

# Media Release

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## Celebrate Earth Hour in Caledon

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Let's turn out the lights for Earth Hour! This year marks the 10<sup>th</sup> annual Earth Hour, which will take place this Saturday March 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. The Town will be participating in a "Lights Out" Campaign in an effort to demonstrate its commitment to climate change action.

"We have actively participated in Earth Hour since 2008 and throughout the years I've learned that every little bit counts," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "I encourage everyone to participate in Earth Hour and share your stories online by using #EarthHourCaledon."

The Town will participate in this year's campaign by, turning off all unnecessary lighting in unoccupied areas at:

- Town Hall
- 6211 Fire Administration
- OPP Detachment (subject to events)
- Fire Halls #301-#309 (subject to events)
- Caledon East Community Complex
- Alton Community Centre
- Caledon Centre for Recreation and Wellness
- Albion Bolton United Community Centre
- Rotary Club
- Mayfield Recreation Complex
- Lloyd Wilson Arena
- Cheltenham Community Hall
- Margaret Dunn Library
- Inglewood Community Centre (with the exception of the stage performance area)
- Caledon Village Place
- Victoria Parks Community Centre

The ice arenas will be shut down when unoccupied during the hour at Lloyd Wilson Arena, Mayfield Recreation Complex, Albion Bolton United Community Centre and Caledon East Community Complex.

The Mayfield Recreation Complex and Lloyd Wilson Arena will be taking additional measures beyond just 'Lights Out' by shutting down and unplugging all unnecessary equipment including: compressors for the arena, shower water heaters and appliances; turning down and shutting off the furnace and baseboard and wall heaters; unplugging the zamboni and water heater; and turning off the parking lot and road sign lights.

The Town encourages the local community and businesses to participate in Earth Hour's "Lights Out" campaign. Last year, according to Hydro One records, the Caledon community's electricity reduction beat 2016 results by 5.1%.



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## About Earth Hour

Earth Hour originated in Sydney, Australia in 2007 to take action on global climate change. Earth Hour is the world's largest grassroots movement for the environment that is coordinated by the WWF and other volunteer organizations. This movement spans over 187 countries, 7,000 cities and 24 time zones and inspires energy conservation action amongst millions of people.

For more information, visit [earthhour.org](http://earthhour.org).

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