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Decades of Service: Sam Horton Celebrates a Lifetime of Community Leadership

Ingersoll, ON September 12, 2024 — The Town of Ingersoll extends its heartfelt thanks to long-time resident and volunteer Sam Horton for his unwavering dedication and countless contributions to the community. With decades of service and leadership, Sam has become a driving force in making Ingersoll a wonderful place to live, work, and thrive.

At the September Safe Cycling Committee meeting, Sam was presented with a plaque as a small token of appreciation for his outstanding commitment to the community. The gesture was a recognition of his years of service and dedication to making Ingersoll a safer, stronger Town.

Born and raised at Charleston Lake, Sam's passion for giving back began early in life, and after a successful 36-year career with the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP), he shifted his focus to community service. Since moving to Ingersoll in 2013, Sam has been a pillar of the Town's volunteer efforts, bringing energy and vision to every initiative he's involved with.

Sam has played instrumental roles in a variety of local organizations, from chairing the Woodstock Big Brothers and serving on the board of Domestic Abuse Services Oxford (DASO) to leading fundraising efforts for the Laurie Hawkins Foundation and the One Chart Hospital Fundraising Committee. His involvement has touched countless lives, and his leadership continues to inspire those around him.

In addition to his leadership in community programs, Sam has also been an active voice in local cycling advocacy. As a member of the Ingersoll Safe Cycling Committee and the Oxford Cycling Advocacy Committee, he has worked to promote safer and more accessible cycling in the area. His ongoing involvement with the Kiwanis Club of Ingersoll has further solidified his role as a key figure in the town's volunteer community.

Quotes

"Sam's commitment to Ingersoll is nothing short of remarkable. His volunteer work has not only helped build a stronger, more connected community but has also set a high standard for leadership and service. We are deeply grateful for all that he's done."

- Mayor Brian Petrie, Mayor of Ingersoll

"Giving back to the community is a responsibility I take seriously. I believe in leaving things better than I found them, and Ingersoll has become a place I'm proud to call home."

- Sam Horton, Ingersoll Safe Cycling Committee Member

About the Town of Ingersoll

Nestled in the heart of southwestern Ontario, the Town of Ingersoll is a vibrant community with a population of over 13,000. As a forward-thinking municipal government, Ingersoll is a strong, diverse, green, and sustainable community that respects our people, honours our past and shapes our future. From cultural venues, such as museums, theatres, and art galleries, to outdoor adventures, such as hiking, cycling, and fishing, you'll find what you are looking for in Ingersoll. Ingersoll's Town Hall, centrally located in the heart of our community, serves as a hub for accessible and responsive municipal services. Stay connected with us online through our official website, www.ingersoll.ca, and follow our social media channels at @townofingersoll and @touringersoll. Explore our strategic vision for Ingersoll in our [Strategic Plan](#).

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