



# Your 2011 JumpStart Checklist

Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce

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## Market Your Business Through The Chamber

- Be a member of the Greater Oshawa Chamber Commerce
- Review your Member Package when it arrives
- Review and return your Member Verification Report to ensure we have the correct information on file
- Prominently display your Chamber Membership Plaque
- Submit your 100 word business description and business logo for your **FREE** enhanced online member directory listing
- Submit your 200 word business profile and business logo for inclusion in the Business Matters (printed newsletter) "Member Profile" section
- Get a Chamber logo to put on your website
- Use your Chamber Discount Coupon to get your **FREE** copy of the Chamber Mailing List
- Review your **FREE** copy of the Chamber member printed Business Directory and use it – we encourage our members to SHOP MEMBERS FIRST!
- Submit a Member 2 Member (M2M) Discount to promote a sale, special promotion, or discount to your fellow members via the Chamber's website
- Submit your business events to be included on the Chamber's website, eNews and calendar of events
- Find the Chamber Events calendar online at [www.oshawachamber.com](http://www.oshawachamber.com)
- Visit the website weekly to view new events and the latest news

## Chamber Perks – Member Only Discounts

- Register for the Merchant Visa/MasterCard/Interac Discount Program – this is a **FREE** program
- Register for the Esso Gas Discount Program – these are **FREE** programs
- Review online M2M discounts for additional savings
- Group Insurance (Life, Health, Dental & LTD) Plan – available for as few as one employee
- Home, Auto and Travel Insurance Savings Plan
- Discount programs offered by Bell Mobility, Grand & Toy and Constant Contact
- Boardroom Rental – use Chamber Discount Coupon for additional savings

## Complimentary Services

- Ribbon Cutting Ceremonial Scissors for Grand Openings, Ribbon Cuttings and Special Occasions
- Certificates of Origin

## Attend and participate in the following Chamber Events:

- Please RSVP for events in advance and we will have your name badge waiting at the registration table
- JumpStart – Member Orientation, offered monthly
- New Member Breakfast, offered quarterly
- Business for Breakfast, offered monthly
- FREE** Lunch & Learn, offered monthly
- Women In Business Luncheon, offered quarterly
- Biz After Five, networking event
- Special Keynote Speaker events
- Spring/Fall Marketplace (trade show)
- Regional Chair Luncheon (January)
- Mayor Luncheon (February)
- Wine Tasting Evening at Parkwood (February)
- The Challenge – fun networking event (March)
- Annual General Meeting (April)
- Golf Tournament (May)
- Biz at Noon – Autofest Launch (August)
- Business Excellence Awards Gala (September)
- Curling Funspiel (November)
- Christmas Wine & Cheese (December)
- Volunteer at an event or on a Committee

## Publicity and Promotional Opportunities

- Submit some positive news about your business to the Chamber's monthly newsletter(s)
- Review and use Chamber Discount Coupons for additional savings
- eNewsletter (monthly to Chamber members)
- eNewsletter (monthly to expanded list)
- Business Matters Newsletter – Online & Printed
- Chamber Business Directory – Online & Printed **FREE** listing included with Membership
- Oshawa Visitor's Guide – Online & Printed
- Durham Relocation Guide – Online & Printed
- Tourist Information Centre (open May – September)
- Event Sponsorships
- Tabletop Displays at selected events

## Things to Know

We are affiliated with the following organizations:

- Canadian Chamber of Commerce
- Ontario Chamber of Commerce

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For member questions and answers, and/or to submit information, please contact the Chamber at [memberservices@oshawachamber.com](mailto:memberservices@oshawachamber.com) or call 905-728-1683.