



Fall 2016



AMCTO Zone Meeting Presentation



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Today's Presentation

- ✓ 2017 AMCTO Conference – Deerhurst Resort
- ✓ AMCTO Mentorship Program
- ✓ AMCTO Research – Municipal Reporting Burden
- ✓ 2018 Elections Training and Support



Conference 2017

June 11th – 14th

Deerhurst Resort



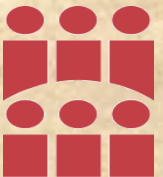
Launch of AMCTO Mentorship Program

- ✓ Program Launched in June 2016
 - 18 Mentee applications and 9 Mentor applications
 - 8 relationships established
- ✓ Kick Off Session (September 2016)
 - Mentor/mentee kick off session with trainers to discuss and educate participants about successful mentorship
- ✓ Resources developed and relationships facilitated
 - i.e. how to have successful meetings, conversations and to extract value from mentorship.



Mentorship Resources for your Municipality

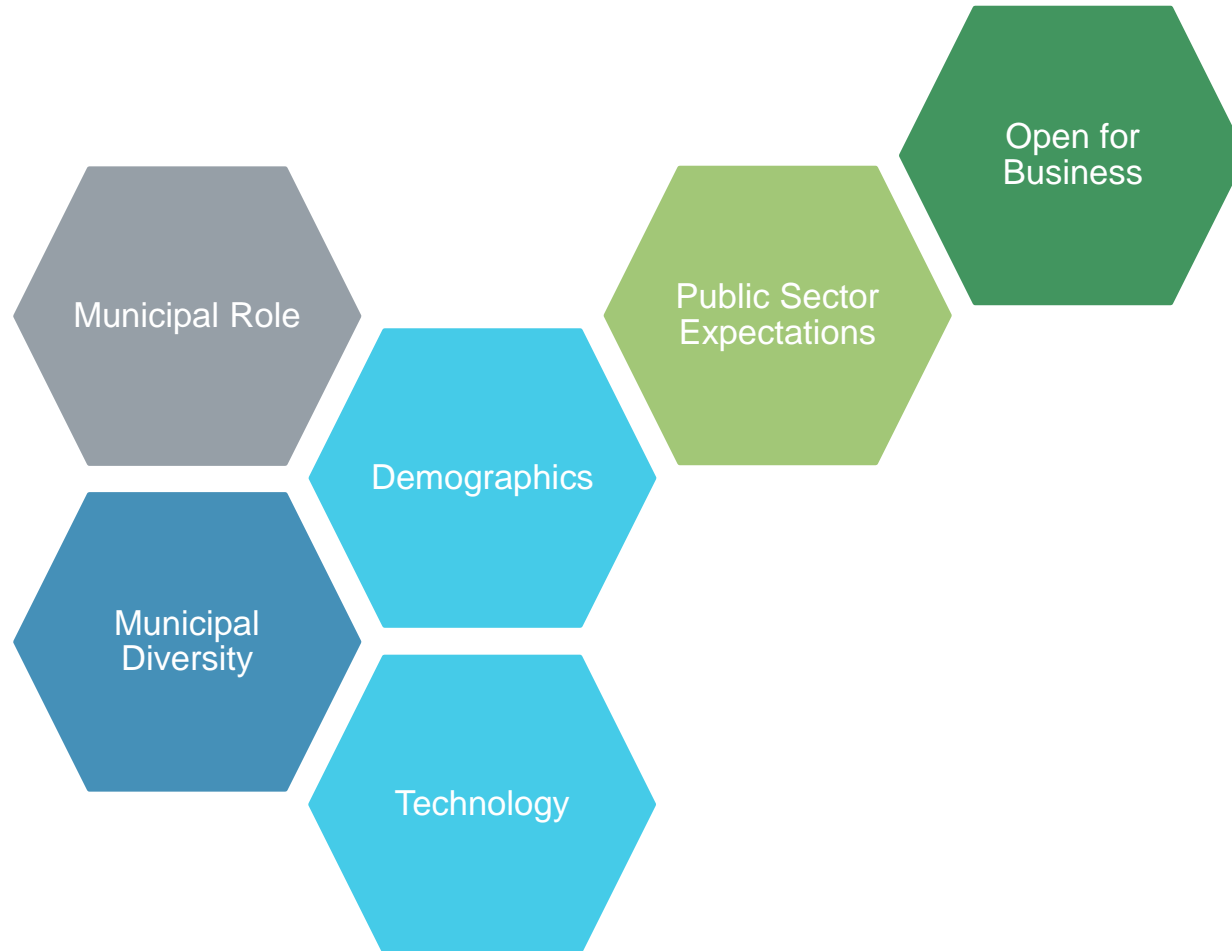
- ✓ Leverage the AMCTO Mentorship Program Handbook to build your own program
 - Additional resources available (i.e. Forms, Tips for effective meetings etc.)



MUNICIPAL REPORTING BURDEN RESEARCH



CONTEXT



RESEARCH DESIGN

Objective: to help us better understand and quantify the impacts of provincial reporting obligations faced by Ontario municipalities, and identify recommendations to streamline reporting requirements that will benefit municipal governments and maintain accountability, where necessary.

Timeline: June 1st, 2016 - August 31, 2016 (3 months)

Guiding Questions:

- How do municipalities report to the province?
- How do these existing reporting requirements impact different municipalities?
- What regulatory mechanisms/supports/changes have/will lead to improved municipal reporting?

RESEARCH METHODOLOGY

- I: Conduct case study research with local governments across Ontario (Summer 2016)
 - Online survey (17 questions)
 - List of Reporting Requirements
 - Interviews/Focus Groups
- II: Conduct general research with individual local government staff across Ontario (July 2016)
 - Online survey (34 questions)
 - Responses came from a diverse range of municipalities, including:
 - Small, medium, large
 - Single, upper and lower tier
 - Municipalities in all regions of the province

PRELIMINARY FINDINGS

Reporting can be Excessive

Reporting Experience Varies

*Reporting Lacks utility and
purpose*

Lack of Data Synchronization

IMPACTS



Time



Productivity



Financial
Resources



Innovation



Administrative
Capacity



Provincial-Municipal
Relations

POLICY OPTIONS

For the Province

1. Establish and maintain a comprehensive list of provincially required reporting for municipalities
2. Recognize the burden and open discussions on reforming the regulatory and reporting policy for Ontario's municipalities
3. Engage in greater provincial-municipal discussion on municipal reporting for the purposes of greater data utility
4. Communicate the purpose, value and use of required reporting and data
5. Consider varying reporting requirements for municipalities based on set criteria
6. Explore reporting best practices via technology/ centralized database / single data collection

POLICY OPTIONS

For Municipalities

1. Strive to understand your municipalities reporting obligations and practices
2. Devise organizational planning strategies for reporting obligations
3. Develop data management approaches to improve quantitative records and optimize qualitative inputs within reporting requirements

2018 AMCTO Elections Training & Support

Timeline:

- ✓ Fall 2016 – AMCTO establishes an Elections Focus Group
- ✓ Fall 2016 – Ranked ballot Info webinar & Bill 181 (MEA) Province-Wide Workshops
- ✓ End of 2016 – RFP for elections manual and training program development
- ✓ Spring / Summer 2017 – Begin Election Express series for members.
- ✓ Fall 2017 –Province-Wide Elections Training Workshops and distribution of the Elections Manual.





Thank You!



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