

March 24, 2010 "Safewalk" Announcement Speaking Notes.

- Good afternoon and thank you all for attending today.
- I want to Congratulate everyone who worked together to make the "SafeWalk" program a reality. This program is one which gets right down to the needs of the community. Safely walking our children to and from school is a big responsibility which the Mornelle Court Residents Action Coalition has taken on. This program is a direct response to the community request from the community speak held last summer.
- Angela Bracket, Chairperson of the Mornelle Court Residents Action Coalition has been working diligently with all the Coalition Members to bring this program forward. The membership has been a great inspiration.
- I also wanted to personally thank Stephen Linton and Scott McKean of the Toronto Crisis Response team who have working along side the coalition.
- The Toronto District School Board has been a supporter of the "Safewalk" program from the beginning. They have been instrumental in organizing the children to be received in the morning and collected when the bell rings. Without their support this program would not have been able to succeed. Thank you Principal Kenneth Morden. A thank you also to Patrick Boland of the Toronto District School Board.
- Our efforts in working along side the Mornell community has brought about change. A positive one. We are working together and will continue to.

Other events and programs that the Coalition, Councillor Ainslie', TDBC, The City and TCHC have worked together on:

- March Break programs
- CPR training
- Annual Community BBQ
- Clean up Day
- Safety Walk Audit
- Town Hall's
- Community Speaks
- Ballet Program
- Monthly Coalition Meetings
- A great sense of positive energy in the community