- Caledon Community Services
- Canadian Mental Health Association
- Catholic Family Services of Peel
- City of Brampton
- City of Mississauga
- Community Environment Alliance
- Community Foundation of Mississauga
- Councillor Medeiros
- Diocese of Toronto (Anglican)
- Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board
- EcoSource
- Eden Community Food Bank
- Erin Mills Youth Centre
- Family Services of Peel
- Food Secure Communities
- Good Food Brampton
- Habitat for Humanity GTA
- Karma Grow
- Knights Table
- Mississauga Community Legal Services
- Mississauga Parent Child Resources Centre
- MP Sven Spengemann
- North Peel & Dufferin Community Legal Services
- Ontario Disability Support Program Advisory Group
- Our Place Peel
- Peel Agricultural Advisory Working Group
- Peel Alliance to End Homelessness
- Peel Children's Aid Society
- Peel District School Board
- Peel District Labour Council
- Peel Newcomer Strategy Group
- Peel Poverty Action Group
- Peel Public Health
- Peel Region Group - Sierra Club Canada
- Punjabi Community Health Services
- Regional Diversity Roundtable
- Region of Peel
- Residents
- Riverwood Conservancy
- Sai Dham Food Bank
- Seva Food Bank
- Social Planning Council of Peel
- Supportive Housing in Peel
- The Mississauga Fruit Tree
- Tough Times Newspaper
- Town of Caledon
- United Way Greater Toronto
- Various residents
- Vita Centre

Peel Poverty Reduction Committee Timeline



Our Journey

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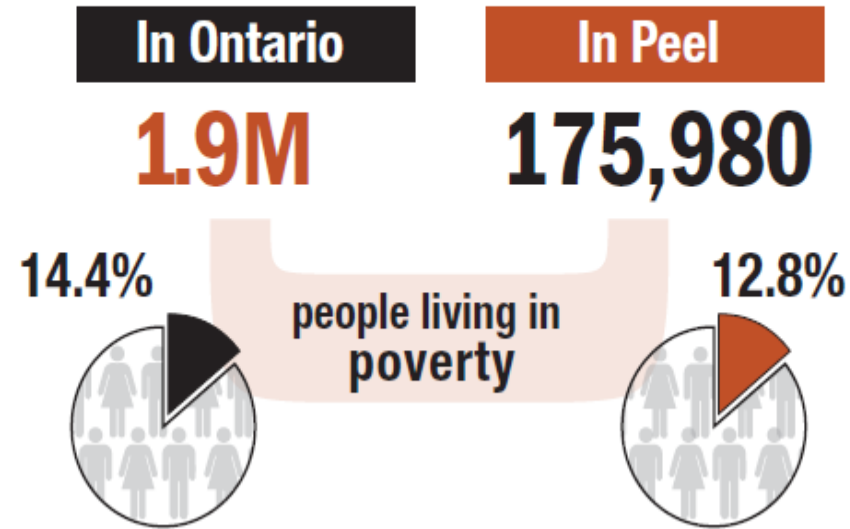
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Vision: The Peel Region is a livable community for all individuals and families.

Mission: To create a Peel community where everyone works together to build a poverty free future.

Why is this Work Important?

INCOME



EMPLOYMENT

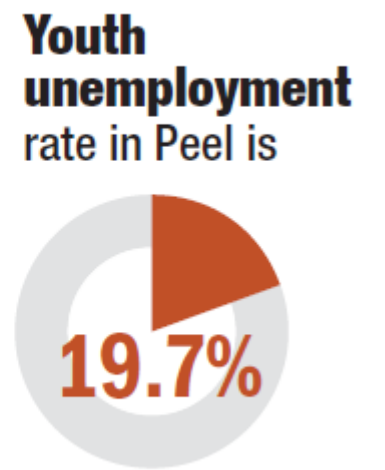
Monthly **social assistance entitlement** for a single individual is **\$721**

Average monthly **Ontario Works (OW)** households **18,678**

26,750 persons receive **Ontario Disability Support Program (ODSP)** benefit



Unemployment rate in Peel is **8.2%** ...higher than Ontario's **7.4%**



In Peel

18% of children 0-17 live in poverty



16% of racialized communities (visible minority) live in poverty

HOUSING

13.9% tenant households live in **subsidized housing**



The wait for a housing subsidy in Peel may be several years.

FOOD

The cost to feed a family of four per week in Peel

\$197 in 2016



14% of Peel's households experience marginal, moderate or severe food insecurity

Our Bold Statement

“Access to safe, affordable, and accessible housing; access to affordable and accessible transportation; access to sufficient, affordable, and nutritious food; and access to health care and education are basic human rights. We acknowledge that systemic barriers and discrimination can cause marginalized, racialized, immigrant and newcomer communities to be disproportionately affected by poverty. We must work together as a community if poverty is to be eliminated in Peel.”

Priority Areas

- **Income Security**
- **Economic Opportunities**
- **Wellbeing and Social Inclusion:**
 - ❖ Safe, affordable and accessible housing
 - ❖ Safe, affordable, flexible childcare
 - ❖ Affordable, accessible and connected transportation
 - ❖ Physical, social and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food
 - ❖ Integrated programs, services and supports that meet the needs of Peel residents

3 Priority Areas & Goals



Priority Areas	Goals
Economic Opportunity	Stable, non-precarious employment opportunities Reduced systemic barriers, including inequitable access to stable non-precarious employment and good quality education for marginalized and equity seeking groups

Next Steps

Implementation of 2019 priorities

In Closing

We are seeking Town of Caledon's endorsement and support of the 2018-2028 Peel Poverty Reduction Strategy.