

## HEALTH SERVICES

**Telehealth Ontario** 1-866-797-0000  
www.health.gov.on.ca

### Perth District Health Unit

The Health Unit's goal is to promote health, protect health, prevent disease and provide community health services for the people of Perth County.

Stratford 519-271-7600 x 267  
Listowel area 1-877-271-7348 x 267  
www.pdhu.on.ca

### Drug & Alcohol Helpline Ontario

1-800-565-8603  
www.dart.on.ca

### Mental Health Helpline Ontario

Free and confidential service, 24/7

1-866-531-2600  
www.mentalhealthhelpline.ca

### Canadian Mental Health Association

Huron Perth Branch 519-273-1391  
1-888-875-2944  
www.cmha-hp.on.ca  
www.cmha.ca

### Workplace Safety and Insurance Board (WSIB)

WSIB is an independent trust agency that administers compensation and no-fault insurance for Ontario workplaces. They are committed to delivering what matters to the workers and employers of Ontario: fast, accessible service and fair benefits at a fair price.

www.wsib.on.ca  
1-800-387-0750

### Workplace Safety & Prevention Services

1-877-494-9777  
www.wspss.ca

### Ontario Poison Centre

1-800-268-9017  
www.ontariopoisoncentre.ca

## ANIMAL CARE

### Farm and Food Care Ontario

The common goal is to build public trust in food and farming in Ontario and across Canada. The Helpline is a confidential farmer helping farmer approach of advice and referral. Calls received by the service are given to the appropriate commodity group(s) for follow-up.

Animal Care Helpline: 519-837-1326  
www.farmfoodcareon.org

### Ontario Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (OSPCA)

Stratford 1-888-668-7722  
519-273-6600  
www.ontariospca.ca

For additional information,  
factsheets and resources, contact:

**Agricultural Information Contact Centre:**

**1-877-424-1300**

**E-mail: [ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca](mailto:ag.info.omafra@ontario.ca)**

[www.ontario.ca/omafra](http://www.ontario.ca/omafra)

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## FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR FAMILIES in...

*Perth County*



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## EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

### Service Canada

Enquiries on jobs, job bank, employment insurance, family, housing & disability benefits.  
1-800-622-6232  
www.servicecanada.gc.ca

### Centre for Employment & Learning

Stratford 519-271-4896  
thecentreforemploymentandlearning.ca

### Employment Ontario

1-800-387-5656  
www.ontario.ca/page/employment-ontario

### Quill Learning Network

All programs are designed to help you

- upgrade your education, career & life skills to help you get a better job and live a better life
- prepare for and complete your GED or high school credits
- upgrade your skills for post-secondary courses or apprenticeship training
- become more independent

1-800-530-6852  
www.quillnetwork.com

### Partners in Employment

Partners in Employment is a not for profit organization that assists people in Huron and Perth Counties to find and keep employment.

Stratford 519-272-1946  
St. Marys 519-284-0112  
Listowel 519-291-1893  
www.partnersinemployment.on.ca

## FINANCIAL RESOURCES

### Canadian Agricultural Partnership

The Canadian Agricultural Partnership (the Partnership) is the new five-year commitment by Canada's federal, provincial and territorial governments that will support Canada's agri-food and agri-products sectors.

Strategic initiatives including cost-share funding will support projects in the following key priority areas, with research and innovation(<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/research.htm>) continuing to be a focus across all programming:

- Economic development(<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/ecdev.htm>) in the agri-food and agri-products sectors
- Environmental stewardship (<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/stewardship.htm>) to enhance water quality and soil health
- The Partnership includes a targeted effort under environmental stewardship - the Lake Erie Agriculture Demonstrating Sustainability (LEADS)(<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/watershed.htm>) sub-program - that targets phosphorus reduction within Ontario's Lake Erie watershed through the programming
- Protection and assurance (<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/cap/protection.htm>) to reinforce the foundation for public trust in the sector through improved assurance systems in food safety and plant and animal health.

#### For more information:

Visit the website at :  
[www.ontario.ca/agpartnership](http://www.ontario.ca/agpartnership)

### Business Risk Management Programs

Ontario's Risk Management Program (RMP) helps producers manage risks beyond their control, such as fluctuating costs and market prices. The program is available for the grains and oilseeds, cattle, hog, sheep, veal and edible horticulture sectors.

