Peel Regional Snapshot 2024

PCAWA
PEEL COMMITTEE AGAINST WOMEN ABUSE

Founded in 1984, PCAWA is a cross-sectoral community collaborative of community members and organizations in Peel that have a shared goal of ending gender-based violence.

SURVIVOR SUPPORTS

14,432
Survivors who accessed community support services through a PCAWA partner agency

(Safe Centre of Peel, Catholic Family Services Peel Dufferin, Roots Community Services, Moyo, My Neighbourhood Services, Family Transition Place, Armagh, Caledon Dufferin Victim Services, Victim Services of Peel, Embrave, Indus Community Services)

26,506
Crisis calls and self-referrals for support from survivors

(Safe Centre of Peel, Caledon Dufferin Victim Services, Victim Services of Peel, Embrave)

1,670
Referrals made for survivors

(Safe Centre of Peel, My Neighbourhood Services, Caledon Dufferin Victim Services, Embrave)

CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

7,274
Children that were referred to CAS that were exposed to intimate-partner violence

This represents 36% of all children referred to CAS

(Peel CAS, 2024)

HEALTHCARE

201
Sexual Assault Evidence Kits delivered to survivors

364
acute initial visits to Chantel's Place for Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence and/or Human Trafficking

(Chantel's Place, 2024)

POLICING & JUSTICE

445
incidents reported of sexual violence

10,155
incidents reported of intimate-partner violence

482
incidents reported of strangulation related to intimate-partner violence

(Peel Regional Police, Caledon OPP, 2024)

2 femicides took place in Peel Region in 2024

LIVING WAGE

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A living wage is the hourly wage a worker needs to earn to cover their basic expenses and participate in their community.

PEEL 2024 LIVING WAGE
$26.00

ONTARIO MINIMUM WAGE
$17.60

67%
OF THE INCOME NEEDED TO COVER BASIC LIVING EXPENSES IN PEEL IS COVERED BY MINIMUM WAGE
(Ontario Living Wage Network, 2024)

HOMELESSNESS

Region of Peel 2024 Point in Time (PiT) Count Results:

2799 individuals
experiencing homelessness

223% increase
in overall homelessness in Peel compared to 2021 Pit Count when including asylum claimants

12% increase in women experiencing homelessness when compared to 2021.
→ Women represented **40%** of PiT Count respondents

27% of women
reported housing loss due to conflict or abuse with a partner/spouse or parent/guardian

FOOD INSECURITY

In 2023, 1 in 4 Peel residents (22.9%) experienced food insecurity
(Household Food Insecurity Snapshot | Public Health Ontario, 2024)

POVERTY AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

198,930 individuals or 13%
of the population in Peel live in poverty
(Stats Can, 2022)

25,000 or more
of Peel's population are in receipt of Ontario Works (OW)
(Region of Peel, 2024)

SHELTER & HOUSING

Peel's emergency shelter system is operating above
290 - 400% Occupancy

1 in 5 Households
in Peel are living in core housing need.

32,329 Households
households in Peel are on the Centralized Wait List for Subsidized Housing

A **12%** increase since 2022 and a **32%** increase since 2020
(Region of Peel)