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Dear Ward 43 Residents,

Happy Summer!! There are many events taking place in Scarborough and across the City. Be sure to visit the community events section to view the many planned events.

I have been working with many different community organizations to bring a community hub/trades training school for Scarborough East. Discussions are going well and we are hopeful that we may be able to be successful in securing the Sir Robert Borden BTI, 200 Poplar Road site for public services. Everyone's ongoing support has been very strong throughout. I will keep you updated on our progress.

This month City Council will be discussing the very important issue of developing Toronto's Transit Network Plan including the Scarborough Subway extension and the Eglinton East Crosstown LRT. I am not supporting the Scarborough Subway Extension, which is now being recommended to have one stop from Kennedy Station to the Scarborough Town Centre. The costs have increased over a billion dollars, and now put the funding for the LRT through Ward 43 at risk. [To view the report before the July 12 City Council Meeting please click here](#). The full plans for all the options may be viewed at the [following link](#).

The Eglinton East LRT ([link](#)) will serve many residents as it travels along communities who will have the benefit of travelling across Kingston Road and Morningside Avenue to a downtown destination as well as to the University of Toronto Scarborough and Centennial College. A petition has commenced in support of the LRT – Link to [Petition Support Scarborough East Improved Transit System](#).

Your participation for the Toronto Waterfront Project is also needed. Comments will be collected until July 12, 2016. A number of public consultation have taken place. It is now time to make sure your comments are submitted for the final stage of the Environmental Assessment process and we want your feedback. Please see [Section 26 of this report](#).

I want to wish you and your family a wonderful summer!

City of Toronto Councillor
Paul Ainslie
Ward 43 – Scarborough East

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1. Calendar

July 1, 2016	Canada Day
July 1, 2016	Highland Creek Legion Branch 256 Canada Day Celebrations
July 1, 2016	Scarborough - 2016 Canada Day Parade
July 2, 2016	Arts in the Parks by Toronto Arts Foundation. Morningside Park
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July 21, 2016	Toronto Police Services Board Meeting
July 21, 2016	Toronto Zoo Board Meeting
July 22, 2016	Toronto Region Conservation Authority Meeting
July 29, 2016	Rotary Club of Scarborough Annual Ribfest

City and Community Events

June 30th – Sept 1st [Scarborough Summer Fest](#) - Every Thursday Come out to celebrate St. Margaret's Parkette 4130 Lawrence Ave. East
Every Thursday
 2:00 p.m. – 6:00p.m. Face painting – entertainment - Giveaways

Summerlicious 2016

July 8 – 24 This year's Summerlicious will run for two weeks. The gourmet event features more than 220 restaurants, including 24 new locations. Reservations can be made directly through the individual restaurants starting today. [Summerlicious](#)

July 9 Lovin' Local Food Fest

11 a.m. to 9 p.m. The City's [Lovin' Local Food Fest](#) at Yonge-Dundas Square. A celebration of all things local, the free community event will feature some of Toronto's best chefs, restaurants, food trucks, breweries and wineries, along with concerts, a chef challenge, workshops, a family fun zone and a green street market.

Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr. (at McCowan & Ellesmere)

Live from the will present live music on the Scarborough Civic Centre main stage every **Sunday from 2 pm – 4pm.** [Event Schedule here](#)

Nathan Phillips Square

[Fresh Wednesdays](#) and [Tasty Thursdays](#) at Nathan Phillips Square this week will feature international dishes served by food vendors such as Beavertails, Fressy Bessie, and Liko's Hawaiian Barbecue. A farmers market is also held each Wednesday and Live from City Hall will present music each Thursday – as described in the next item.

Live from City Hall this summer

Live from City Hall will present live music on Nathan Phillips Square's main stage every Thursday this summer at 12:30 p.m. as part of Tasty Thursdays. This Thursday (July 7), roots reggae/Afrobeat band The Fugitive Minds will perform. The [Live from City Hall](#) free music series is supported by TD in partnership with Music Canada.

July 31 1:30 pm	City of Toronto Heritage Toronto Tour Guild Park and Gardens, 201 Guildwood Parkway
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August 25 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Councillor Ainslie Annual Community Barbecue Cornell Park, 18 Beran Drive
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August 27 12 noon - 5:30 pm	Councillor Ainslie Annual Community Barbecue 110 Mornell Court
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September 17	Friends of the Guild Park and Gardens - Fall Shoreline Clean-Up
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9:00 am Guild Park and Gardens, 201 Guildwood Parkway

September 18 Terry Fox Run
9:00 am – 1:00 pm Cedarbrook Park 91 Eastpark Boulevard.
West off Markham Road below Lawrence Avenue East

October 1 Councillor Ainslie Annual Environment Day
10:00 am - 2:00 pm Morningside Works Yard, 891 Morningside Ave

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2. Seven Oaks Community

7 Oaks Community Association
Email: 7oaksresidents@gmail.com
[Newsletter Here](#)

Request for Northbound Left Turn Priority Feature Time: [Link to Full Report](#) Morningside Avenue at Ellesmere Road (PX719)

Transportation staff were requested by residents to review the practicality of the installation for a northbound left turn "advanced green light" at Morningside Avenue at Ellesmere Road. Based on the review, it was concluded additional time for the northbound left turn priority feature is not recommended at this time.

This intersection operates on a fixed mode of control. The northbound left turn priority feature is callable and extendable by setback detector loop 6:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m., and 3:45 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., Monday to Friday. There are no left turn "advanced green light" for southbound, westbound and eastbound vehicles.

Message from the Seven Oaks Community Association President

Good afternoon 7 Oaks Residents,

The summer is upon us; and prior to all of us being off in many directions; to enjoy the summer weather and time-off; I thought it would be a good time to reach out to provide a small update on the efforts of your 7 Oaks Residents Association.

GOOD NEWS - 7 OAKS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION IS "OFFICIAL"

In my last message; it was mentioned that there was a need to reach 25 interested residents; as this is required by the city for recognition of our association. I am thrilled to say; that as of right now; the 7 Oaks Residents Association has a healthy 47 names on our member list. This has been communicated to the City; and our association has received confirmation of full recognition. This doesn't mean; we aren't happy to grow the 7 Oaks Family. If you have individuals that you have connected with; who are interested in being on our sign-up sheet; please forward their details back to me directly in an email (full name, address, email and telephone number). Help spread the word!

HIGHCASTLE PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH & WELLNESS NIGHT

Our association had a wonderful evening engaging and reaching out at the **Highcastle Public School (Family Wellness Night) - Thursday, April 28th**. Our Association was welcomed by the school Principal (Lori McMulkin); and offered a table in order to meet and greet neighbours. This event was a great example of community coming together; and how impressive the students of the school were as they co-lead the many wonderful events that all of us as neighbours enjoyed seeing and also participating in. Can't wait till next year!!

HOW CAN YOU GET INVOLVED IN THE 7 OAKS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION?

