



The Elgin, Middlesex, Oxford
Local Training Board

Commission locale de
formation pour les comtés
d'Elgin, de Middlesex et d'Oxford

Monthly Update

April 2009

TOP Survey

Your input to the TOP process and TOP report is essential for EMOLTB to continuously improve how we engage our community. Please take a few minutes to complete the [TOP survey](#). Your participation is appreciated. Your input is invaluable. www.localboard.on.ca

Manufacturing Job Losses

See what major layoffs and plant closings have occurred in the London area since 2008. Click on this [interactive map](#)

Volunteers Needed!



Make a difference.....today's youth is tomorrow's workforce. **SLOME**, an interactive career exploration day for students in grades 5 - 12, is coming up May 13th, 2009. Volunteers are the foundation of this yearly event. If you have a morning, afternoon or full day to share, please contact Linda Mackay at the EMOLTB office 519-672-3499 or lm@localboard.on.ca Visit the [SLOME website](#) for more details.

Hire an Immigrant



"Although immigration is on the rise in our area, our immigrant workforce is under-utilized. Employers need to tap into local workforce resources to find the skill sets they require." (TOP Report March 2009) Strengthen your human resources practices with comprehensive strategies and tools to recruit and retain skilled immigrants more effectively. [hireimmigrants.ca Roadmap](http://hireimmigrants.ca) Contact [WIL Employment Connections](#) for details on **local** resources for employers.

Designing Employee Compensation Systems

Learn more about managing the "people" side of your business. Compensation strategies have not kept pace with the speed of change in business. Now leading companies are revisiting their employee compensation systems to ensure alignment with overall business goals, along with a focus on retention and engagement of key talent. Wednesday, April 29th 8 - 11:30 a.m at the Best Western Lamplighter Inn, London. Email Jennifer Bernardo for more information: jbernard@ledc.com

Call for Proposal

The Office of Disability Issues has announced a **Call for Proposals for Small Projects Enabling Accessibility**, part of a \$45 million, 3-year commitment to expand opportunities for people with disabilities and improve accessibility across Canada. Deadline to [apply](#) is Monday May 4th at midnight. For more information call 1-800-622-6232 or email the [Program Support Team](#).

Women of Excellence



The YMCA of Western Ontario [Women of Excellence Gala](#) is a unique event hosted every two years by the YMCA in London. An evening of inspiration and celebration will be held at the London Convention Centre May 5th, 2009, starting with a reception at 5:30 pm. Proceeds from the Gala will support the YMCA's Strong Kids program. For ticket information call Marilyn Himbury at 519-667-3306 ext. 232 or email mhimbury@ymcawo.ca