



ONTARIO NONPROFIT NETWORK

The Honourable Todd Smith, Minister of Energy
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Dear Minister Smith:

On behalf of the Ontario Nonprofit Network (ONN), we are writing to thank you for your leadership at the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services, and to congratulate you on your appointment as the Minister of Energy. We look forward to working with you to support and strengthen communities across the province.

As you know, Ontario's nonprofit sector plays a vital role as an economic driver, contributing \$65 billion to our province's GDP. As a sector, Ontario nonprofits receive less than half of their revenues from governments, which means they can leverage public investments - via business activities, donations, and the contributions of volunteers - into significantly higher value in the services they deliver to Ontarians, all while creating jobs locally. The nonprofit sector is positioned to support the Ontario government to build a stronger economy and a resilient province. Working together, we can deliver real change.

The Ministry of Energy also has many nonprofit and charitable partners and stakeholders. We encourage you to reach out to them at your earliest convenience and support their recovery and rebuilding as we move through this pandemic.

Please do not hesitate to reach out at any time, and best wishes in your new portfolio.

Sincerely,

Cathy Taylor
Executive Director
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