WEBSITE/NEWSLETTER

In order to be effective with our information sharing to the 7 Oaks community - we need to initiate a team to support two forms of communications; 1) Website and Email distribution; 2) Newsletter (both canvassing advertisers, as well as newsletter design and publication - in both paper and electronic format). I believe in giving tasks to a small group of people and entrusting them with that task...and offering support when required. I would like to put a call out for 2-3 individuals who would have an interest in this aspect of our associations' development to contact back to me via return email. If this strikes you as an area of interest; your support would be invaluable to helping us get the word out about 7 Oaks Residents Association. **FYI** - I have compiled a very healthy list of potential advertisers who are already interested in partnering with the association. I am happy to share the details with our team; once we have it struck. **FYI #2** - I am pleased to be volunteer #1 on this team and have already in the background done a bit of work on the website development. I would love to have a couple more sets of eyes and hands willing to work on this. Please join me!

DEVELOPING OUR MANDATE/VISION

If we are putting our names to this association; we all must have some reason or purpose in doing so....after all; staying on our comfy couches at home can be mighty tempting...while volunteering is often work and time consuming. Having said that friends....we are now just at the start of building the association; and in doing that; the association would very much like to gain some valuable input from each of you as we start and continue into our work as an association. If you have not already; we would love to have you complete our very short community survey - which we have been seeking input to. You can find the survey at: <http://goo.gl/forms/EmsvNJByEwwXmQFi2>. If you could take a moment and fill it out; it would be most appreciated.

WHEN & HOW OFTEN SHOULD WE BE MEETING?

Now that our association is "official"; we need to determine a schedule with regard to when and how often to meet as a full group. In the interest of working collaboratively with our community - I'd like to get a sense from the members in regard to this question. Please provide the association with your input in regard to meeting frequency and scheduling by offering your comments through this form: Please click: <http://goo.gl/forms/dxAzkEHv7h7h3x2G2> and help inform and help guide our meeting plans going forward.

I commit to everyone in our association to do my absolute best; always to keep in regular contact - and to get back to you when you have a question about what we are doing....or what we perhaps should be doing as an association. Have a happy, safe, and blessed summer.

Dan Nortes, President, 7 Oaks Residents Association, Website: [7 Oaks Residents Association](#)

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3. Curran Hall Community

<http://www.curranhall.ca/>

Curran Hall Community Centre Summer Programming: Registration is underway for Adventure Camp: Science and Adventure Camp at Curran Hall Community Centre: for children 8 – 12 yrs old. To register use one of the following methods: Touch Tone – [416-338-0000](tel:416-338-0000) Operator Assisted – [416-338-4386](tel:416-338-4386), Online: www.toronto.ca/torontofun or in Person. Other programs are also available on the site.

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4. Coronation and West Hill Community

<http://www.coronationca.com/>

City installation in your Community

This summer street new Transit Shelters will be installed along Morningside Avenue at Coronation Drive, Danzig Street, Lawrence Avenue East, Ling Road and Lawrence Avenue East at Overture Road.

Bell Canada Installations in your Community

Bell Canada has advised that they will be working on a project in your community - Cable Direct Buried to install new cables.

The work is scheduled on the following streets:

Rowallan Drive, Coronation Drive, and Gardentree Street: reference project #BGF-X8082.
Coronation Drive, Kitchener Road, Wagner Drive- reference project #BGF-X80825

If you have any questions please contact Bell Canada and Susan Cernele, [416-296-6160](tel:416-296-6160) susan.cernele@bell.ca

Enbridge Distribution Inc.

Will be working on a project on Cultra Square for a system reinforcement/maintenance to maintain system load – Gas Main Reinforcement.

If you have any questions regarding this project please reference project number: 10.12223050.16.

Contact information: Nevada Reed, [416-753-6233](tel:416-753-6233) nevada.reed@enbridge.com
<http://www.enbridge.com>

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5. Cedar Ridge Community & Cornell Community

Councillor Ainslie Annual Community Barbeque – Mark your Calendars for Thursday August 25!

Cedarbrae Library - Lots To Do!

Effective July 3rd 2016, the library will be on Sunday's from 1:30-5:00 p.m

There's a lot happening at Cedarbrae Library from movie night, crafting to writing resources. Take a look at the list of activities:

<http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/search.jsp?N=37867+37849+33110>

Meet a Settlement Counselor on 2nd and 4th Thursday

Ongoing event running from Thu Apr 02, 2015 - Thu Jun 29, 2017

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Karuna T. Wimalasuriya, Agincourt Community Services Association (Ph: [416-292-6912](tel:416-292-6912)) provides settlement services to new immigrants on 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month from 2 pm to 4 pm.

Robotics Fun

Tue Jul 12, 2016 | 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Use the Scratch and Arduino programming languages to help your robot use funky lights and perform cool dance moves. Customize your very own dance routines that can be activated by your command. Have fun dancing with your rob...

Newcomer Settlement Services

Ongoing event running from Fri Aug 09, 2013 - Tue Jun 27, 2017

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Drop in or call:...

Introduction to Digital Photography

Mon Jul 18, 2016 | 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

In this class, a professional photographer will teach you how to take great photos. Whether with a DSLR camera or your phone. Then learn to edit them on the computer to make them look professional...

What Home Buyers Need to Know

Thu Aug 04, 2016 | 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

What to do in today's market? Offers with no conditions? Buy or rent? Do I need a real estate agency? Buy privately? Sell privately? What questions do I ask about financing? And more. Presented by B2B Networking Group.

The Art of the Steel Pan

Mon Jul 25, 2016 | 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Join us in celebrating Caribana with the famous Forest Creek Steel Orchestra. They will take you through the history of the steel pan, its importance during the Caribbean Carnival and will end it off with a live performance.

Red Cross Babysitting Course

Wed Aug 10, 2016 | 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Learn basic first aid and caregiving skills. Get qualified and start earning money as a babysitter. A course fee of \$55 will be collected by the Red Cross representative on the day of the program. Ages 11 - 16 years...

Insta Essentials

Sat Jul 09, 2016 | 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Phone Photography Workshop for Teens....

Resumes for Teens and Recent Grads

Wed Jul 13, 2016 | 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Are you a recent university graduate or a teen who just needs help boosting your resume? Get solid advice from a career development professional and learn how to maximize your existing skill set, format your resume for specif...

Newcomer Settlement Services

Ongoing event running from Fri Aug 09, 2013 - Tue Jun 27, 2017

Location: [Cedarbrae](#)

Drop in or call:..

Teen, ESL & Newcomer Programs, Homework Help Leadership & After School

Every Tuesday (ongoing) 12:00 - 8:00pm Houri Sahba [647-338-6300](tel:647-338-6300). Services include providing information and support about legal, childcare, housing, health, education and other issues; providing support with applications for citizenship, PR card renewal, subsidized housing, EI, ODSP, OW and other government benefits; referral to other services if and when needed; referral to free certification of documents and commissioning services; and more.

Please bring your immigration document or Permanent Resident Card. The services are provided by Catholic Crosscultural Services and funded by Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

<http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/detail.jsp?Entt=RDMEVT143782&R=EVT143782>

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6. Guildwood Village Community

Guildwood Community Association Website: www.guildwood.on.ca

Guild Inn (Bickford Residence): Approved plans [following link](#)
Guild Park and Garden Management Plan [Website Link](#)

Map of Entrances [Link](#) during Construction period

Guildwood Farmer's Market is Back for all to enjoy!

I would like to thank Reverend Stephen Kirkegaard and the Church of the Holy Trinity Guildwood for hosting the Market at their site. Please visit often and support. **Every Thursday 2-7 pm, Mid May to Thanksgiving Guildwood Parkway & Livingston Road** [Like us on Facebook](#)

Delayed until 2017 - Guildwood Parkway – from Livingston Rd. to Galloway Rd.

