



Business Information

This electronic communication is a resource providing businesses and interested parties with relevant information about funding sources, events, resources, and other local municipal information.

Gas Prices Surge 39 cents a litre in Petawawa

The cost of oil has surged globally due to conflicts in the middle east. As a result, gas prices in Petawawa have increased by 39.4 cents per litre for regular gas from a low of \$1.20.5 at the end of February to \$1.59.9 on March 17th, 2025. For a driver putting 40 litres of gas into their vehicle, that works out to an increase in \$15.76 each time at the pumps.

Are you concerned about how the price of gas will impact your business?

Yes

No

Grants, Funding and Opportunities

Eastern Ontario Development Fund: 15% to a maximum of \$500,000

- Application period is open until May 15th, 2026

Petawawa Community Improvement Plan (CIP): up to \$5,000 for various upgrades including:

- Accessibility
- Signage
- Exterior Building Upgrades
- Landscaping
- Parking Lot Improvements

Community Foundation Grants: Funding available for charitable organizations

- Application period is **open** until March 20, 2026

Petawawa Hosts Business Networking Event

Thank you to Ottawa Valley Coffee Petawawa for hosting our Caffeinated & Connected business networking event on March 9! Local entrepreneurs, business owners, and professionals came together over great coffee for meaningful conversations and new connections. Events like this help strengthen Petawawa's business community.

If you have an idea for a networking event or would like to host one, we'd love to hear from you. Contact the Town of Petawawa Economic Development Department and share your idea today! ☕️👉📈



Send us your Networking Suggestions & Ideas Today!

Upcoming Business Webinars, Events & Info Sessions

- **March 19** | 12PM-1:30PM: [Navigating Inter-Provincial Trade in Canada](#)
- **April 7** | 11AM-12PM: [Starter Company Plus Information Session](#)
- **April 9** | 1PM-2PM: [Starter Company Plus Information Session](#)
- **April 14** | 10AM-11AM: [Banking Solutions for Small Business](#)
- **April 28** | 10AM-11AM: [Legal Bootcamp with OWNR](#)

Paramount Kitchens Closes Doors After 42-Years



After more than four decades of business operations, Paramount Kitchens has officially closed in Petawawa. Gerry Barink started Paramount Kitchens in 1984 in a small workshop and eventually relocated the shop to its present location on Petawawa Boulevard. Owners Clarence Barink and Joanne Watts took over the business in 2000 and officially announced their retirement in January 2026. The Town of Petawawa wants to thank the team at Paramount Kitchens for their 42-years of dedicated business service in Petawawa.

Petawawa Ramble Business Sign Up Now Available



Sign up today for the Petawawa Ramble!

The 8th edition of the Petawawa Ramble returns October 15-18, 2026.

If you have an idea for an event you would like to host at your business during the Petawawa Ramble, email rkadlec@petawawa.ca for information!

[Sign up for the Petawawa Ramble Today](#)

Employment Drops Across Canada in February

Statistics Canada says employment declined by 84,000 (-0.4%) in February, after edging down in January (-25,000; -0.1%). On a year-over-year basis, employment was little changed in February 2026 following job gains in the fall. In Ontario, employment held steady in February. The number of people in Ontario who searched for work increased by 28,000 (+4.3%) in February and the unemployment rate rose by 0.3 percentage points to 7.6%.

[Read More Here](#)

College Hosting Canadian Armed Forces Day April 10



Algonquin College's Pembroke Campus has many students who have direct connections to the military community.

On Friday, April 10, the College invites current soldiers, exiting soldiers, veterans, military spouses and their families to come on campus to learn more about the programs and services that are available to them when they enroll at the Pembroke Campus.

This half-day Open House will include campus tours, presentations geared to the military community and a panel of current students who can share their academic journey as a former military member or military spouse.

[Learn More & Register Here](#)

Town of Petawawa

Petawawa Business Advisory Network
1111 Victoria St. Petawawa, Ontario
Phone 1-613-687-5536

Petawawa Businesses be sure to use **Shop Petawawa** to drive additional sales to your businesses' shopping and social platforms. Need help using this FREE resource? Want to advertise your business event or celebration?

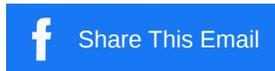
Local Business Resources Social Feeds

- [Upper Ottawa Valley Chamber of Commerce](#)
- [Renfrew County Community Futures Development Corporation](#)
- [Enterprise Renfrew County](#)
- [Invest Renfrew County](#)

Contact **Christine**



- [Ottawa Valley Tourist Association](#)
- [Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization](#)
- [Petawawa Employment Services](#)
- [Labour Market Group Renfrew County and Lanark](#)



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