

Media Advisory - Attention: News & Community and Events Editors

Community Power Workshop Series coming to communities across Ontario this fall

Workshops scheduled in Halton, Hamilton, Haldimand-Norfolk, Kitchener, London, Niagara, Midland, Perth, Peterborough, Renfrew County, Sault Ste. Marie, Sudbury, Sarnia-Lambton and Toronto

This fall, The Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA) is partnering with 14 local organizations to deliver community power workshops across the province. These workshops will bring community-based groups together with local institutions to help them understand how to develop their own community-owned, community-controlled, renewable energy project.

Date	Time	Venue	Area	Partner
Tues Sept 13th	1pm-4pm	Grosvenor Lodge, 1017 Western Rd, London	London	Thames Region Ecological Association
Thurs Sept 15th	6:30-9:30pm	Kitchener City Hall (Learning Room), 200 King St West, Kitchener	Kitchener/Waterloo	LIFE Co-op
Fri Sept 23rd	9am-12pm	Delta Hotel – Simpson Suite AB, 208 St. Mary's River Drive, Sault Ste. Marie	Sault Ste Marie	Nordik Institute
Tues Sept 27th	TBA	Black Creek Pioneer Village, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto	Toronto	Toronto Region Conservation Authority
Oct 18 or 20 (TBC)	TBA	TBA	Perth	EcoPerth
Wed Oct 19th	1pm-4pm	Whitewater Region Township Hall, 44 Main St. Cobden ON	Renfrew County (Cobden)	Ottawa River Institute
Wed Oct 26th	5:45-8:45pm	Midland Public library, 320 King St. Midland	Simcoe County (Midland)	Simcoe Huronia Association for Renewable Energy (SHARE)
Thurs Oct 27th	Evening/TBA	City Hall Council Chambers	Sudbury	ReThink Green
Tues Nov 1st	TBA	SLWDB Office – Gateway Room	Sarnia-Lambton	Sarnia Lambton Workforce Development Board (SLWDB)
Tues Nov 8th	1pm-4pm	Centennial Hall at Central Library, 2331 New Street, Burlington	Halton	Burlington Green
Wed Nov 9th	6:30-9:30 pm	Central Branch – Hamilton Public Library, 55 York Boulevard	Hamilton	Environment Hamilton

For more information about the workshop series and individual events in your area, please contact: Steve Ireson, at (416) 977-4441 ext. 5215, or email: Steve@Ontario-SEA.org

At each workshop, experts will guide the participants through a highly interactive discussion to give them the tools that they need to start their own community solar energy project.

No previous experience is required and all are welcome.

Workshops will be three hours in length, and include a one hour introductory webinar prior to the session. All participants will receive a copy of OSEA's "Toolkit for Initiating Your Solar (PV) Community Power Project."

For more information about OSEA and their roadmap to using energy more efficiently and producing renewable power visit:

http://www.ontario-sea.org/Storage/56/4826_Community_Power_Services_brochure.pdf

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