



PROGRAM TEACHES DURHAM HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LIFESAVING SKILLS

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A lifesaving program is now being taught to over 7,000 students at Durham high schools. They're learning advanced coronary treatment C.P.R. and defibrillator training. Executive Director of the A.C.T. foundation Sandra Clarke say the program has trained over 2-million students in Canada so far and will be run annually. According to the Heart and Stroke Foundation when used within the first few minutes of cardiac arrest, C.P.R. and defibrillators can improve survival rates up by to 75 %.

DURHAM REGION HEALTH DEPARTMENT CELEBRATES PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK

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It's been 100 years since the Canadian Public Health Institute was founded and to mark the occasion the Durham Region Health Department is celebrating Public Health Week. The agency is responsible for safety in several areas including food inspection, monitoring water facilities, child care, and disease control. The department has been touring high schools all week to explain the field and its career opportunities.

PILOT PROGRAM "MAKE A DIFFERENCE" LAUNCHES IN OSHAWA SCHOOLS

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A pilot program to address the impact of poverty on early learners has been launched at several primary schools in Oshawa. Durham District School Board Oshawa Trustee Lary Jacula says the "Make a Difference" program is about making sure all kids have the same opportunities and are on par with each other when they start school. Jacula explains a number of smaller programs will be added into the schools such as breakfast and nutrition programs, vision, dental and hearing screenings, an on-going focus group and service centres. The goal is to eventually implement the program into all schools in the region.

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