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## Ready, Set....Less Than One Month to Go Before Celebrations Engage!

As summer comes to a close, Residents' Council Week is just around the corner! With celebrations taking place September 14-20, there are only a few short weeks remaining to get your plans underway.

Whether you're in the early stages of planning or putting the finishing touches on your activities, these steps will help you make the week engaging, impactful, and memorable:



### Step one: Open your celebration box with your Council.

Mid-July, OARC shipped every home in Ontario a special edition celebration box full of materials to help inspire your planning. If you have yet to receive yours, please reach out to us at [info@ontarc.com](mailto:info@ontarc.com) or contact your Regional Coach.

### Step two: Set time on your Council meeting agenda for planning.

What will your week of celebrations look like? Will you plan a recognition event? Host a meet and greet? Attend OARC's special Residents' Council Week webinar or join a Resident Forum? Is your home participating in LTC Community Engagement Day?

OARC has prepared a comprehensive planning guide full of celebration ideas available in English and French:

► **English:** <https://shorturl.at/1QSdj>

► **French:** <https://shorturl.at/q6qas>

### **Step three: Create your Brag Boards and send us your submission!**

Submissions have started rolling in, and we're so impressed by all the amazing events and accomplishments Residents' Councils have achieved together with their home leadership and staff. The contest submission deadline is September 14th, just in time to showcase your boards during the celebration week!

► **For contest details, visit:**  
<https://shorturl.at/f5Jrp>

### **Step four: Join the celebrations!**

Follow and post to the social media hashtag #RCWeek to share your home's celebrations! Remember to tag us @ Ontario Association of Residents Councils so we can celebrate with you.

**No social accounts?** Email us your photos and celebration event and we'll share your story in our OARC communications! Email Stephanie Buosi at [sbuosi@ontarc.com](mailto:sbuosi@ontarc.com).

## **New Colouring Page!**

Did you know OARC has free downloadable activity sheets and colouring pages created especially for Residents' Council Week?

► **Download the new colouring sheet here:**  
<https://shorturl.at/lpQxZ>

► **Browse our full list of resources here:**  
<https://shorturl.at/BYwW3>

