



# Paul Ainslie

Toronto City Councillor  
Ward 24 Scarborough-Guildwood

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**Making Our Community Thrive**

Dear Scarborough-Guildwood Neighbours,

I would like to wish everyone a wonderful Merry Christmas and a Holiday Season, and also a reminder to stay safe and warm during our colder months.

With our most recent snowfall on December 1<sup>st</sup>, the City of Toronto Transportation Services' [winter operation plans have begun](#). For up to minute updates, follow Transportation Services on Twitter @TO\_WinterOps and the City's newly re-launched real-time public GPS site [here](#). You may also visit the City's website site for details on [winter operations](#). To report any snow related concerns call 311, email [311@toronto.ca](mailto:311@toronto.ca), or use the 311 app available online. [Also see this one-page mail out to help easily explain the City's winter services program.](#)

Earlier this week I was disappointed not to receive the support from all my City Council colleagues from Scarborough to lower the speed limit to 30km/hr on local roads surrounding our schools in Scarborough-Guildwood. My request at Scarborough Community Council on December 3, 2019 was lost on a tie vote of 3-3. I will continue to work for everyone on this serious issue to ensure are streets in Scarborough are safe for both residents and motorists.

I was successful in receiving support to have the traffic lights installed at Scarborough Golf Club Road and Confederation Drive, after years of work with residents to get this done. I have already been in contact with the appropriate traffic construction staff to have the lights installed in 2020. I would like to thank all residents who called, sent in letters and spoke at Scarborough Community Council. Your continued support on this request was imperative to its success.

On **December 12**, the TTC will be unveiling their 5-Year Service Plan & 10-Year Outlook. The Scarborough network plans have been aligned with the opening of Line 5 Eglinton which is planned for late 2021. The TTC is planning to consult with residents on the changes in 2020 with the goal of implementing the routes in 2021. I have been advocating for increased public transportation services including a community bus route developed by a number of residents. See route map [here](#) for discussions – these routings are conceptual and subject to operational assessment and community consultation.

Please join the list to receive updates about the plan to make your voice heard. Please send an email to [planning@ttc.ca](mailto:planning@ttc.ca), with the subject line "5-Year Service Plan & 10-Year Outlook".

### **Toronto Zoo presents Lumina: An Enchanted Night Walk into a Bright Future**

The Toronto Zoo is thrilled to officially announce the name and story concept of the Lumina Night Walk – Terra Lumina: An Enchanted Night Walk Into A Bright Future. Terra Lumina takes visitors on a journey through a luminous vision of our planet's future. Passing through a portal, travelers will be transported to a fantastical vision of the year 2099, a time when humans have learned to live in harmony with nature, protecting our planet and the wildlife that calls it home. Terra Lumina opens on Friday, December 13, 2019 at the Toronto Zoo. For more information and details to purchase tickets are available [here](#).

Please visit the "Calendar" section of this report for details on holiday community events, town halls and more activities

All my Best,  
Paul

### **Volunteer!**

Interested in volunteering? Do you need volunteer hours for school, or just want to be active in your community? There are many events throughout the year where you can help.

- Community BBQ's
- Canada Day Parade
- Environment Days
- The Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival
- Halloween Haunt
- New Year's Levee
- Movie Nights
- Town Hall Meetings
- Community Notification Deliveries

If you or someone you know might be interest, visit the following link [here](#).

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The 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Recognition Night hosted by Parks Forestry and Recreation on November 21<sup>st</sup>.

For Municipal Standards issues please contact [311](tel:311).

## **Bendale Community**

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### **Request for Traffic Control Signals or Pedestrian Crossover: McCowan Road at Benleigh Drive**

A Traffic Control Signal Warrant study and a Pedestrian Crossover Warrant study using traffic volumes recorded over the peak eight hours of a typical weekday were conducted. The results of the studies indicated the technical warrants for the installations were not met. If you would like to further review the matter please contact my office at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca) or 416-396-7222. [View report](#)

### **The Scarborough Museum in Thomson Memorial Park**

With the holidays around the corner you will find an abundance of events at the museum. Located along the walking trails of Thomson Memorial Park, neighbouring the Bendale Community. The museum demonstrates the history and development of Scarborough's formation, founding and early settlement and its emergence as a major suburb in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. [Visit the Scarborough Museum for an opportunity to connect to the past through youth programming, exhibits and special events.](#) Find more details on exhibits, events and more [here](#).

### **[Explore Your City Parks:](#)**

- North Bendale Park
- Bendale Park



Its flu shot season! Toronto Public Health are providing flu shots to residents.  
I did my part!

