



<b>Report Presented To:</b>	Township of Southgate Council Meeting
<b>Meeting Date:</b>	2024-09-18
<b>Report Number</b>	FIRE2024-007
<b>Title:</b>	Community Risk Assessment
<b>Open/Closed Session:</b>	Open Session
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**Executive Summary:**

The Township of Southgate has completed its Community Risk Assessment as required by legislation. Attached to this report is a summary of the Township of Southgate’s Community Risk Assessment.

**Recommendation:**

**Be it resolved that** Staff report FIRE2024-007 be received for information.

**Background:**

Ontario Regulation 378/18 Community Risk Assessments came into effect on July 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. Under this regulation every municipality, and every fire department in a territory without municipal organization, must, (a) complete and review a community risk assessment as provided by this Regulation; and (b) use its community risk assessment to inform decisions about the provisions of fire protection services. The community risk assessment requires 9 mandatory profiles to be completed and each profile is to be interpreted as extending only to matters relevant to fire protection services. The 9 profiles are: geographic, building stock, critical infrastructure, demographic, hazard, public safety response, community services, economic and past loss and event history. Each municipality had until July 1<sup>st</sup> 2024 to complete their Community Risk Assessment.

**Analysis**

The completion of the Community Risk Assessment prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> has ensured Southgate is in compliance with O. Reg 378/18. A great deal of data was used from various departments in the Township as well as the Office of the Fire Marshall and from staff traveling around the Township.

This document looked at the entire Township and established the risk that the Dundalk Fire Department accepts or needs to avoid, mitigate, or transfer in the future to help keep our community safe from fire related risks.

By having the community risk assessment completed this will now help with the Fire Master Plan which was identified as a strategic priority in the Township of Southgate's Community Strategic Plan.

**Internal Policy and Legislated Requirements:**

This report aligns with Ontario Regulation 378/18 Community Risk Assessments under the Fire Protection and Prevention Act, 1997, S.O. 1997, c4.

**Financial and Resource Implications:**

There is no financial or resource implications in receiving this report for information.

**Strategic Priorities:**

Priority: Happy, Healthy Communities

Goal: Goal 8: Enhance Community Safety

Action Item: 8 a). Develop a Master Fire Plan to Ensure that Fire Services Meet the Needs of the Southgate Community

**Attachments:**

List Attachments:

Attachment 1: FIRE2024-007 Community Risk Assessment Report