The Local Road Resurfacing will take place in the Spring of 2017 – this will allow the current work to take place uninterrupted.

Request for Traffic Control Signal or an All-Way Stop Control: Morningside Avenue at Cumber Avenue / Fordover Drive - [Link to Full Report](#)

Transportation Services was requested to review options to install traffic signals at Morningside Avenue at Cumber Avenue / Fordover Drive. Based on the review of Morningside Avenue at Cumber Avenue / Fordover Drive, staff concluded the installation of traffic signals or an all-way stop is not justified at the intersection at this time. Currently there is an existing pedestrian crossover on the north side of the intersection.

The study results are based on a Traffic Control Signal Warrant study and an All-Way Stop Control Warrant study using traffic volumes recorded over the peak eight hours of a typical weekday. The results of our studies indicate that the technical warrants for these control devices are not met at this time.

This portion of Morningside Avenue is a four lane minor arterial roadway with a posted speed limit of 50 km/h, with sidewalks along both sides and the area consists mainly of residential land use.

The existing pedestrian crossover located on the north side of the intersection appears to be operating in a safe manner which is supported by a five-year review of the Toronto Police Service collisions records which indicates there have been no reported pedestrian collisions at the subject intersection.

Guildwood Public Library [link](#)

123 Guildwood Parkway
[416-396-8872](#)

Mark Lewis' Magic Show

Thu Jul 14, 2016
2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.
45 mins

[Guildwood](#)

Join us for fun and magic in a family friendly show with magician, Mark Lewis! Limited to first 40 children, ages 4 and up. Tickets will be handed out starting at 1:30 p.m.

Series:

[TD Summer Reading Club](#)

Categories:

[School-Age Children](#)

Mad Science at Guildwood Library

Thu Jul 28, 2016

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

60 mins

[Guildwood](#)

TD Summer Reading Club members: Join us at the Guildwood library to explore the "WILD" world of Mad Science. Limited to first 30 children, ages 4 and up. Tickets will be handed out starting at 1:30 p.m.

Series:

[TD Summer Reading Club](#)

Categories:

[School-Age Children](#)

Debbie's Balloon Library Show

Thu Aug 11, 2016

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

60 mins

[Guildwood](#)

Join Debbie and her balloons for a show: packed with games, incredible balloon costumes, magic, cool music and lots of wide smiles. Watch Debbie as she transforms a volunteer into balloon butterflies, angels, monkeys, spiders, the selection is endless. This performance is fast paced, high energy and will have everyone wondering what will happen next. The best part is when everyone learns how to make their very own balloon dog and may take it home to love. Limited to first 40 children, ages 4 and up. Tickets will be handed out starting at 1:30 p.m.

Series:

[TD Summer Reading Club](#)

Categories:

[School-Age Children](#)

Baby Time: Music

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. on recurring dates listed below

30 mins

[Guildwood](#)

Ages: Newborn to 18 months.

Children and their caregivers enjoy stories, songs and rhymes. No Registration required. Drop in only but limited to 12 per session.

Series:

[Ready for Reading Storytimes](#)

Categories:

[Pre-School Children](#)

[Reading Programs & Storytimes](#)

Upcoming Dates:

Wed Jul 06
Wed Jul 13
Wed Jul 20
Wed Jul 27
Wed Aug 03
Wed Aug 10

Guildwood Discussion Group

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. on recurring dates listed below
60 mins

Guildwood

Come to the library to discuss current events. Every third Friday of each month from 2 - 3 pm. No meetings during July or August. Please contact the branch to register. Space is limited.

Categories:

[Adult](#), ,
[Book Clubs & Writers Groups](#)

Upcoming Dates:

Fri Sep 16
Fri Oct 21

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7. High Rise Communities and Neighbourhoods

MornelleCAN mission is to improve the overall quality of life for residents of the Mornelle Court community by working together to achieve and bring forth change. We are dedicated to improving the health, welfare and safety of our neighbourhood and building.

MornelleCan Coalition

Facebook: Mornelle-Can-Coalition
twitter @MornelleCourt
Instagram: mornellecan

Mornelle Community Hub Opening

Held on June 24, the opening was a huge success with many residents attending to tour the programming space and speak with their neighbours. Visit the Mornelle Community Hub and participate in the programming.

What's around your community Brochure: [Please see the inside to view](#)

Search for the Stars Track & Field Meet' [Register and come out for fun and support the Stars! – Registration Form](#)

If you have a *Superstar* in your community who will be interested in competing at this event – we want to know! Outstanding, talented youth will have a chance to be profiled in a feature story! Please forward any information to myself by July 8th.

[Toronto Community Housing and the University of Toronto are teaming up to host “Search for the Stars Track & Field Meet” on Wednesday July 20, 2016 at the U of T Varsity Centre \(299 Bloor Street West\).](#)

Are you looking for your chance to shine? Want a chance to win a scholarship to train at the U of T Track Club? Register to compete today!

Not feeling too competitive? Register and come out for fun and support the Stars!

- **Who can register to compete:** TCH Youth age 6-17 years
- **Registration deadline:** Monday July 11th 2016
- **Time:** 10:00am-4:00pm

Enter as a team of 5-6, or as an individual to compete in the following events:

- **Sprints** - 50m (ages 11 and under), 100m (ages 12-14, 15-17), 200m (ages 15-17)
- **Ball Toss** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **Running Long Jump** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **High Jump** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **4 x 100m Relay** (ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17)
- **800m** – Open to all age groups

For more information or to register, please call 416-981-4093 or email activeliving@torontohousing.ca

Challenge for Toronto apartments and condos to reduce their waste

Almost half of Toronto residents live in apartment or condo buildings but they recycle and compost much less than single-family homes – diverting 27 per cent of their waste compared to 65 per cent for houses. Waste accounts for 11 per cent of Toronto’s greenhouse gas emissions and is the third largest contributor after transportation and buildings.

The City of Toronto is committed to improving waste reduction and diversion efforts by moving toward the goal of achieving 70 per cent waste diversion, which will preserve the capacity of our Green Lane Landfill.

All multi-residential buildings in Toronto can register to participate in the Towering Challenge. Over a six-month period starting in September, these buildings will try to increase diversion and reduce their garbage. The buildings that demonstrate the biggest changes in their volume of garbage, Blue Bin recycling and Green Bin organics will be officially recognized at an event next spring. Buildings pay for their garbage pickup but not waste diversion. By participating in this program, buildings will save money and have a positive impact on the environment. Solid Waste Management Services staff will provide resources and support to participating buildings. Apartment and condominiums that receive City collection services are eligible for the collection of Blue Bin recycling, Green Bin organics, garbage, yard waste, oversize items (such as furniture), metal items, electronic goods and household hazardous waste.

More information about the Mayor's Towering Challenge is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/toweringchallenge>.

A fact sheet on waste diversion at Toronto apartments and condominiums is available at <http://bit.ly/29e6lzc>.

