

# Annual community planning and partnership meeting

The Municipality of West Grey



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# About West Grey

- Predominantly rural; approximately 875 km<sup>2</sup> in size.
- Four urban areas: Ayton, Durham, Elmwood and Neustadt.
- 13,000 people; however, a considerable amount of newcomers recently.
- Population has grown by almost 8% between 2016-2021.

# Schools in West Grey

- Normanby Community School
- Spruce Ridge Community School
- John Diefenbaker Senior School in Hanover
- Grey Highlands Secondary School in Flesherton



# Growth in West Grey

- Two subdivisions are under construction in Durham.
- These Durham subdivisions will add over 440 homes to our community.
- There are additional subdivisions in the planning stage that will add 150 homes to Neustadt.





# Youth in West Grey

- Over 20% of West Grey's population is under the age of 19 - or - approximately 2,745 people.



## What's happening now

- Information sharing through parent email and the PTA.
- Library partners on youth initiatives.
- Youth swim lessons and aquatics programming as part of summer recreation.
- West Grey Police Service actively involved in youth initiatives.

# Youth programs - West Grey Public Library



- Kindergarten and grade one story time
- Class trips to the library
- Children's librarian promotes the TD Summer Reading Club.
- Free library cards for students.

# Youth programs - West Grey Fire Service

- Kindergarten and grade one programs.
- Grade eight students receive education regarding careers in fire services.
- Fire Prevention Week activities for students in grades three to six.
- Fire extinguisher training to grade seven and eight students.





# Youth programs - West Grey Police Service

- KIDS program
- Award ceremonies
- School resource officer
- Participate in education programs



# Future opportunities

- Strengthen collaboration with municipal staff (arenas, libraries and public facilities).
- Afterschool drop-in programs
- Active programs such as expanded skating and sport opportunities.



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