

**Dear Mayor and Council:**

**Date:**

I (we) are writing because you are in a position to make our community more walkable. I (we) have taken a walk around our neighbourhood, rated the walk and identified the things that are working well and issues we would like to see addressed.

I (we) are:  resident(s)  parent(s)  family  student(s)  teacher/principal  school community  
 business/workplace  community group  \_\_\_\_\_

**Sidewalks** (existence, sufficient, clear of barriers, condition, maintained)

**Comments:**

**Access to Places I Go Regularly** (work, school, shops easy to access and within walking distance)

**Comments:**

**Variety** of homes, schools, businesses, shops, services etc. are present

**Comments:**

**Links Between Places** (connection between sidewalks, trails, pathways, bike lanes, public transit)

**Comments:**

**Public Gathering Places** (secure, attractive, active spaces as focal points for community, where

**Comments:** people can gather)

**Visual Appeal** (interesting with presence of shade trees, gardens, benches and well maintained)

**Comments:**

**Safety** (sidewalks separate from traffic, visible signage, well-marked crosswalks, traffic signals are well-timed for pedestrian crossing, cars are travelling at safe speeds, adequate lighting)

**Comments:**

What has been identified relates to the overall community

What has been identified relates to a specific neighbourhood (name the area) \_\_\_\_\_

Although a reply letter may be sent from Mayor and Council, I (we) would like a councillor to contact me (us) at \_\_\_\_\_

to discuss how to make our community / neighbourhood more walkable.

***Thank-you***

**Are you concerned about being able to walk and wheel/cycle around your neighbourhood?  
Writing to your mayor and council could make a difference.**



**I can walk to the grocery store**  
[www.iCANwalk.ca](http://www.iCANwalk.ca)

- 1. Read** the "I Can Walk to the Store, Can You?" brochure
- Walk around your neighbourhood and **complete the checklist** "How Walkable is Your Community"
- Complete and **mail this letter** and attach the checklist(s)
- As well as sending this letter, further action may be achieved by meeting or speaking with your councillor, finding out if the issue is already on a municipal agenda, joining others in your community, making a presentation to a committee of council or a deputation to council.

**Addresses for municipalities within Simcoe and Muskoka:**

City of Barrie  
70 Collier Street (Box 400)  
Barrie, ON L4M 4T5

City of Orillia  
50 Andrew Street S, Suite 300  
Orillia, ON L3V 7T5

Town of Bradford West  
Gwillimbury  
Administration Centre / Office of  
the Mayor  
100 Dissette Street, Units 7 & 8  
P.O. Box 100  
Bradford, ON L3Z 2A7

Town of Collingwood  
97 Hurontario Street  
P.O. Box 157  
Collingwood, ON L9Y 3Z5

Town of Innisfil  
2101 Innisfil Beach Rd  
Innisfil, ON L9S 1A1

Town of Midland  
575 Dominion Ave  
Midland, ON L4R 1R2

Town of Bracebridge  
1000 Taylor Court  
Bracebridge, ON P1L 1R6

Town of Gravenhurst  
190 Harvey Street  
Gravenhurst, ON P1P 1S9

Town of New Tecumseth  
Box 910  
10 Wellington Street East  
Alliston, ON L9R 1A1

Town of Penetanguishene  
10 Robert Street West  
PO Box 5009  
Penetanguishene, ON  
L9M 2G2

Town of Wasaga Beach  
30 Lewis Street  
Wasaga Beach, ON L9Z 1A1

Township of Adjala-Tosorontio  
7855 30<sup>th</sup> Sideroad, RR1  
Alliston, ON L9R 1V1

Township of Clearview  
Box 200  
217 Gideon Street  
Stayner, ON L0M 1S0

Township of Essa  
Administration Centre  
5786 County Road 21  
Utopia, ON L0M 1T0

Township of Georgian Bay  
99 Lone Pine Road  
Port Severn, ON L0K 1S0

Township of Lake of Bays  
1012 Dwight Beach Rd  
Dwight, ON P0A 1H0

Town of Huntsville  
37 Main Street East (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)  
Huntsville, ON P1H 1A1

Township of Oro-Medonte  
148 Line 7 South  
Oro, ON L0L 2X0

Township of Ramara  
2297 HWY 12  
PO Box 130  
Brechin, ON L0K 1B0

Township of Severn  
PO Box 159  
Orillia, ON L3V 6J3

Township of Springwater  
Lower East Wing,  
Simcoe County Administration  
Centre  
1110 HWY 26  
Midhurst, ON L0L 1X0

Township of Tay  
450 Park Street  
PO Box 100  
Victoria Harbour, ON L0K 2A0

Township of Tiny  
130 Balm Beach Rd West  
RR1 Perkinsfield, ON L0L 2J0

Township of Muskoka Lakes  
PO Box 129  
1 Bailey Street  
Port Carling, ON P0B 1J0