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----- **8. My Work at City Hall** -----

2016.EX16.49 - Request for Implementation of E-Petitions System for City of Toronto
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.EX16.49>

2016.CD13.7 - Toronto Fire Services - Open Data
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.CD13.7>

2016.CD13.8 - Toronto Paramedic Services - Open Data
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.CD13.8>

2016.EX16.23 - 2016 Levy on Railway Roadways and Rights of Way and on Power Utility Transmission and Distribution Corridors
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.EX16.23>

2016.EX16.9 - Toronto Community Housing Corporation - Annual General Meeting and 2015 Audited Financial Statements
<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2016.EX16.9>

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----- **9. Council Highlights** -----

Council Highlights **Toronto City Council meeting of June 7, 8 and 9, 2016**

Council Highlights is an informal summary of decisions made by Toronto City Council. The City Clerk provides the formal documentation at <http://www.toronto.ca/council>.

Ten-year plan for cycling network

Council adopted a plan for the City's investment in cycling infrastructure over the next 10 years. The plan involves doubling the size of Toronto's existing network of cycling routes by connecting gaps in the network, expanding it into new parts of the city and improving existing routes. Several related motions were adopted, including one requesting a study of cycling on Danforth Avenue next year to coincide with findings of the current Bloor Street bike-lanes pilot project.

Toronto's long-term financial direction

Council requested the City Manager and the Deputy City Manager/Chief Financial Officer to report this fall on the City of Toronto's finances and budgeting, including ways to strengthen strategic decision-making and financial oversight. Staff are to report on multi-year expenditure management, multi-year revenue strategy and opportunities to optimize City assets to help address the City's capital funding deficit. Several related motions were adopted, giving direction to staff on topics such as service delivery and service efficiencies.

Hosting major international events

Council endorsed principles to use in evaluating opportunities for Toronto to host major events and approved a policy to guide the City when hosting international events. In adopting the agenda item, which was tied to an advisory panel's report called Bringing the World to Toronto, Council also accepted the offer of a privately funded feasibility report to determine costs and benefits if Toronto were to host Expo 2025. The report is expected in August.

Toronto's screen industry

Council adopted recommendations on Toronto's screen industry, including the establishment of a multi-division group that will work to maximize the City's support for film and television production. Council's action follows the Mayor's recent business mission to Los Angeles to promote Toronto's film and entertainment industries.

Licensing multi-residential rental properties

Council directed staff to consult with the public on a proposed multi-residential rental property licence and to report back this fall. The licence would serve as a regulatory tool contributing to the provision of safe and adequate rental housing in Toronto. About half of Toronto residents live in rental housing.

Apartment building standards

Council adopted recommendations addressing the City's audit and enforcement program for multi-residential apartment buildings. The Municipal Licensing and Standards division has run the building inspection program since 2008 with the goal of improving the quality of Toronto's multi-residential rental housing. One of the recommendations involves taking steps to create a rating system to identify building quality.

Developing TTC site at Yonge and Eglinton

Council approved a set of instructions to guide redevelopment of the Toronto Transit Commission's property at Yonge Street and Eglinton Avenue (southwest quadrant) as a mixed-use, transit-oriented hub. Build Toronto will be asked to consult with several City divisions and negotiate with holders of long-term leases at the site for the purpose of creating a comprehensive plan.

Mimico-Judson Secondary Plan

Council adopted a plan and design guidelines for developing the Mimico-Judson area of Etobicoke. The secondary plan takes a comprehensive approach to pursuing opportunities and challenges presented in the Mimico-Judson Secondary Plan Area, with the goal of encouraging continued business investment while providing new opportunities for residential development.

Power plant for Eglinton Crosstown LRT

Council supported taking steps to address community concerns about Metrolinx's plans to build a natural gas power plant in the Weston/Mount Dennis area to provide backup electrical power for the Eglinton LRT (light rail transit) line.

Addressing gun violence

Three separate motions on the subject of gun violence were considered by Council. A motion was adopted calling for City staff to work with the police and Toronto Community Housing staff on a strategy for this summer addressing concerns about gun violence in Toronto. Council also voted in support of a motion to ask the Province of Ontario to legislate a suspension of the Alcohol and Gaming Commission liquor licence for establishments where the Toronto police have evidence of multiple gun-related offences occurring on the premises. A motion proposing a City gun amnesty/buyback program was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.

Graffiti management – community murals

Council approved funding for 17 mural projects across Toronto to be delivered by community-based organizations under the 2016 StART Partnership Program. The program uses street and mural art projects to engage communities in counteracting graffiti vandalism and enhancing streetscapes.

City financial support for the arts

Council approved about \$8 million in grants to 11 not-for-profit organizations that deliver programming with significant cultural, social and economic impact for Toronto. In addition, grants totalling about \$1.7 million were approved for six local arts service organizations ("LASOs") across the city. The LASOs provide infrastructure for community arts, contributing to healthy communities. Council also approved an allocation for a program that assists the not-for-profit cultural sector with its capital repairs.

World Police and Fire Games

Council supported going ahead with next steps in the process for Toronto to host the World Police and Fire Games next summer, subject to the City receiving funding commitments from the federal and Ontario governments. A report says Toronto can expect a positive economic impact if it hosts the games, based on the experience of past host cities.

Marking 150th anniversary of Confederation

Council authorized the City of Toronto's collaboration with other orders of government, the private sector and the not-for-profit sector to promote and produce "Canada 150" activities across Toronto in 2017 to mark Canadian Confederation's 150th anniversary. Council directed that the City's planning for Canada 150 include recognition of the history of Canada's colonization and Toronto's Aboriginal heritage.

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10. New bicycle repair stops at TTC stations

The TTC installed 20 new self-service bicycle repair stops and upgraded bike parking at six stations across the subway system, as promised in the 2016 Customer Charter. The new repair stops and bike parking add to the nine bicycle repair stops installed last September, which allowed customers to complete minor bike repairs while commuting in Toronto.

New bicycle parking is now installed at the following subway stations:

- Rosedale
- Dupont
- St Clair West
- Kipling
- Spadina
- Warden

Repair equipment, which is secured by steel cables and includes wrenches, Allen keys, screwdrivers, a bike pump and wheel chock, is now available at the following subway stations:

- Lawrence
- St Clair
- Rosedale
- St George
- St Clair West
- Lawrence West
- Royal York
- Old Mill
- Jane
- Runnymede
- Ossington
- Castle Frank
- Broadview
- Chester
- Donlands
- Greenwood
- Main Street
- Victoria Park
- Leslie
- Bayview

Repair stop locations were selected based on a number of criteria, including existing bike parking, number of bike trips taken in the surrounding area, bike routes and trails in the neighbourhood, and the physical space at the station.

Find more information about the TTC's Customer Charter commitments [here](#).

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11. TTC Wheel-Trans services are changing – Public Meeting

[Link:](#)

The Toronto Transit Commission is asking residents to be involved in important decisions to improve Wheel-Trans.

You are invited to a public consultation regarding upcoming modernization changes to TTC's Wheel-Trans service. Learn about the TTC's family of services, expanded Wheel-Trans eligibility and more. There will be opportunity to provide your input.

**July 12 - Scarborough, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Scarborough Civic Centre, Rotunda Room
150 Borough Drive (McCowan Rd. & Ellesmere Rd.)**

Presentation will begin at 7 p.m. Refreshments will not be provided.

