



MEDIA ADVISORY

**Healthy Communities and Planning for Active Transportation
Planning and Implementing Active Transportation in Ontario Communities
A Call to Action
Ontario Professional Planners Institute**

TORONTO – The Ontario Professional Planners Institute (OPPI) will release a Call to Action tomorrow on June 21st, 2012 entitled *Healthy Communities and Planning for Active Transportation - Planning and Implementing Active Transportation in Ontario Communities*. The report calls upon planners, the provincial government, municipalities and the public to make non-motorized forms of travel a mainstay of daily life throughout Ontario communities. Copies of the Call to Action will be available at:
www.ontarioplanners.on.ca/content/Publications/innovativepolicypapers.aspx

On September 20th and 21st 2012, OPPI will take the themes of the Call to Action and move these forward at a Symposium entitled *“Healthy Communities and Planning for Active Transportation – Talking the Talk and Walking the Walk”* at the Hilton Suites Markham Conference Centre.

The Symposium will address these key issues:

- Importance of Active Transportation
- Benefits of Active Transportation – health, safety, environmental, social/community and economic
- The Planner’s Role in Active Transportation
- Implementing Active Transportation Plans
- OPPI’s Position on Active Transportation

Join experts and colleagues in examining these challenges and identifying emerging opportunities. Further information can be found at:
www.ontarioplanners.on.ca/content/symposium/index.aspx

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