

DROP YOUR ANCHOR IN LAMBTON SHORES

A newcomer's guide for living in Lambton Shores



THE MUNICIPALITY OF

LAMBTON SHORES

Welcome to the Municipality of Lambton Shores!

Our sparkling blue waters, sandy shorelines, heritage forests, and charming small-town atmosphere makes Lambton Shores a summer destination of choice for visitors, but it is not hard to see why many call Lambton Shores home!

Beaches, trails, campgrounds, markets and endless entertainment options make Lambton Shores an exciting and vibrant place to live year round. Historic towns and villages host unique shops and restaurants, while nature enthusiasts love the abundance of wildlife, birds and butterflies found throughout our unique Carolinian and Oak Savanna forests.



WELCOME TO LAMBTON SHORES



Live theatre, waterfront recreation, mouthwatering local cuisine and the infinite number of activities in between provide a variety of ways to spend your free time, and the low cost of living compared to many Canadian cities will allow you to enjoy life's luxuries.

Our rural setting, relaxed waterfront lifestyle and friendly neighbourhoods are added bonuses to the low cost of living and convenient access to services.

Plenty of room for growth and opportunity await you in Lambton Shores. Read on to learn about what many already know - and what you need to discover - about our spectacular community!





Lambton Shores was a natural fit for us when we decided to relocate our young family! We have a big yard that our kids and pets can run and play in, and when we get tired of that, we can head out to a trail for a family hike. We love having all the opportunities you expect to find in a larger city – sports organizations, fine dining, live theatre and entertainment all set in a laid-back small town lifestyle. We felt like we were at home right away, and we are so happy to watch our kids grow in a community that is safe and friendly.

- Dave

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION!

Located near the southern tip of Lake Huron and Highway 402, Lambton Shores has easy access to London, Sarnia and the Bluewater Bridge border crossing. Windsor, Toronto and Detroit are all within 2.5 hours driving distance.

London International Airport (75 km) and Sarnia's Chris Hadfield Airport (49 km) are located on either side of Lambton Shores, making air travel a breeze, with larger airports like Detroit Metro and Toronto Pearson also within driving distance.

To Sarnia	56 km / 35 mins
To London	67 km / 47 mins
To Windsor	197 km / 135 mins
To Toronto	274 km / 165 mins
Highway 402	24 km

**Distances based on a central location within Lambton Shores*



ECONOMY AND OPPORTUNITIES

Tourism, agriculture and manufacturing are the leading drivers of our economy and there are plenty of opportunities for growth and new business. Lambton Shores is home to an incredibly supportive business community that loves to see new entrepreneurs thrive.

Average home prices in Lambton Shores allow for the typical Greater Toronto Area (GTA)

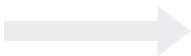
resident to own a home as well as a small business, for the same cost as their home in the GTA. Several organizations in Lambton County offer support and services to entrepreneurs and new businesses looking to establish themselves in the area. These organizations provide counselling, funding, assistance developing marketing and business plans, interpreting regulations, guidance with business name registrations, taxations and more.

Consult the back of this brochure for a list of organizations.

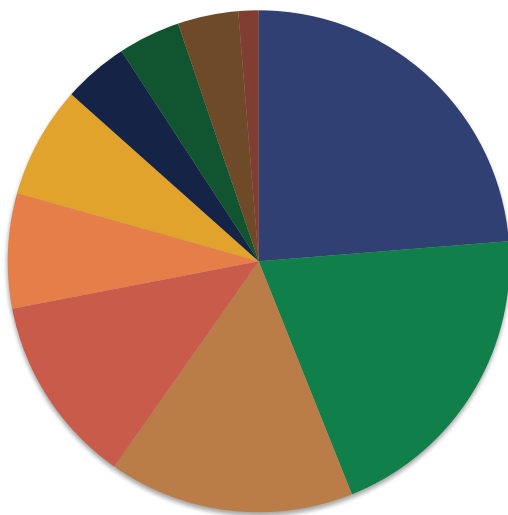


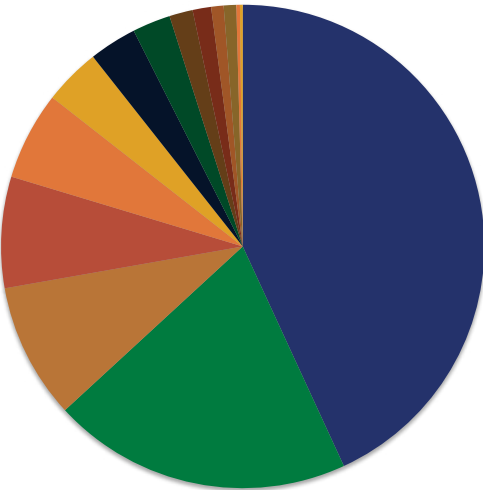
LABOUR FORCE BY OCCUPATION

2017 Statscan Census



- Sales & Service - 23.7%
- Trades & Transport - 20.2%
- Management - 15.8%
- Business & Finance - 12.2%
- Education, Law & Government - 7.4%
- Health - 7.2%
- Manufacturing - 4.2%
- Natural Resources - 4.0%
- Sciences - 3.9%
- Art & Sports - 1.3%





