

# Media Release

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## Caledon supports FARM 911: The Emily Project to make farms safer

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Emergency preparedness starts with being able to quickly identify a property location for first responders. Farmers can now apply for a municipal number for any vacant farm field to help first responders find an address in the case of an emergency. This is a coordinated initiative by the Peel Federation of Agriculture, Ontario Federation of Agriculture and The Town of Caledon.

“I encourage all farm field owners to apply for a municipal number,” said Mayor Allan Thompson. “If an emergency were to happen on your property, it’s important for first responders to be able to locate you as quickly as possible.”

A municipal number will be issued by the Town at the request of the property owner. Owners are advised that various information is needed to request a municipal number. For additional information on how to apply for a municipal number in Caledon please visit [caledon.ca/municipalnumbers](http://caledon.ca/municipalnumbers).

### Background

In 2014, seven-year-old Emily Trudeau died from a farming accident when first responders were not able to locate her in time, due to no municipal number on her family’s farm.

Emily’s death brought awareness to the reality that farmers often work alone on large agricultural properties that may not have any buildings or landmarks present, making it difficult for emergency workers to find them if a disaster occurs.

FARM 911: The Emily Project was initiated in 2017 in Eastern Ontario to increase municipal numbers along vacant farmers’ fields to help save lives in the case of an emergency.

For more information please visit [Farm911.ca](http://Farm911.ca).

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