

## INFORMATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	March 4, 2019
SUBJECT:	City of Hamilton awarded provincial 2018 Municipality of the Year Award for festivals and events
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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The City of Hamilton was honoured with the Municipality of the Year Award at the Festivals and Event Ontario (FEO) Awards in London, Ontario, on Thursday, February 28.

The Municipality of the Year award recognizes the best in municipal leadership as well as community and tourism partnerships in Ontario. It also celebrates cities' achievements in producing, funding, facilitating, attracting and promoting festivals and events in the previous year.

This award is a result of the support from Council and the collective ownership and efforts of many divisions within Planning & Economic Development, Healthy & Safe Communities, Finance & Corporate Services, Public Works, and Hamilton Emergency Services to support and champion festivals and events in our city in 2018.

The following Hamilton festivals and events were also honoured by FEO and awarded 'Top 100 Events', designation for 2019:

- Dundas Cactus Festival
- Dundas International Buskerfest
- It's vour Festival
- Re-enactment of the Battle of Stoney Creek
- Supercrawl
- Telling Tales Festival
- Winona Peach Festival

Any questions about the above-noted can be directed to Pam Mulholland, Senior Project Manager - Events by email or at Ext. 4514.