The following services will be provided at each location:

- Captioning Services
- Attendant Services
- Interpreter Services (incl. ASL)

For more information or to request specific accommodation, contact: Lito Romano, Community Liaison, TTC. wtconsult@ttc.ca 416-397-8699, TTY [416-393-4555](tel:416-393-4555)

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12. Supporting our local Food and Clothing Bank

Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities runs a local Food and Clothing Bank located on the main floor of 4100 Lawrence Ave. East apartment building. They run four Food Bank and two Clothing programs per week for local residents:

Food bank: Wednesdays 12:30pm-3:30pm - Thursdays 2pm-4:30pm and Fridays 10:30am-1pm

Clothing bank: Wednesdays 1pm-3pm and Fridays 11am-1pm

There is a great need for support as the number of people in need are continuously growing and organizers are asking for your support.

Food donations is always the Food Bank's first priority however other items such as hygiene products, diapers (both baby and adult) pet food etc. are always welcome. Even something as simple as empty egg cartons can make a difference as it allows volunteers to easily repack eggs for the residents to easily carry home.

For the Clothing Bank any donations of new or gently used clothing is always welcome, as well as clothing for babies and kids.

Donations can be dropped off Monday, Tuesday and Thursday mornings, through the main entrance to the building at 4100 Lawrence Ave. East, buzzer code 293 or 294. Alternatively you can make the drops at the back of the building at the door marked "FOOD BANK"

If you have any further question or would like to make arrangements for drop off please call the Food and Clothing Bank at [416-847-4147](tel:416-847-4147). More information can also be found at:

<http://www.centraleasthealthline.ca/displayService.aspx?id=51632>

or <http://www.schcontario.ca/contact-us>

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13. Making your properties safe this summer

With the start of the summer vacation period, the City of Toronto is encouraging residents to be sure that proper safety mechanisms such as window-safety latches and pool fences are in place to prevent tragedies, particularly involving children under age five.

For the protection of residents, City bylaws require the installation of window-safety devices on apartment windows that are more than two metres above the ground and are less than 1.5 metres from the apartment unit's floor – unless the window faces onto a balcony. The safety latches must prevent any part of the window from opening more than 10 centimetres.

Landlords, building owners and property managers have a responsibility to install and maintain window-safety latches in good working condition. A different device, such as a permanent guard/set of bars attached over the window, can be used if it provides the same degree of safety.

In addition, Toronto residents with private swimming pools, hot tubs or spas are required to safely maintain and operate them in compliance with City bylaws.

A swimming pool enclosure is required for all outdoor structures on private property that can be used for swimming, wading or bathing, and are 60 centimetres deep at any point. The enclosure can be a fence or wall and must restrict access to the structure. Gates must be self-closing with a latching mechanism at least 1.5 metres above the ground. Hot tubs and spas that do not have an enclosure must have a permanent cover that can be securely fastened and locked to prevent access while not in use.

Residents with concerns about safety latches or pool fences can contact 311 for further information or to request a municipal standards officer to conduct an investigation.

More information is also available at <http://www.toronto.ca/propertystandards>.

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14. Scarborough Subway Extension June 2016 Stakeholder Advisory Group Meeting Presentation

[Presentations and Minutes – please click here](#)

May/June 2016

- Public and stakeholder consultations
- Continue to refine technical work and business cases on current transit initiatives

June/July 2016

- Report to Executive Committee and Council
 - Report on full range of transit projects, seeking authority for next steps
 - Will be seeking authority to proceed to TPAP on Scarborough Subway

Summer/Fall 2016

- Transit Project Assessment Process for Scarborough Subway (subject to Council direction)
 - Consultation in the fall

Winter 2017

- Undertake *Feeling Congested?* review for priority projects
- Report to Executive Committee and Council on transit project prioritization

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15. Toronto Zoo What's New

BABY BLANDING'S TURTLES RELEASED IN THE FUTURE ROUGE NATIONAL URBAN PARK

The Toronto Zoo, Parks Canada and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority are working together to help recover a threatened species



Photo Credit: Heike Reuse, Parks Canada

The Toronto Zoo, Parks Canada and the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) reintroduced 36 baby Blanding's turtles to a wetland that will be part of Rouge National Urban Park in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) – Canada's first national urban park.

This is the third year Blanding's turtles – a provincially and nationally threatened species – have been released in the park. In June 2015, the same group of partners collaborated on the release of 21 baby Blanding's turtles in the Rouge and in June 2014, 10 baby Blanding's turtles were released.

The long-lived species, with a life span of up to 80 years, has inhabited the Rouge Valley for thousands of years, though prior to 2014 its future was uncertain, with as few as six Blanding's turtles remaining.

In February 2016, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, and Minister responsible for Parks Canada Catherine McKenna announced that Parks Canada would be making a \$150,000 contribution to the Toronto Zoo to support the Blanding's head start program in the Rouge.

The turtle eggs were collected from a stable source population in southern Ontario in 2014 and have been raised in a controlled environment at the Toronto Zoo over the last two years. The University of Toronto Scarborough has joined this head starting project and is assisting with long-term monitoring of the released turtles. Parks Canada, the TRCA and the Toronto Zoo believe that this type of head starting and reintroduction of the turtles, along with long-term monitoring and ongoing habitat restoration, are keys to the animal's survival in the future Rouge National Urban Park.

[CLICK HERE](#) for rich media (photos & videos) of today's Blanding's turtle release.

The public can help protect the turtles by avoiding their nesting areas and by contacting authorities if they observe harmful behavior toward turtles or suspicious behaviour in their habitat. The location of the wetland housing the reintroduced turtles will not be disclosed at this time to help minimize disturbances and give the animals the best chance of surviving.

[CLICK HERE](#) to report turtle poaching, please contact Crime Stoppers.

The Toronto Zoo and TRCA began collecting information on and monitoring Blanding's turtles in the Rouge Valley in 2005. Environment Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources

and Forestry provided funding, permits and in-kind support for Blanding's turtle monitoring in the Rouge Valley in previous years. With the area slated to become Canada's first national urban park, Parks Canada has come on board and will continue to work on a long-term turtle monitoring program.

Earth Rangers, an environmental conservation organization focused on engaging youth in the protection of nature, also provided support for the project by building a facility to house the turtle eggs and babies at the Toronto Zoo.

[CLICK HERE](#) for more information on the Blanding's Turtle Head-Start Program Reintroduction

About The Toronto Zoo

The Toronto Zoo is Canada's premier zoo and a national leader in saving wildlife to ensure the rich diversity of nature for future generations. More than a tourist attraction, the Toronto Zoo boasts a number of leading programs for helping wildlife and their natural habitats – from species reintroduction to reproductive research. A world-class educational centre for people of all ages, the Toronto Zoo is open every day except December 25 and attracts approximately 1.3 million visitors each year.

About Parks Canada

Parks Canada manages one of the finest and most extensive systems of protected natural and cultural heritage areas in the world, including 46 national parks, 168 national historic sites, four national marine conservation areas and one national urban park. A rich assembly of natural, cultural and agricultural landscapes, Rouge National Urban Park is home to amazing biodiversity, some of the last remaining working farms in the Greater Toronto Area, Carolinian ecosystems, Toronto's only campground, one of the region's largest marshes, a beach, amazing hiking opportunities, and human history dating back more than 10,000 years.

