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TOWNSHIP RECEIVES JOINT EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUNDING

Oro-Medonte, ON – The Township of Oro-Medonte would like to extend their thanks and appreciation to the federal government for the Joint Emergency Preparedness Program (JEPP) funding received, which provides various equipment to enhance the operation of the Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) for the Township of Oro-Medonte.

The JEPP funding is provincially managed by Emergency Management Ontario (EMO) on behalf of the federal government. The funding is on a 55:45 cost sharing arrangement, with the federal government paying 45%. The amount of the federal contribution is approximately $7,740.

The Township used the funding to purchase a radio repeater, with battery backup, to be utilized with the additional radio frequency that was acquired. The purchase of the telecommunications system will enable the Township to provide a reliable level of service and access in the event of a power outage and/or the Emergency Plan is implemented.

The Joint Emergency Preparedness Program was established in October 1980 to enhance the national capacity to respond to all types of emergencies and to enhance the resiliency of critical infrastructure. JEPP is administered by Public Safety Canada.

For more information regarding the Township of Oro-Medonte’s Emergency Response Plan, please visit www.oromedonte.ca

Oro-Medonte is a diverse and beautiful community with a central location in Ontario. A community of 20,078 full-time residents, Oro-Medonte covers a land area of 61,000 hectares, stretching from the northern border of Barrie and Lake Simcoe to the southern fringes of Orillia and north to Tay and Severn Townships. For more information, please visit our website www.oromedonte.ca.

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