



Creating a Youth-Friendly Windsor-Essex

A PRESENTATION BY

THE YOUTH COUNCIL COALITION OF CANADA
(YCC)

What is the YCC?

The Youth Council Coalition of Canada is a not-for-profit that works to foster the development, success and influence of Canadian youth councils by determining areas of improvement and creating resources as well as networking and learning opportunities with the support of community partners and organisations.



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What is a youth council?

“Youth advisory [or action] committees are official committees that report to municipal council.

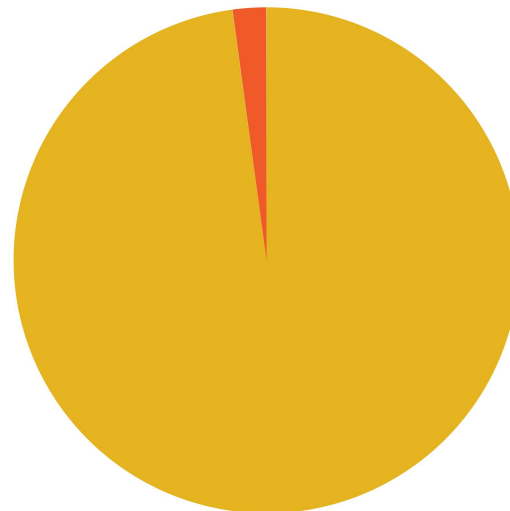
They are expected to connect with, engage, and represent the youth who live in the municipality by setting GOALS and PRIORITIES, hosting public committee meetings, and referring youth issues back to municipal council.”



Source: “The Municipal Youth Engagement Handbook,” *The Federation of Canadian Municipalities*

YOUTH COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES IN ONTARIO

AJAX AURORA BANCROFT BAYOFQUINTE BEACHES-AND-EAST-YORK
 BECKWITH BRADFORD WEST-GWILLIMBURY BRAMPTON BRANT
 BRANTFORD BROCK BURLINGTON CAMBRIDGE CORNWALL DURHAM
 GEORGIAN BAY GLENGARRY-PRESCOTT-RUSSELL GODERICH GRIMSBY
 GUELPH HAMILTON STONEYCREEK HULL-AYLMER HUNTSVILLE
 KINCARDINE KING KINGSTON KITCHENER LEAMINGTON LEEDS-AND-
 GRENVILLE LENNOX-AND-ADDINGTON LONDON MAPLETON MARKHAM
 MIDLAND MILTON MILKEN-HILLS MINDEN-HILLS MINTO MISSISSAUGA
 NEW-TECUMSETH NEWMARKET AURORA NIAGARA NIPISSING-
 TIMISKAMING NORFOLK NORTHUMBERLAND OAKVILLE ORILLIA
 OSHAWA OTTAWA OXFORD PELHAM PENETAGUISHENE
 PETERBOROUGH PICKERING PORTCOLBOURNE RICHMONDHILL SARNIA
 LAMBTON SAULTSTEMARIE ST.CATHARINES TECUMSEH THORNHIL
 THUNDERBAY TORONTO TRENTHILLS UNIONVILLE VAUGHAN
 WOODBRIDGE WASAGA-BEACH WATERLOO WELLAND WELLESLEY
 WELLINGTON WELLINGTON-NORTH LINCOLN WHITBY WHITCHURCH-
 STOUFVILLE WILMOT WOODSTOCK



● Other Youth Councils/Committees ● YCs in Windsor-Essex

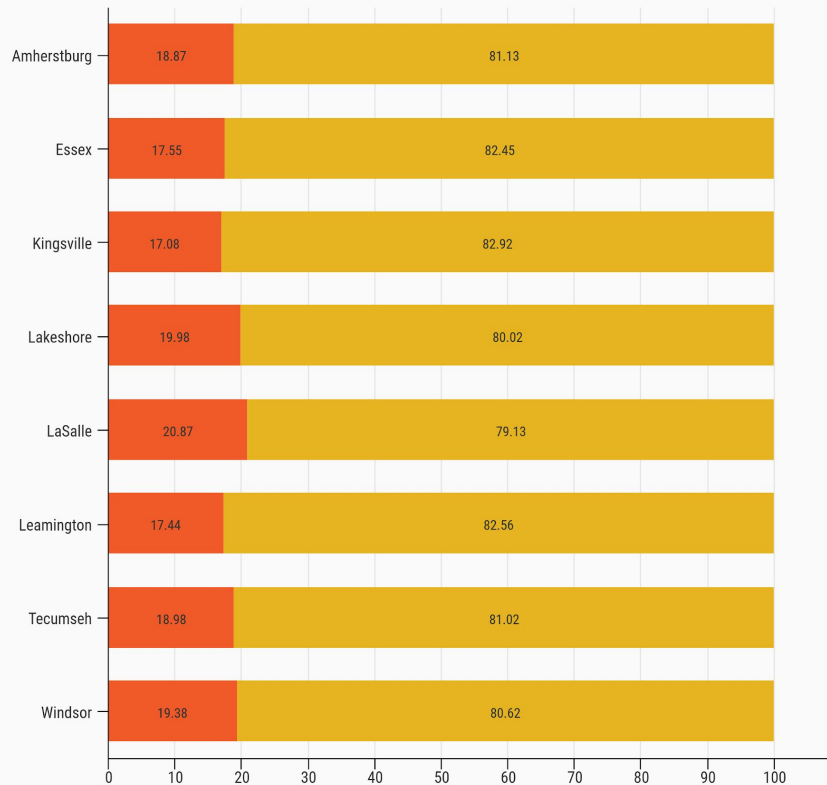


Did you know?

In 2016, youth ages 10-24
comprised

18.77%

of the Windsor-Essex
population





That is almost 1 in 5 people that are
NOT
being meaningfully engaged

“Municipal politics is often over-looked, especially by young people. This, despite the fact that local Councils have the greatest impact on building more youth friendly communities. Having a youth voice at the municipal level is therefore crucial.”

- **Kyle Fitzgerald, Youth Chair for The Durham Youth Council**

“It is important to the community to see Youth as an important opportunity and not judge them. I see a change in our communities that have the YAC where you start to hear the opinions change and the thoughts behind youth organized events. It’s uplifting. Our youth work hard to bring forward bright new ideas, collaborate with other organizations and be a liaison to council for information.”

- **Trish Wake, Municipality Resource for Mapleton Youth Action Council and Wellington North Youth Action Council**
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are everyone's
issues.

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How can we do
our part to
engage youth?



Community Impact Grant

What are they asking?

Who will benefit from the project and what impact will it have?

How will we measure the effectiveness of the project?

How have we identified the need for this project?

What are we going to do?

Provide you with set-up resources and tools:

- Agenda template
- Minutes template
- Terms of reference template
- Collaboration day
- Recruitment day

Work to facilitate and guide your appointed staff and/or volunteers to maintain membership and active engagement.

Provide ongoing learning and networking opportunities for yours and other youth councils across Ontario in identified areas of interest (i.e. mental health).

Now all we need is
YOUTH!