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16. East Scarborough Storefront – KGO Community

Please join Kennedy House Youth Services for our 7th Annual Community BBQ. This exciting gathering brings together residents of East Scarborough to celebrate our community and promote a safe and healthy environment for our children and youth. Come for entertainment, food and refreshments! There will be vegetarian and halal options available and plenty of activities for children.

Community BBQ Details: [Invitation Link](#)

The East Scarborough Storefront
4040 Lawrence Avenue East
Thursday August 11th 2016
1:00 – 3:00 pm

The Reading Partnership Summer Programs

The Reading Partnership is hosting free community events and programs for the summer.
<http://www.readingpartnership.com/about-us.html>

<http://eepurl.com/b5P2FX>

East Metro Youth Whats Up Mental Health Walk-In Clinic

East Metro Youth Services provides a "what's up" mental health walk in clinic for people under the age of 29. It has barrier free access, no appointment necessary. It's located at 1200 Markham Road.

Call [416-438-3697](tel:416-438-3697) for more information or visit emys.on.ca/getting-help/walk-in-clinic

[Toronto Community Housing and the University of Toronto are teaming up to host “Search for the Stars Track & Field Meet” on Wednesday July 20, 2016 at the U of T Varsity Centre \(299 Bloor Street West\).](#)

Are you looking for your chance to shine? Want a chance to win a scholarship to train at the U of T Track Club? Register to compete today!

[Not feeling too competitive? Register and come out for fun and support the Stars! – Registration Form](#)

Who can register to compete: TCH Youth age 6-17 years

- **Registration deadline:** Monday July 11th 2016
- **Time:** 10:00am-4:00pm

Enter as a team of 5-6, or as an individual to compete in the following events:

- **Sprints** - 50m (ages 11 and under), 100m (ages 12-14, 15-17), 200m (ages 15-17)
- **Ball Toss** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **Running Long Jump** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **High Jump** - Ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17
- **4 x 100m Relay** (ages 11 and under, 12-14, 15-17)
- **800m** – Open to all age groups

For more information or to register, please call [416-981-4093](tel:416-981-4093) or email activeliving@torontohousing.ca

University of Toronto: "Health Research Seminar"

University of Toronto is looking for opportunities for our students, to work on a community placement or project which you may identify, but is connected to the course material. We are primarily looking for Scarborough-based placement sites as most of the students in this course will be Scarborough residents.

The students will bring a range of experiences to your organization. Some of the students will have a background in the biological sciences while others will have more of a social science background. Many students will have had prior work experience, some of the students will have experience with volunteer placements in the past, and many will have fluency in several languages. Students will have an interest in helping and learning about your organization and maturity as an individual with at least three years of university experience behind them.

[Please find a request for partnership proposal here](#) with all details pertaining to this course. If you find that this opportunity is a good fit for your organization, please complete this online form by Tuesday, July 19 2016: <http://goo.gl/forms/TXjpRTMi9DPEGauZ2>
For more information: michelle.silver@utoronto.ca

[Understanding your Environment Course](#)

The East Scarborough Storefront is hosting a free 6 week "Understanding Your Environment" course in partnership with the University of Toronto Scarborough Campus.

A fun, interactive course that explores various issues around how humans interact with their environment:

- Why should I care about the environment?
- What does the environment do for me?
- I hear a lot about "sustainability"; what does that even mean?
- How can I help address environmental issues without affecting my own quality of life?

Featuring guest speakers, videos, and field trips. No previous knowledge necessary!

WHEN: Thursdays, 5:00-7:00 PM

Starting July 21st to August 25

WHERE: 4117 Lawrence Ave. East, Unit 100a, (The Point)

Registration required. To register please call or email Georgia at [647-347-1693](tel:647-347-1693) or gdeleon@thestorefront.org

Understanding Your Environment course [Flyer Invitation](#)

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17. Boys and Girls Club of East Scarborough

www.esbgc.org 100 Galloway Road, Scarborough

To see what trips and activities will be happening in summer camp programs

[Blazers](#) (6-8 years)- Boys & Girls Club of East Scarborough-100 Galloway Road

**This is program is full. Please register for waiting list.*

[Centennial Road Public School](#) (6-12 years)- 271 Centennial Road

[Hot Dayz](#) (11 & 12 years)- Boys & Girls Club of East Scarborough-100 Galloway Road

[Sports Camp](#) (6-12 years)- Eastview Public School-20 Waldock Street

[Stars](#) (9&10 years)- Boys & Girls Club of East Scarborough-100 Galloway Road

[St. Maria Goretti Catholic School](#) (6-12 years)- 21 Kenmark Blvd.

[St. Thomas More Catholic School](#) (6-12 years)- 2300 Ellesmere Rd.

[OEYC Summer Camp](#) – July (3.6 – 6 years) 20 Waldock Street

[OEYC Summer Camp](#) – August

[REGISTER HERE:](#)

After School Program Registration OPEN! Getting ready for the new school year

July 5, 2016 By [jstewart](#) [Leave a Comment](#)

If you are looking for an afterschool program spot in one of our 10 locations, don't wait register now. Spaces are filling up so register soon to avoid disappointment.

[REGISTER HERE](#)

18. Scouts Canada in 7 Oaks

Venturers is a part of Scouts Canada! For youth ages 14-17, we meet weekly and plan our Service and OUTDOOR adventures. The goal of Venturers is to encourage youth to plan their own adventures, with some adult guidance or advice. There is a Big World out there and we mean to embrace it!

Some Venturer Companies are hiking the Bruce Trail - canoeing Algonquin Park - learning vocational skills such as EMS with advanced First Aid. We help younger kids too and earn required community service hours to help us while at high school. We visit area businesses and learn about new careers. We are involved.

Contact Doug Ruggles, Venturer Advisor at [416-724-9215](tel:416-724-9215) for information on becoming a Venturer here in 7 Oaks. Or visit www.scouts.ca and click on Venturers. Join us - our motto is CHALLENGE. Fit us in to your young busy life - it is truly worth it!

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Scouting has never been more active in 7 Oaks... 1st Centenary is quietly meeting at our area schools, training new adult leaders and showing our youth the important of OUT in ScOUTing outdoors!

But we can still grow! Parents everywhere across Canada have seen the importance of reducing screen time and encouraging cooperative play with their youngsters. Scouting fits the bill perfectly!

Medical professionals have warned about obesity. Scouting trims that package neatly!

Business leaders are concerned that the youth of today will not be adequately trained for the demands of tomorrow. Scouts Canada with the funding of major corporations has introduced STEP - the first programme of its kind that shows girls and boys the fun of science and engineering in a play setting. Check it out!

We meet Wednesdays at St Edmund Campion and Highcastle PS. Times and age groups vary so give us a call at [416-724-9215](tel:416-724-9215) and explore what Scouts can do for your boy or girl, ages 5 to 26!!

Special Notice. IF you were an adult leader in Scouting ANYWHERE in the world, bring us a badge, hat pin, lapel pin or any other marker and we have a SPECIAL SURPRISE AWARD for you!! Ask for Scouter Doug

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19. July Flag Raising

FLAG RAISINGS AND HALF-MASTINGS

- July 1** Flag Raising - Canada Day
 Toronto City Hall
 Large Canadian Flag on Official Flag Pole
 No ceremony
- July 5 – 8*** Flag Raising - International Year of Pulses
 Toronto City Hall, Podium Roof Flag Pole
 No ceremony
- July 20** Flag of Colombia
 Toronto City Hall, Podium Roof Flag Pole
 Ceremony at 10:30 a.m.
- July 26 – 31*** Flag of Peru
 Toronto City Hall, Podium Roof Flag Pole
 Ceremony at 2:00 p.m.

