

Press Release: SAFE COMMUNITIES GUELPH-ERAMOSIA TOWNSHIP Is Born

In June of 2013, Wellington County was designated a Safe Community (<http://wellington.safecommunities.parachutecanada.org/>) and joined 63 other Canadian communities committing to a safer life for all of its citizens. The official designation of a municipality as a Safe Community indicates a publicly articulated commitment to work towards a safer locality for all. It is not an end point, but rather, the beginning of a concerted effort to make injury prevention and safety promotion a top community priority with tangible results, ultimately creating safer places where citizens can live, work and play.

On March 31st of this year, Safe Communities Guelph-Eramosa Township was created as a local committee of the Wellington County group. Other local committees include Puslinch COPS, Erin COPS, Mapleton Safe Communities, Minto Safe Communities and Wellington North Safe Communities.

These groups offer a focused service for our local communities and surrounding rural areas, to address perceived and unfulfilled safety needs, and more importantly, to focus preventive attention upon the top three priorities identified within the County for personal injuries; specifically falls, motor vehicle collisions and intentional self harm. With time, other local concerns may also be looked at including, crime and other injuries, home/vehicle security, health, accessibility, awareness and respect issues.

Safe Communities Guelph Eramosa is looking for concerned citizens, to join together with representatives from our local government, public health, police, fire, emergency services, educational institutions, local businesses, health and safety organizations to work as a team towards a safer and better community for all.

Please contact Mr. Robbin Wood (519-835-6994) (jrobbinwood@gmail.com), Acting Chairperson of the Safe Communities Guelph-Eramosa Township committee, for more information on how you can play a part.

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