HOW YOUR TAX DOLLARS GO BACK INTO YOUR COMMUNITY 2018 Tax Year

- Transportation Services - 46.48%
- Policing - 21.58%
- Fire Services - 9.78%
- Arenas - 8.01%
- Recreation & Leisure Services - 6.36%
- Protection to Person & Property - 4.10%
- Solid Waste Management - 3.43%
- Parks - 2.75%
- Beach - 1.69%
- Community Centres & Libraries - 1.33%
- Economic Development - 0.90%
- Harbours - 0.90%
- Drainage - 0.26%
- Cemeteries - 0.20%

10,631  **32.1/km²**
POPULATION POPULATION DENSITY

331.20 km²  **7,008**
TOTAL AREA PRIVATE DWELLINGS
Within the community.



AVERAGE HOME PRICE
\$318,518



Statistics Canada, 2016





Know what's going on in Lambton Shores

Stay connected with us and
always be up to date with what's
going on in your community!

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Lambton Shores



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Lambton Shores is home to many amenities and services. Local volunteer fire fighters, EMS and Ontario Provincial Police keep our communities safe. We have many healthcare and wellness options within Lambton Shores, and hospitals are located nearby in London, Strathroy, Petrolia, Sarnia and Exeter. We are proud to be home to two Community Health Centres, located in Forest and Grand Bend, which provide programming and health services to the community. Financial services, schools, churches and a variety of utility companies are located throughout our communities.

UTILITIES

NATURAL GAS

Enbridge supplies natural gas services to most areas in Lambton Shores.
enbridgegas.com

ELECTRICITY

Hydro One supplies electricity services to all areas in Lambton Shores.
hydroone.com

GARBAGE & RECYCLING

Lambton Shores contracts waste disposal through the Bluewater Recycling Association (BRA). Collection for both garbage and recycling are done on a weekly basis. Wheelie bins are provided and fees for this services are included in your tax bill.

WATER

Municipal water service is available to most homes and businesses in Lambton Shores. Our water supply and distribution system is operated and maintained by Jacobs (OMI).

COMMUNICATIONS

Internet, telephone and cable are provided by Eastlink (eastlink.ca), Execulink (execulink.ca) and Hay Communications (hay.net). Excellent cellular service is available from major carriers.

POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION

High calibre post-secondary education opportunities including Western University, Lambton College, Fanshawe College and Westervelt College are all within a one hour drive!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