### **Cedar Ridge Community & Cornell Community**

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Toronto Public Library: Cedarbrae District Branch [the list of activities](#)

### [Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery Member's Exhibit](#)

[Exhibits and Events open to the public.](#)

### **Scarborough Golf Club Road and Confederation Drive Traffic Lights have been Supported**

After years of advocating for the **installation of traffic lights at this location, I finally received support to have the lights installed.** I have already been in contact with the appropriate traffic construction staff to have the lights installed in 2020. I would like to thank all residents who called, sent in letters and spoke at the Scarborough Community Council. Your support on this request was imperative to its success.

### **Cedar Ridge Park: Trail Entrance Improvements**

Urban Forestry staff will be working with the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) to improve access to the nature trails in Cedar Ridge Park.

Phase 1 with work on the Tingle Crescent and Kirker Avenue entrances is now complete. Phase 2 is set to begin in the Spring of 2020, where work will continue with the staircase, gate, and community naturalization planting. When completed residents will be able to easily access and navigate the natural surface trail system. More details [here.](#)

## Confederation Park Improvements

Parks Forestry and Recreation will be hosting a community public consultation to provide details and gather your comments on the following three improvement projects for Confederation Park. The community surrounding the park will be notified. The improvements will begin in 2020.

1. Playground enhancements
2. Volleyball Courts and
3. Basketball courts rehabilitation

## Cedar Ridge Creative Centre

225 Confederation Drive Toronto, ON, M1G 1B2

416-396-4026 Email: crcc@toronto.ca

- Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery
- City arts galleries

Permanent art collections

### [Explore Your City Parks](#)

- Cedar Ridge Park



I would like to congratulate the St. Martin de Porres Panthers for earning the title of 2019-2022 TCSAA Intermediate Girls' East Region Volleyball Championship!

## The Coronation and West Hill Community

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### Significant Tree Removal/Injury – East Highland Creek Restoration (Morningside Park)

The City of Toronto's Engineering and Construction Services (ECS) is proposing channel restoration works along a section of East Highland Creek complete restoration of the channel. Tree injury and tree removal is required to gain access to the restoration areas and

to complete the channel restoration works. The tree removal and project will be completed in two sections and under two permits from RNFP; the lower and upper reach. More details can be found [here](#).

### **East Scarborough Storefront**

Visit this great asset in our community! The East Scarborough Storefront facilitates collaboration, builds community and supports people to learn and create together, to live healthy lives, to find meaningful work, and to play and thrive in the Kingston-Galloway/Orton Park neighbourhood (KGO). [Learn how to get involved](#), and [check out events/activities at Storefront!](#)

### **Explore Your City Parks**

- Greenvale Park
- Highland Creek Park
- Galloway Park
- Eastview Park
- West Hill Park



Thank you to everyone who attended my  
Curran Hall Community Town Hall on November 12.

### **Curran Hall Community**

Curran Hall Community Centre  
277 Orton Park - 416-396-5156

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### **Curran Hall Community Town Hall Meeting**

I would like to thank everyone that made it out to my Community Town hall meeting that was held on Tuesday November 12. I appreciate the questions, concerns and comments brought forward. If you have any further concerns please contact my office at

### **Toronto Hydro Overhead Electrical Upgrade: Project Orton Park – Merkley (Phase 1, 2 & 3)**

Toronto Hydro is planning to rebuild the aging overhead electrical system in your community to help improve service reliability. The rebuild includes the replacement of the existing electrical cables and hydro poles within the city-owned property.

**Phase 1 Work Area:** The project includes Sundance Crescent (North), Ladysbridge Drive (East), Lawrence Avenue East (South) and Firth Crescent (West). Expected timeline: January 2020 to September 2020. See letter [here](#).

**Phase 2 Work Area:** This project area includes Brimorton Drive (North), Orton Park Road (East), Thornbeck Drive (South) and Scarborough Golf Club Road (West). Expected timeline: January 2020 to September 2020. See letter [here](#).

**Phase 3 Work Area:** The project area includes Botany Hill Road (North), Copping Road (East), Ladysbridge Drive (South) and Orton Park Road (West). Expected timeline: January 2020 to September 2020. See letter [here](#).

### **Proposed Trail Improvements at Morningside Park**

The project is still in the detailed design phase. The consultant continues to collect background information in order to finalize the design. The goal is to have this done by the end of the 2019. Details [here](#).