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20. Construction Update: Guildwood GO Station Pedestrian Tunnel Installation

The next major step in construction is sliding the new pedestrian tunnels under the rail corridor. This work will occur over two weekends in July:

- Friday, July 8 at 8:00 p.m. to Monday, July 11 at 5:00 a.m.
- Friday July 22 at 8:00 p.m. to Monday, July 25 at 5:00 p.m.

While the tunnels are being installed, residents can expect to hear typical construction noise throughout the two weekends. We will continue to monitor noise and vibration during this work. Residents who use the Payzac Avenue walkway, may notice a change in the walkway. However, the walkway will remain open. Leading up to the two July weekends, there will be increased construction activity throughout the GO Station area (extra materials and equipment being delivered). There will be reduced station parking at times.

Thank you for sharing this update with your network. Carmen will return next week, but please feel free to reach

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21. TSH begins fellowship program to train ED physicians in advanced ultrasound skills

Program the first of its kind in a Greater Toronto Area community hospital

The Scarborough Hospital (TSH) is starting a new fellowship program for Emergency Department (ED) physicians to be trained in advanced Point-of-Care Ultrasound skills.

“Point-of-Care Ultrasounds are where the future of emergency medicine lies,” said Dr. Sachin Ramkissoon, ED Ultrasound Director at TSH.

“Instead of having to request and wait for an ultrasound from the diagnostic imaging department, these units can be brought to the patient and are used to determine everything from internal bleeding, to how the heart is pumping, to the location and health of a fetus. This means shorter wait times, better care, and an increase in patient satisfaction.”

Beginning in early July, two physicians will train in the EDs at TSH to earn their Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer certification and an Emergency Ultrasound Fellowship certification. They will be trained by TSH’s Emergency Ultrasound Fellowship Director Dr. Jeffrey Shih, who received his advanced Emergency Ultrasound Fellowship training at Yale University.

Bringing Point-of-Care Ultrasounds to TSH has truly been a team effort. In 2014, ED physicians funded the purchase of several probes and the software, collectively donating about \$30,000. This year, they donated enough to fund another four units at a total retail cost of more than \$200,000. The hospital’s two EDs now have six state-of-the-art Point-of-Care Ultrasound machines.

What's more, with the launch of the Fellowship program, Point-of-Care Ultrasound results are now being recorded electronically into the patient's record. Every scan is reviewed by either Dr. Shih or Dr. Ramkissoon.

"The review of all ultrasound images serves as a means of quality assurance that will increase patient safety, while also improving a physician's skills," said Dr. Shih.

Dr. Ramkissoon also points out that more than 70 per cent of ED physicians at TSH have been trained to the standards set out by the Canadian Emergency Ultrasound Society.

"It's all a part of our goal to deliver world-class emergency medicine care to our global community," said Dr. Ramkissoon.

Situated in one of the most diverse communities in Canada, The Scarborough Hospital's (TSH) skilled team of health care professionals works in partnership with patients and families to ensure high-quality, compassionate care that is truly patient-focused. Nationally recognized and award-winning for our demonstrated leadership in creating and promoting diversity, inclusion, and a healthy workplace, TSH delivers a broad spectrum of services from two hospital campuses (Birchmount and General) and five satellite sites. We are home to a number of regional programs serving the central east Greater Toronto Area (GTA) and beyond, including nephrology, vascular surgery, and vision care.

The hospital is recognized as a centre of excellence in paediatrics, orthopaedic surgery, cancer care, and mental health. TSH's team also helps bring life to our community through its integrated, advanced maternal and neonatal care (Level IIC). TSH has a long-standing affiliation with the University of Toronto (U of T), and is a partner with U of T on the new, first-in-Canada Centre for Integrative Medicine.

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22. Gardiner Expressway reopens four months ahead of schedule

The second phase of the Gardiner Expressway rehabilitation work, from Strachan Avenue to Bathurst Street, was completed on June 25 with the road fully reopened to traffic four months ahead of schedule.

Mayor John Tory announced last year that the expressway would open up to three months early thanks to an accelerated work schedule negotiated by the City and the contractor. It is

now expected that the roadway will be fully re-opened sooner than originally anticipated, exact date dependent on weather.

The final top asphalt surface of the expressway has not yet been placed so speed restrictions of 70 kilometres an hour will be in place between Bathurst Street and Strachan Avenue. The asphalt work will be completed during the full weekend closure of the expressway in the fall.

The City negotiated an accelerated schedule with the contractor to complete this work early. The \$3.4-million cost associated with the acceleration was used for additional crews, materials and equipment. Currently, the City of Toronto has estimated that the cost of construction on the Gardiner Expressway results in about \$1 million a day in lost productivity for commuters using the road as a result of increased travel time tied to lane closures related to construction.

While the work on the expressway is complete, construction activities under the roadway such as the coating of the steel structures, repair of the substructure (bents) and the installation of drainage systems will continue until October.

This construction project is part of the City's comprehensive, co-ordinated strategy to rehabilitate and upgrade Toronto's roads, transit and underground infrastructure for current and future needs.

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23. Heat Warning in Toronto – Precautions in Place

Heat Warning declared for Toronto

During a Heat Warning, the public is encouraged to call or visit family, friends and neighbours, especially isolated adults and seniors who are at greater risk of suffering from heat-related illness, to make sure they are cool and drinking plenty of fluids. Other groups at risk include people with chronic illnesses, individuals with limited mobility or certain mental health illnesses, infants and young children, people on certain medications, and those who are homeless.

Members of the public are advised to beat the heat by taking these precautions:

- Drink lots of cool water even before you feel thirsty.
- Go to air-conditioned places, including shopping malls or one of many local libraries or community centres located in each neighbourhood.
- Take cool showers or baths or use cool wet towels to cool down.
- Wear loose, light-coloured, breathable clothing and, when outdoors, wear a wide-brimmed hat.
- Avoid the sun and stay in the shade or use an umbrella.
- Reschedule or plan outdoor activities during the cooler parts of the day.
- Never leave seniors, children or pets unattended in a car.

Landlords of buildings without air conditioning are encouraged to provide a dedicated cooling room for vulnerable residents to escape the heat. Community agencies are encouraged to educate clients on the risks of heat-related illness and to call or check on those clients at increased risk of heat-related illness during warnings.

When a warning is declared, those who need assistance or have heat-related inquiries may call 311.

More information about how to beat the heat is available at <http://bitly.com/1ks3FTv>.

Air pollution often increases during hot weather conditions. People with heart and lung conditions, and seniors and children should pay special attention to the hourly Air Quality Health Index levels and forecasts available at <http://bitly.com/1neJmrP>.

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24. Joint Initiatives to Increase Community Safety

City of Toronto, Province of Ontario and Government of Canada announce new joint initiatives to increase community safety

Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Ralph Goodale, MP Marco Mendicino (Eglinton-Lawrence), Ontario Attorney General Yasir Naqvi, Ontario Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services David Oraziotti, Toronto Mayor John Tory and Toronto Police Chief Mark Saunders today announced three initiatives aimed at increasing community safety and decreasing violence in Toronto.