BOSANQUET CENTRAL SCHOOL

8766 Northville Road, Thedford
519-296-4962
bosanquet.lkdsb.net

KINNWOOD CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOL

63 MacDonald Street, Forest
519-786-5351
kinnwood.lkdsb.net

GRAND BEND PUBLIC SCHOOL

15 Gill Road, Grand Bend
519-238-2091
grandbend.lkdsb.net

ST. JOHN FISHER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

44 Main Street North, Forest
519-786-5201
st-clair.net/SJF



SECONDARY SCHOOLS

NORTH LAMBTON SECONDARY SCHOOL

15-17 George Street, Forest
519-786-2166
nlss.lkdsb.net

CHILD CARE & EARLY LEARNING

NORTH LAMBTON CHILDCARE CENTRE

37 Morris Street, Forest
519-786-6161
nlchildcare.ca

SMALL WORLD NURSERY SCHOOL

16 Allen Street, Thedford
519-296-4454



EARLYON CHILD AND FAMILY CENTRE

63 MacDonald Street, Forest
519-786-6161
earlyonlambton.ca

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRES

GRAND BEND AREA

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

69 Main Street East, Grand Bend
519-238-2362 (Primary Health)
519-238-1556 (Allied Health)
gbachc.ca

NORTH LAMBTON

COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

3-59 King Street East, Forest
519-786-4545
nlchc.com

HOSPITALS

BLUEWATER HEALTH

CHARLOTTE ELEANOR ENGLEHART HOSPITAL

450 Blanche Street, Petrolia
519-882-4325

NORMAN SITE

89 Norman Street, Sarnia
519-464-4400
bluewaterhealth.ca

STRATHROY MIDDLESEX GENERAL HOSPITAL

395 Carrie Street, Strathroy
519-245-5295
mhalliance.on.ca

SOUTH HURON HOSPITAL

24 Huron Street West, Exeter
519-235-2700
shha.on.ca

VICTORIA HOSPITAL

800 Commissioners Road East, London
519-685-8500
lhsc.on.ca

UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL

339 Windemere Road, London
519-685-8380
lhsc.on.ca

ST. JOSEPH'S HEALTH CARE

268 Grosvenor Street, London
519 646-6100
sjhc.london.on.ca

WALK IN CLINICS

SOUTH HURON WALK IN CLINIC

23 Huron Street West, Exeter
519-235-3343
shha.on.ca/wic

MD CONNECTED

29 King Street East, Forest
1-877-406-9362
mdconncted.ca

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gbachc.ca



We moved to Lambton Shores after spending many years vacationing here. We are nearing retirement, and wanted to be within an easy commuting distance to our children and grandchildren, while enjoying the recreational opportunities that Lambton Shores has to offer. We are a very active outdoor family, from boating, hiking, biking and snowshoeing – Lambton Shores has it all! We love the convenience of being near larger cities like London and Sarnia, without the stress of city life. We are thrilled to have made the leap from vacationing to full-time residents, and look forward to recreating memories with our children and grandchildren!

- Joni

PARKS AND FACILITIES

The Municipality of Lambton Shores operates two modern arenas and seven community centres. A private curling club is also located within the community.

Municipal parks and playgrounds offer activities for the young and young-at-heart with splash pads, soccer fields, baseball diamonds, skate parks, tennis courts, pickleball and more located throughout Lambton Shores.

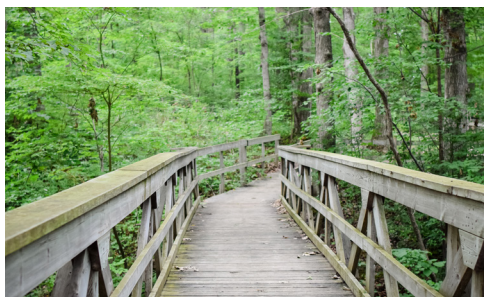
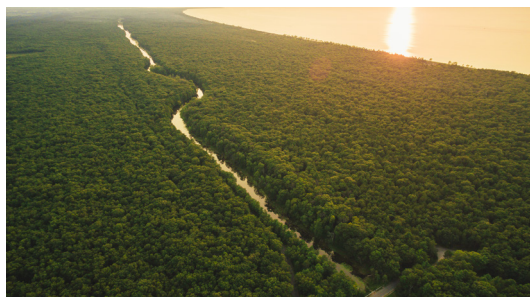
A golfer's paradise, Lambton Shores is home to six picturesque golf courses with an additional 13 courses in the Sarnia-Lambton area that are sure to challenge golfers of every skill level.



TRAILS AND CONSERVATION AREAS

There are many nature trails that twist and turn through a variety of landscapes including Carolinian and rare Oak Savanna forests.

We have three conservation areas and one Provincial Park within our boundaries. The Pinery Provincial Park located south of Grand Bend offers 10 walking trails, a 14 kilometre bike trail and 38 kilometres of groomed ski trails for year-round enjoyment. Canoeing, swimming, biking and camping are other popular activities enjoyed at the Pinery. Rock Glen Conservation Area is best known for its 10 meter high waterfall and the fossils found in the shallow waters below. Esli Dodge Conservation area is the perfect spot for a family picnic, and the trails in the Ausable River Cut Conservation Area take you on an adventure through towering sand dunes and tranquil forests along the shores of the Ausable River.



LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION

ON THE WATER

With over 30 kilometres of Lake Huron coastline, Lambton Shores is famous for our beaches! The bustling Grand Bend Beach is a major attraction, with its Caribbean blue waters, white sand, and internationally recognized Blue Flag status. The Grand Bend Beach has many amenities: lifeguards, washrooms, concession, splash pad, playground, concert stage and don't forget the world-renowned sunsets!

Pinery Provincial Park and Ipperwash Beach are also popular choices for beachgoers.

Lambton Shores is home to two Blue Flag designated marinas located in Port Franks and Grand Bend. There are also many private marinas and businesses along the coast that provide a range of services and boat rentals.

Lake Huron and other local waterways provide plenty of opportunities for fishing. There are several charters in the area to assist you on fishing excursions on the lake - fishing for salmon, trout or walleye on the open waters of Lake Huron is sure to provide a thrill for both new and experienced anglers!