### **Curran Hall Community Centre Programming – Join the programming offered within your community link. Located at 277 Orton Park Road**

A number of programs are being offered for all ages at the Curran Hall Community Centre including summer Adventure Camps, Yoga, Pilates, dance for all ages, cooking classes, martial arts, visual arts, youth leadership programs as well as drop in programs for youth 9 - 12yrs old – Saturday: 1:30PM – 3:30PM.

### **Explore Your City Parks**

- Morningside Park
- Heather Heights Park
- Botany Hill Park
- Curran Hall Park



I was happy to attend and speak at the Grand Opening of the Elizabeth Fraser Williamson Exhibit: *The Language of Shape*. I presented scrolls to Sara Williamson, Elizabeth Fraser Williamson's daughter and to the Guild Renaissance Group, received by Sandy Muir, for their work on the exhibit.

## **The Guildwood Village Community**

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### **Friends of Guild Park and Gardens Christmas Tree Lighting**

Saturday, December 14, 2019

7PM to 8PM

Guild Park and Gardens, 201 Guildwood Parkway

See flyer [here](#).

### **Friends of Guild Park Summer's Seniors Walk Program**

The Success of the walks from this summer already have participants looking ahead to next year! Find updates on how the program performed this past summer [here](#).

### **Guildwood GO Expansion**

Metrolinx is currently working in conjunction with Toronto Hydro in regards to power outages that may take place during the construction phase. Moreover, residents have had concerns with construction noise at Guildwood GO, Metrolinx has advised that they will be taking actions in order to stop the excessive noise. If you have any issues with Guildwood Go Construction please contact my office at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca)

### **Elizabeth Fraser Williamson's Exhibit - Sculptures from the City of Toronto Cultural Collections**

I was happy to attend the Grand Opening of Elizabeth Fraser Williamson's Exhibit: Sculptures from the City of Toronto Cultural Collections which was featured at the Scarborough Civic Centre Rotunda for the month of November.

[About – The Work of Elizabeth Fraser Williamson](#)

### **Probus-Guildwood**

Connect with Probus-Guildwood a Co-Ed Social Club. Meet active people who have different perspectives, interests and careers. Join the second Wednesday of every month, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. 140 Guildwood Parkway, Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church Hall

Listen to Guest Speakers. Enjoy our monthly luncheons, events, newsletter & [website](#).

- **December 11**, Festive Christmas Luncheon
- **January 8**, Barbara Dickson – author of 100 Bomb Girls' Stories

### **[Explore Your City Parks](#)**

- Bethune Park
- Elizabeth Simcoe Park

- Guild Park and Gardens
- Guildwood Village Park
- Poplar Park
- Rowatson Park
- Rosa and Spencer Clark Parkette
- South Marine Drive Park
- Sylvan Park



An amazing evening supporting Toronto's Art Community at the Mayor's Evening for the Arts.

### **The Scarborough Centre Community**

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### **66 and 88 Corporate Drive Town Hall Meeting**

I would like to thank the residents of 68 and 88 Corporate Drive. Residents in the building spoke about issues pertaining to construction of condos in the area, construction of the traffic control signals at their site and the future transit plans for residents of Scarborough. If there are any further issues or questions that you would like to follow up on please contact my office at 416-296-7222 or [Councillor Ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:Councillor_Ainslie@toronto.ca)

### **68 and 88 Corporate Drive Traffic Control Signals**

Traffic Control Signal at Corporate Drive will be constructed in the spring of 2020. Our contractor has been experiencing a delay in their contracts due an influx of work and lack of resources combined with a delay in locate packages, work zone approval and 3<sup>rd</sup> party timelines. Councillor Ainslie has requested that he be provided with details for the delay.

## **Progress Avenue Bridge Repairs over McCowan Road**

I'm happy to inform that the repairs on the Progress Avenue Bridge over McCowan Road are now complete. This work ensures that road and pedestrian walkway meet today's standards and remain safe for vehicles and pedestrians into the future.

## **The Scarborough Village Community**

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## **66 - 80 Dale Development Update**

Scarborough Community Planning held a mandated community consultation meeting on November 29, 2019 where residents were provided with the developers revised development proposal. The revised proposal now sites 2 buildings: 7 and 12 storeys.

A Resident Advisory Group has been formed through the direction of City Councillor Paul Ainslie and will be meeting in January 2020. [View the Preliminary Report here.](#)

The proposal is also available at: [www.podiumdevelopments.com/80dale](http://www.podiumdevelopments.com/80dale)

For additional information please contact Andrea Reaney, Senior Planner, [Andrea.Reaney@toronto.ca](mailto:Andrea.Reaney@toronto.ca).

