

ONTARIO SEEKS INPUT ON DRAFT ACCESSIBILITY STANDARD*McGuinty Government Takes Steps To Break Down Barriers For People With Disabilities***NEWS**

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Ontario is seeking input on the initial proposed built environment accessibility standard, which was released today for public review.

The proposed accessibility standard was developed by a committee of people from the disability and business communities. It aims to break down barriers in buildings and other structures for people with disabilities by proposing requirements in areas such as:

- Entrances, doorways and ramps
- Parking spaces
- Signs and displays
- Recreation, such as parks and trails.

The committee wants Ontarians to [provide their feedback](#) to help shape a final proposed accessibility standard that will be submitted to the Ontario government for consideration.

QUOTE

“The release of this standard for public review is an important first step towards making Ontario buildings and spaces more accessible for people with disabilities. Now, public feedback will help shape a standard that makes sense for everyone.”

— [Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Community and Social Services](#)

“Our diverse committee worked hard to draft this initial proposed accessible built environment standard. With your help, we can finalize this standard and include the input of people across Ontario.”

— Ron Meredith-Jones, Chair of the Accessible Built Environment Standards Development Committee

QUICK FACTS

- Under its [accessibility legislation](#), the province has a goal to make Ontario accessible by 2025 through the development of [standards](#).
- The initial proposed built environment standard was developed by [46 people](#) from a variety of sectors.

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