ARTS & CULTURE

Lambton Shores has a long, rich history that is expressed through local artisans, museums and entertainment. Learn the stories of our past by visiting one of our three local museums in Forest, Grand Bend and Arkona. If you're looking for a unique piece of artwork that captures the essence of the area, one of the many galleries in Lambton Shores will have just what you are looking for!

Whether you are looking for a movie, live performance or outdoor concert, Lambton Shores has plenty of entertainment options! The Huron Country Playhouse features live plays on its two stages. The Rotary Community Stage in Grand Bend and the Forest Amphitheatre are perfect locations for outdoor performances and concerts.

If you're looking for a movie, take in a show at the Kineto Theatre in Forest – one of the oldest continuously operating movie theatres in the world!



SHOP LOCAL

Shops, markets, and services galore; our local, one-of-a-kind businesses help maintain the distinctive character of our community.



Foodies will love the plentiful farm-to-table options available in Lambton Shores. Whether you're shopping at a farmers market in downtown Grand Bend or Forest, or one of the many farm stands located throughout the Municipality, you'll be buying the freshest ingredients available.

LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION

FOOD & DRINK

There are restaurants throughout Lambton Shores catering to every taste. From sushi to burgers to fresh Lake Huron fish and chips you'll find something to fix your craving!

Lambton Shores is also part of the emerging Huron Shores wine region. Local wineries, breweries and cider houses provide amazing options right here at home.

The combination of food and beverage options in Lambton Shores celebrates the area's diverse agriculture offerings.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community events contribute to the vibrant lifestyle, and there is no shortage in Lambton Shores! Some annual events include: Paint Ontario art show and sale, weekly concert series at the Grand Bend Beach, sports tournaments, craft shows, a fall fair, and several Canada Day Celebrations. These events are organized by volunteers who dedicate their time for the love of their community.





After moving home from university, settling into Lambton Shores just made sense. As a millennial and as an entrepreneur, Lambton Shores is the ideal setting for building a web-based business with a strong emphasis on work-life balance. Great high speed internet... and who doesn't love working at the beach??!!

- Sarah

BRING YOUR BUSINESS TO THE BEACH



Lambton Shores is home to many thriving businesses from all industries. From agriculture to retail and everything in between, hundreds of business owners have set up shop in our communities and have experienced the many advantages of running a business in Lambton Shores.

With local business associations for support and affordable commercial real estate, not to mention the enviable work-life balance, Lambton Shores is the perfect home for your business.

RESOURCES & CONTACTS

Sarnia-Lambton Economic Partnership • sarnialambton.on.ca

Works to attract new industry to Sarnia-Lambton, facilitate the retention and expansion of existing businesses and attract and retain residents. Provides free business counselling to entrepreneurs and start-ups.

Sarnia-Lambton Business Development Corporation • slbdc.com

Offers business counselling services, business loans, business library and resource room and community economic development.

Grand Bend & Area Chamber of Commerce • grandbendchamber.ca

Supports local business and provides visitor and tourist services at the Welcome Centre in Grand Bend.

Forest BIA • shopforest.ca

Supports local business members within the defined downtown core area through events and promotion of the downtown and focuses on the beautification of the area.

Live in Lambton • liveinlambton.ca

Resources for new residents in Sarnia-Lambton.

Sarnia-Lambton Chamber of Commerce • slchamber.ca

Provides assistance to businesses by connecting them to government, education, non-profits and other businesses in order to create and promote a strong business climate.

Startup Sarnia-Lambton • startupcan.ca

Provides a range of services to entrepreneurs and start-ups in the region including workspace, coaching and funding.

Sarnia-Lambton Workforce Development Board • slwdb.org

Identifies needs and facilitates solutions to attract, train and retain a sustainable workforce through community partnerships.

SETTLEMENT SERVICES

Settlement Services Outreach • liveinlambton.ca

The Lambton County library system provides space for both of Sarnia-Lambton's settlement agencies, YMCA Sarnia-Lambton and Association canadienne-française de l'Ontario (ACFO), to meet with clients and to provide information on their services to those who cannot travel into Sarnia. Information on times, dates and branch locations for this outreach can be found in the library website's News & Events section (lclibrary.ca).

Local Immigration Partnership • liveinlambton.ca

The Local Immigration Partnership is here to improve access to effective services that facilitate settlement and integration for immigrants and newcomers.

Services include improving access to the labour market for immigrants and newcomers, increasing the community's capacity to support and provide services to immigrants and newcomers, and creating a welcoming community that supports the inclusion of immigrants and newcomers in Sarnia-Lambton.



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