

2025 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear MEA Members:

It is both an honour and a privilege to step into the role of President for 2024-2025. I look forward to building on the MEA's remarkable legacy of advancing municipal engineering and shaping the communities we serve.

First, I would like to extend heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing President, Matt Miedema, for his exceptional leadership. Matt's vision, dedication, and passion have profoundly shaped the MEA, leaving a lasting impact. We sincerely thank him for his invaluable contributions.

As we welcome in a new chapter, I extend my gratitude to the Executive Board, staff, and volunteers whose dedication drives the MEA's progress. Special recognition goes to Dan Cozzi, Executive Director; Rishabh Sharma, Technical Services Coordinator; Paul Knowles, MCEA Advisor; and Kate Crouse, Administrative Support. Their expertise and behind-the-scenes efforts ensure the organization's seamless operation and continued growth.

The MEA is committed to equipping our members with the skills and connections needed to address emerging challenges. From advancing climate adaptation strategies to exploring smart city technologies, technical proficiency remains the foundation of our profession. This year, we will broaden the scope of our workshops and training programs, support the advancement of Ontario Provincial Standards (OPS), and deliver associated training sessions, now offered through the Guelph Road School.

As engineers, our work has a lasting impact on communities across the province. To ensure our association reflects this diversity, fostering an inclusive culture is paramount. This year, we will strengthen our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI). Through skill development, mentorship programs, and the development of inclusive policies, we aim to cultivate an environment where every voice is heard and valued.

Our work extends beyond individual projects; it influences policy, infrastructure, and economic growth. This year, we will enhance our advocacy efforts, collaborating with our partner organizations and provincial leaders to champion the needs and priorities of our members and their respective municipalities.

I extend my sincere gratitude to outgoing Board members, Chris Traini and Catherine Taddo, for their years of dedicated service and significant contributions to the advancement of the MEA. We wish them all the best in their future endeavors. At the same time, we are thrilled to welcome Ashley Rammeloo and Imran Khalid to the Board. Your insights and expertise will undoubtedly enrich our work and I look forward to the progress we will achieve together.

Looking ahead to the 2025 Annual Conference in London, I urge you all to stay engaged with the MEA; join a committee, share your ideas, and help shape our future.

Here is to a successful and fulfilling year ahead. Please feel free to reach out anytime at president@municipalengineers.on.ca.

Yours sincerely,



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