

## ***What is Mundialization?***

Mundialization is one of the oldest of municipal peace activities. The word is derived from the Latin word “mundus” meaning “world”. It is an act whereby City Council declares its city to be a “world city”, interdependent with other communities worldwide. It involves the linking or twinning of cities around the world, in the belief that future peace and progress are dependent on co-operation, goodwill and understanding.

Linkages take place not only at the municipal government level but also at the citizen level. Mundialization fosters people-to-people linkages and friendships, to further peace, justice and understanding.

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## ***The Challenge of Mundialization:***

- to bring people and organizations together.
  - to rise above national borders and governments, beyond social, cultural, racial and religious differences.
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***“Planet Earth is our home.  
Humanity is our family”***

***- Oscar Rogers.***

## ***Hamilton’s Twin Cities***

Shawinigan, Québec	Canada	1958
Mangalore*	India	1968
Fukuyama*	Japan	1975
Racalmuto, Sicily	Italy	1987
Ma’ Anshan, Anhui	China	1987
Flint, Michigan	USA	1987
Sarasota, Florida	USA	1991
Valle Peligna, Abruzzo	Italy	1991
Monterrey	Mexico	1996

*\* Denotes a Mundialized Twinning*

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## ***Twinning Activities***

EXCHANGES: Citizen, cultural, college, university, student/youth, musical, trade/business, hospital and industry.

TWINNINGS: Cities and towns, schools, hospitals, universities, colleges and industries.

EDUCATIONAL: Homestay, letter writing, book and art exchanges, newsletters, photographs and movies.

AWARD PRESENTATION: World Citizenship Award

## ***The Hamilton Mundialization Committee***

On May 8, 1968, the City of Hamilton, by a resolution of Council, and witnessed by the Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations, was declared a World (mundialized) City.

The Mayor, the late Victor Copps, called upon the citizens of Hamilton to “pledge their efforts to the establishment of peace and to use all possible resources for the betterment of mankind”



The Hamilton Mundialization Committee is a council mandated advisory committee of the City of Hamilton. The Committee serves to facilitate and support peace initiatives and the twinning relationships between Hamilton and its nine twin-cities around the world. Its purpose is to assist City Council in implementing its Mundialization resolution.

## Membership

The Hamilton Mundialization Committee invites you to support its activities through an annual membership.

### MEMBERSHIP FEE

Individual \$ 10.00  
 Organization \$ 25.00  
 Membership Pin \$ 5.00

NAME:	
ADDRESS:	
POSTAL CODE:	
PHONE:	
E-MAIL :	
Individual Membership:	
Organization Membership:	
Membership Pin:	
Donation:	
TOTAL:	

Charitable tax receipts are available for donations to the Mundialization Committee.

Please make your cheque payable to:

**The Hamilton Mundialization Committee**

I am interested in being an active member of the Hamilton Mundialization Committee. Please contact me at \_\_\_\_\_

## Purpose

- To promote Hamilton as “A World (Mundialized) City” dedicated to global awareness, international co-operation and world law.
- To further the work of the United Nations through publicity and education and to have the United Nations flag flown with the Canadian flag from City Hall at all times.
- To undertake twinning programs in international cooperation with like-minded municipalities in this and other countries to foster an understanding of the increasing interdependence of the municipalities, peoples and countries of the world.
- To involve Hamilton citizens of different cultures, especially those from the countries of our sister communities, to share in our multicultural programs.
- To include representatives from City Council in the Committee for implementing the above programs.

### *Other activities supported by the Mundialization Committee include:*

Art Exhibitions	Conférences
Interfaith Presentations	Guest Speakers
International Fireworks	Potluck Dinners
Peace Gardens	Athletic Games
Student Scholarships	Forums/Discussions
International Food Festivals	
United Nations Day Celebrations	
Anti-Racism Activities	

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