



# THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWOLD

## Planner

The predominantly rural community of the Township of Southwold has a strong agricultural base and is located in the central part of Elgin County. Incorporated in 1852, the Township includes the development areas of Fingal, Iona, Iona Station, Paynes Mills, Shedden and Talbotville. Our offices are an easy commute from both London and St. Thomas. Our municipal office is located at 35663 Fingal Line, Fingal, ON.

With a total population approaching 5,000 residents, the Municipality offers beautiful countryside and a wonderful blend of active farms, historic villages and tourism. The Municipality is experiencing significant growth in our development areas and boasts nearly 2,000 acres of industrial lands ready for development. Learn more about us at [www.southwold.ca](http://www.southwold.ca).

Reporting directly to the Director of Infrastructure and Development Services, the Planner is responsible for providing a full range of policy development and reviewing/processing development applications under the Planning Act and other legislation. Provides professional planning advice and recommendations to all levels of Township staff, Council, affected agencies, the public and all other stakeholders, tribunals and courts to guide the growth and development in the Township of Southwold.

Ideal candidate will bring:

- University degree in a Planning Program or a related discipline.
- Registered Professional Planner designation from the Ontario Professional Planners Institute, or equivalent.
- A minimum of four to five years responsible planning experience, preferably within a municipal planning environment and preferably within an agricultural and/or small-town context.
- Demonstrated excellent verbal, written (Including report writing), presentation and related communication skills.
- Excellent research, analytical, organizational, time management, communication, independent decision making, problem solving and negotiation skills.
- Ability to interact harmoniously and diplomatically with the public, development industry and elected officials.
- Comprehensive understanding of the Planning Act, other relevant statutory documents, Provincial Policy, and planning processes.
- Proficiency in Microsoft Office and internet software.
- Valid drivers' licence, the use of a vehicle, and the ability to travel as required to fulfil job responsibilities.

The pay rate is \$90,781.60 - \$103,157.60 annually, based on 35 hours per week, commensurate with qualifications and experience. The Township of Southwold also offers competitive benefits and participation in

the OMERS pension plan, a compressed work week arrangement (4 day work week), and flexible work from home options. This is a permanent full-time position. To view the complete job description, please visit: <http://southwold.ca/municipal-office/employment>

To further explore opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to [hr@southwold.ca](mailto:hr@southwold.ca). Please specify "Planner" in the subject line. This posting will remain open until filled.

The Township of Southwold is an equal opportunity employer. Disability related accommodations are available for all parts of the recruitment process. Applicants need to make their needs known in advance. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the information gathered will be used solely for candidate selection purposes only. Thank you for your interest, however only those selected for interviews will be contacted.