Agricorp: 1-888-247-4999  
[www.agricorp.com](http://www.agricorp.com)

### Farm Debt Mediation Service

The Farm Debt Mediation Service offers financial counselling & mediation services to farmers who are having difficulties meeting their financial obligations. It is a free, voluntary service for both producers and creditor(s), bringing them together with a mediator in a neutral forum, to reach a mutually acceptable solution. The service is private and confidential.

1-866-452-5556  
[www.agr.gc.ca](http://www.agr.gc.ca)

### Farm Credit Canada

Provides specialized and personalized business and financial services and products to farming operations, including family farms, and to those businesses in rural Canada, including small and medium-sized businesses, that are businesses related to farming.

Head office/Regina 1-888-332-3301  
Stratford 519-271-0460  
Listowel 519-291-3450  
[www.fcc-fac.ca](http://www.fcc-fac.ca)

### Ontario Association of Credit Counselling Services

[info@oaccs.ca](mailto:info@oaccs.ca)  
[www.oaccs.com](http://www.oaccs.com)

## EMOTIONAL SUPPORT AND REFERRAL

### Crisis Intervention Program

This is a 24 hour, 365 day a year, confidential counseling and referral service for residents of Perth and Huron Counties.

1-888-829-7484

### Optimism Place

Provides support and assistance to women seeking help due to physical, sexual, emotional or mental abuse.

Stratford 519-271-5550  
1-800-265-8598  
[www.optimismplace.com](http://www.optimismplace.com)

## FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICES

### Alcoholics Anonymous

A program of support and recovery from alcohol. Stratford—24 Hr Answering Service: 519-271-7755

### Ontario Problem Gambling Helpline

1-866-531-2600  
[www.problemgambling.ca](http://www.problemgambling.ca)

### Choice for Change

Support for alcohol, drug and gambling counselling  
Stratford 519-271-6730  
1-877-218-0077  
[www.choiceforchange.ca](http://www.choiceforchange.ca)

### Family Services Perth-Huron

Stratford 519-273-1020  
Listowel 519-291-5401  
Toll-free 1-800-268-0903  
[www.familyservicesperth-huron.ca](http://www.familyservicesperth-huron.ca)

### Childrens Aid Society

Stratford 519-271-5290  
1-800-668-5094  
[www.h-pcas.ca](http://www.h-pcas.ca)

### Kids Help Phone (under 20 yrs)

1-800-668-6868  
[www.kidshelpphone.ca](http://www.kidshelpphone.ca)

### Stratford Area Community Living

519-273-1000  
[www.clsa.ca](http://www.clsa.ca)

### Huron Perth Centre for Children and Youth

Provides counseling services for children and youth and their families.

Stratford 519-273-3373  
Listowel 519-291-1088  
[www.hpcentre.on.ca](http://www.hpcentre.on.ca)

### Stratford Children's Services

Stratford 519-273-3623  
[www.stratfordchildrensservices.com](http://www.stratfordchildrensservices.com)

**Ontario Early Years Centre**, for parents, caregivers and children to age 6. Families are invited to get questions answered, as well as participate with their children in early learning activities.

Stratford 519-273-3876  
Toll-free 1-800-361-7959  
[www.falstafffamilycentre.com](http://www.falstafffamilycentre.com)

**Emily Murphy Centre**, second stage housing for abused women, with or without children.

Stratford 519-273-7350  
Toll Free: 1-888-826-8117  
[www.emilymurphycentre.com](http://www.emilymurphycentre.com)

**House of Blessing** provides food, clothing, toys, housewares, referrals and seasonal programs to people in need.

Stratford 519-273-3433  
[www.shob.org](http://www.shob.org)

### United Way of Perth County

Stratford 519-271-7730  
[www.perthhuron.unitedway.ca](http://www.perthhuron.unitedway.ca)

### Victim Services of Bruce, Grey & Perth Counties

1-866-376-9852  
[www.vsbgp.com](http://www.vsbgp.com)

### Stratford Meals on Wheels & Neighbourly Services

519-271-4175

### Salvation Army Family Services

Offering emergency assistance to those in need.  
Stratford 519-271-2950  
St. Marys 519-284-2760  
Listowel 519-291-2900