

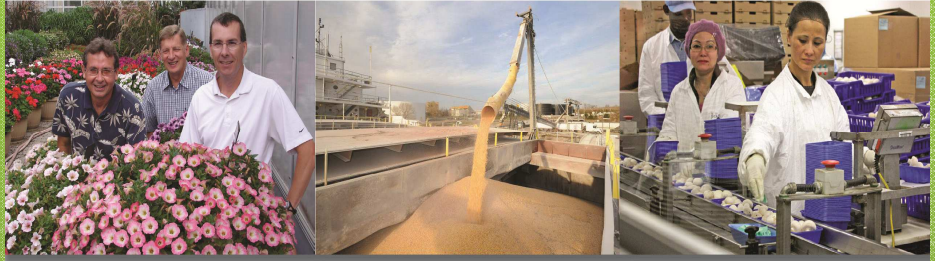
Golden Horseshoe Food and Farming Alliance Update

Presentation
City of Hamilton
May 6, 2015

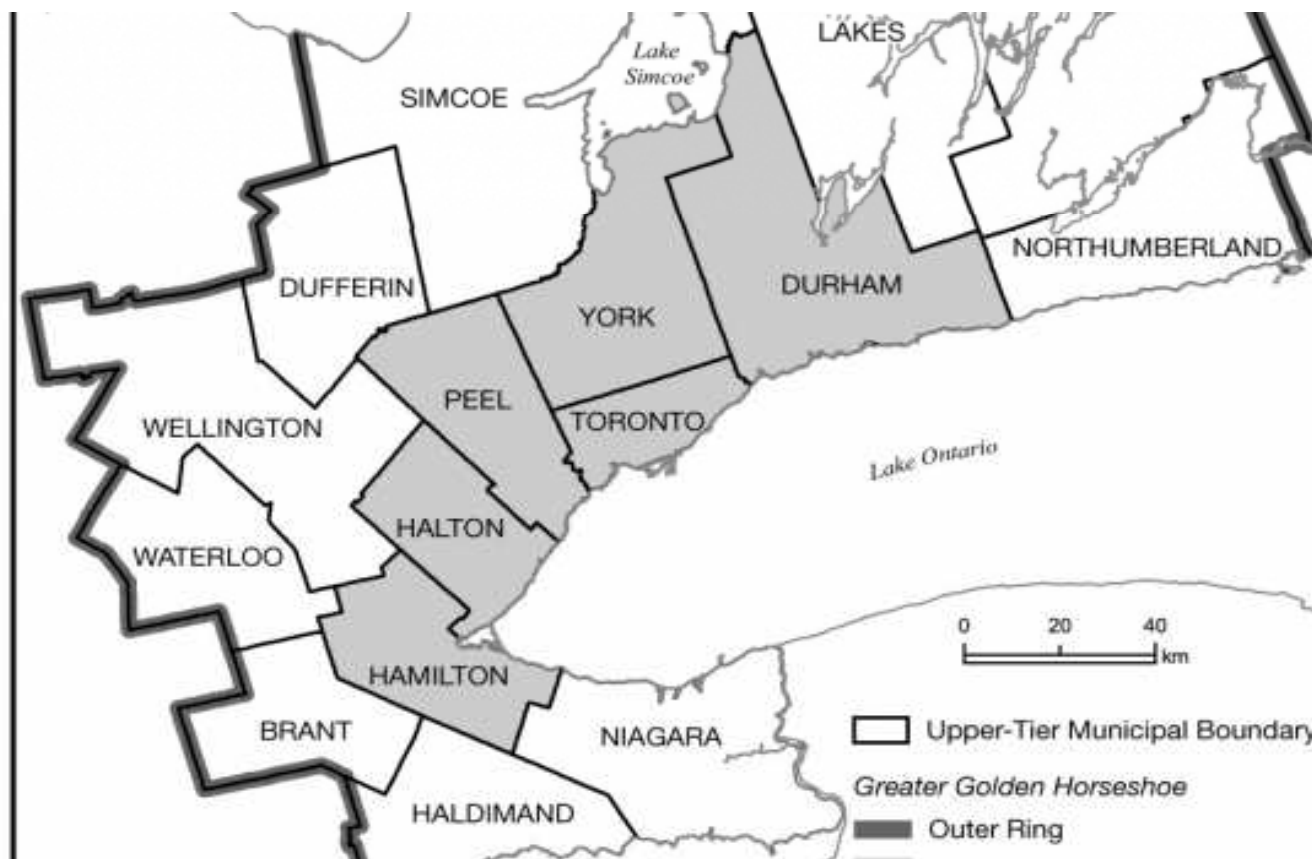


Golden Horseshoe Agriculture & Agri-Food Strategy

Food & Farming: An Action Plan 2021



Regional Endorsement and Investment by all Municipalities



5 Pillars of the Action Plan

- Grow the Cluster
- Link Food, Farming and Health
- Foster Innovation
- Enable the Cluster
- Cultivate New Approaches

City of Hamilton Agricultural Statistics

- 885 farms
- Total number of acres of farmland area = 130,589
- Agriculture generated \$244,217,225 in Gross Farm Receipts
- Economic Impact of \$893 Million
- In 2011, Agriculture in Hamilton had an employment impact of 5,796 jobs

2014 Accomplishments

- Agricultural Profiles Statistics Compiled
- Infographic
- Asset Mapping Project
- Workshops for municipal Planners, Economic Developers, Building Departments, Public Health Units and Conservation Authorities
- Queens Park Day

2015 Workplan

- **Asset Mapping** for Golden Horseshoe food and farming assets
- Building a **collaborative model** with Durham College, EcoSource and others for School Boards and Ontario Colleges
- **Urban Agriculture** Project with Grow TO and the City of Toronto templated across Golden Horseshoe

2015 Workplan

- **Workshop Series** for planners, Economic Developers and Building Departments
- **Input** to 2015 Four Plan reviews
- **Queens Park Day** 2015
- **Developing Relationships** with Rural Caucus MPP's
- **Election Platform** for Federal Election 2015

Thank you for your support

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- Municipal Staff
- Agricultural Advisory Groups