These initiatives are:

- A new Intervention Fund that will provide counselling and crisis response teams in neighbourhoods that have experienced violence.
- Through further supports from the Province's Situation Table initiative, Toronto's FOCUS program will expand efforts to identify individuals, groups or places that are at high risk of criminal behaviour and engage youth workers, police, and mental health experts to de-escalate violence and potential criminal behaviour as early as possible.
- Pilot a new City-wide program that would direct some youth charged with a criminal offence to community service as opposed to jail, offering them an opportunity to reintegrate into their communities.

These programs are in addition to ongoing enforcement and investigations of criminal organizations and gangs being conducted by Toronto Police in partnership with other police agencies.

A New Intervention Fund

The City of Toronto, in partnership with Toronto Community Housing, has created an Intervention Fund to provide services to communities where a violent act has taken place and has had impact on the communities' living conditions, health or coping capacity. Services include counselling support, provision of safe places outside the community for healing sessions, focus groups, creation of neighbourhood crisis response teams, youth engagement programs and relationship-building activities with the Toronto Police Service.

Expansion of the FOCUS Program

The Province of Ontario will provide temporary resources to expand the Furthering Our Community by Uniting Services (FOCUS) program through their Situation Table initiative, to expand it across the city. This innovative community safety and well-being initiative led by the City, United Way Toronto and the Toronto Police Service aims to reduce crime, victimization and improve community resiliency and well-being.

FOCUS brings a multi-agency team of local health providers, social workers, housing workers, justice professionals, mental health workers, youth workers and police to a weekly situation table. Together the team identifies individuals, groups and places that are at a high risk of being involved in criminal behaviour or harm to community members. By leveraging the skills and resources of the situation table partners, an intervention approach is determined and is acted upon immediately.

A New Pre-Charge Diversion Program

This fall, Pre-Charge Diversion Program will be piloted across the city. This program, supported by all three levels of government, aims to better leverage existing programs for support youth (ages 12 to 17) who have been accused of a criminal offence. As an alternative to facing criminal charges and going to court, some youth may be referred by police to attend a community program that will provide them with supports to reduce the roots of criminal activity.

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25. Traffic signal improvements expanded across the City of Toronto

The City of Toronto is expanding its signal retiming program, updating an additional 357 signals on 17 corridors to improve the flow of traffic. By the end of 2017, approximately 1,500 traffic signals – about 60 per cent of the city's traffic signals – will be retimed.

As part of Mayor Tory's six-point congestion management plan, signal retiming ensures signals are up-to-date and responsive to the needs of all road users. In 2015, signal retiming resulted in reduced travel times along 11 of the city's busiest roads.

The 2015 program, which saw 337 signals re-timed on 11 key routes, resulted in the following estimated annual improvements:

- 8.1 per cent reduction in overall vehicle delay (860,000 hours)
- 10.2 per cent reduction in stops (91,400,000)
- 4.7 per cent reduction in fuel consumption (4,900,000 litres), and
- 4.7 per cent reduction in vehicle emissions (117,000 kilograms of CO2 equivalent).

Additional information on the City's signal retiming program can be found at: <http://www.toronto.ca/signalsoptimisation>.

Transportation Services has initiated the following projects as part of Phase Two of the congestion management plan:

- 35 cameras have been installed on arterial roads in 2016 to help improve traffic monitoring and incident response with 36 more to be added by the end of the year. This will allow the public to see construction on key routes including Eglinton Avenue. This brings the total number of cameras on city streets to 210 (major roads 164, expressways 46). These cameras can be viewed on the city's website at <http://www.toronto.ca/roadrestrictions>.
- A "smart" traffic signal systems pilot project will begin this fall, allowing signals to adapt to real-time traffic volumes and keep traffic moving.
- The Traffic Assistance Personnel (TAP) pilot project is on-going at eight locations. A further four weeks of the pilot will be conducted in the fall.
- Action plans are being developed for 10 congestion hot spots across the city. Analysis is complete at four of the locations with some short term measures implemented and longer term plans being scheduled.

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26. Scarborough Waterfront Project

The Scarborough Waterfront Project is requesting that residents review and comment on the Environmental Assessment which has been undergoing a series of public consultations.

The Toronto Region Conservation Authority's (TRCA)' latest meeting took place on Tuesday June 28, 2016. A report on this meeting along with information on previous consultations may be viewed at

[Click here to view: Scarborough Waterfront Project](#)

The link also demonstrates the overall preferred alternatives, next steps and a notice for public feedback due by July 12th.

What's Next? Comment Period until July 12th

Public consultation is an integral part of the Environmental Assessment process. Please submit your comments by July 12th to: waterfront@trca.on.ca.

If you have any questions please contact the TRCA at [416-661-6600, ext. 5305](tel:416-661-6600)

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27. Quote of the Month

"Success is simple. Do what's right, the right way, at the right time." Arnold H. Glasow

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28. Websites for Community Use

Toronto Public Library Kids Space and Programming

<http://kidsspace.torontopubliclibrary.ca/programsandeventsadu.html>

www.toronto.ca/water

Toronto Water home page

enterprisetoronto@toronto.ca

Enterprise Toronto

<http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/recordsmanagement/crimereporting.php> -Citizens Online Crime Reporting

<http://www.toronto.ca/golf> -Toronto's golf courses

<http://www.torontohydro.com/peaksaver> - peaksaver PLUS

<http://www.torontopolice.on.ca/thebadge/> Toronto Police newsletter "The Badge"

<http://www.scarboroughsoftballassociation.com> - Scarborough Softball – Scarborough Dragons

<http://www.thestorefront.org/contact.php> - East Scarborough Storefront

www.facebook.com/TheTorontoZoo - Toronto Zoo's first official Facebook page

www.toronto.ca/eventcalendar - City of Toronto Events Calendar

<http://onthedon.createsend2.com/t/r/l/tlwukt/bhdtdkrth/e/> - TRCA – The Don

<http://www.toronto.ca/seniors/index.htm> -City of Toronto Seniors

http://www.seniors.gov.on.ca/en/seniorsguide/emergency_4.php -Province of Ontario Seniors

<http://www.dementiatoronto.org/0303.asp> - Toronto Dementia Network

http://aging.utoronto.ca/sites/aging.utoronto.ca/files/Section6_Eng%5B1%5D.pdf - Service Directory for Seniors

www.toronto.ca - City of Toronto

www.toronto.ca/city-update - What is happening in our City

<http://wx.toronto.ca/festevents.nsf/> - City of Toronto Festival Page

www.seetorontonow.com/ - Tourism Toronto – Official website

www.222tips.com - Crime Stoppers

www.torontopubliclibrary.ca - Toronto Public Library

www.torontobotanicalgarden.ca - Toronto Botanical Gardens

www.toronto4kids.com - Great ideas for what the kids can do in Toronto

www.ago.net/gallery-school - Ontario Art Gallery

www.starfall.com - Star fall – great to get children reading

www.coronationca.com - Coronation & West Hill Community Association

www.curranhall.ca/ - Curran Hall Community Association

www.guildwood.on.ca - Guildwood Village Community Association

www.mornellecourt.webs.com - Mornelle Court Action Coalition (Mornelle CAN)

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29. E-News Policy and Contact Information

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