## **Guildwood GO Expansion**

Metrolinx is currently working in conjunction with Toronto Hydro in regards to power outages that may take place during the construction phase. Moreover, residents have had concerns with construction noise at Guildwood GO, they have advised us that they will be taking adequate actions in order to stop the excessive noise. If you have any issues with Guildwood Go Construction please contact my office at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca)

## **Scarborough Village Recreation Centre**

Located at: 3600 Kingston Road, has a variety of programming for all ages including a dance classes, a homework club, youth nights, as well as sports and art programs. Enjoy using your local community centre! [View programming here.](#)

## **[Explore Your City Parks](#)**

- Scarborough Village Park
- Fred Johnson Park

## **Seven Oaks Community**

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## **Seven Oaks Community Town Hall Meeting**

I would like to thank all the residents and guest speaker Constable Julie Campbell 43 Division for attending my Town Hall meeting on December 9, 2019.

Constable Julie Campbell reminded residents that they should be contacting 43 Division with any community complaints. You may reach the Community Response Unit at 43 Division by calling 416-808-4319. She also reminded residents that there are many phone scams going on right now and informed residents to not return those call.

Residents raised many issues including:

- 1) Motorists making rolling stops that the northern intersection of Oakmeadow Boulevard and Highcastle Road. Constable Julie Campbell will be issuing a community complaint for this.
- 2) Motorists are not following the parking/no stopping signage in front of St. John Paul II
- 3) Parking Enforcement attending overnight
- 4) Path from Tuxedo Court to Dormington Drive not getting plowed
- 5) Turn restrictions at Military Trail, motorists not adhering to the restrictions and Local Resident Decals. I will be providing the community with an update on the Local Resident Decals once I receive the report from Transportation Services.
- 6) Waste receptacles not being collected enough on the east side of Neilson Road from Ellesmere Road to the 401

My office is working on the concerns with the appropriate staff to ensure that they get addressed and will be following up with 43 Division to report the traffic complaints and schedule enforcement.

### **Keeler Boulevard Speed Bumps Petition**

My office has received a petition from residents in the Seven Oaks Community for the installation of speed bumps on Keeler Boulevard, between David Drive and Neilson Road. My office has sent it to City Staff to look further into this item. If you have any follow up information, questions or comments please contact my office at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca)

### **Update on Toronto Water Construction on Ellesmere Road between Morningside Avenue and Mornelle Court**

Our office has received a high volume of inquiries regarding the Toronto Water Construction at the above noted area. After seeking updates from City Staff, my office has been notified that the repair is for the slope failure on the south side of Ellesmere Road at Mornelle court, west of Morningside Avenue which resulted in potential damage to a Toronto Water transmission watermain. This has been an extensive repair to the culvert especially at the outfall below the watermain. The work is expected to be completed by the end of December 2019.

### **Bell Construction Concerns**

Our office has received some concerns with construction being done on Oakmeadow Boulevard in the Seven Oaks Community by Bell. We have been advised by staff that the issue has been resolved by Bell Contractors. If there are any outstanding issues, our office has been asked to refer all complaints to Bell at 1-800-268-4213.

## **Military Trail Reconstruction Update Highcastle Road to Ellesmere Road**

The work is to commence in March 2020 to November 2020 providing for an eight month work period. To follow the process of this project or inquire further please visit the [Military Trail Reconstruction Website Here](#).

## **Construction on the bridge at Neilson Road and Hwy 401**

Construction on the highway overpass is scheduled to start this year with the Neilson Road rehabilitation currently scheduled for start in 2021; although the schedule can change as it is up to the contractor how he schedules his work. If you have any questions or concerns please contact my office at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca)

## **Explore Your City Parks**

- Seven Oaks Park
- Brooks Road Park
- Bonspiel Park
- Ellesmere Ravine Park

## **The South Cedarbrae Community**

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### **Cedar Brook Park Playground Enhancement Project**

I am pleased to inform that we can expect the Cedar Brook Park Play Enhancement project to be completed mid-late December 2019.

### **Cedar Brook Park Bridge Rehabilitation Project**

Both bridges in Cedar Brook Park will be repaired to better serve visitors to the area. Construction will commence within the month of December 2019 with a completion in May 2020. The work will involve: removal and installation of two new pedestrian bridge, new abutments and rehabilitation of approaches and landscape improvements, [as shown on this notice](#). The area surrounding the bridges needed for the work will be closed. The remainder of the park will remain open.

### **Invasive Tree Removals and Pesticide Treatment at Cedar Brook Park**

Urban Forestry has notified our office that the tree removal portion of this work is now complete. Urban Forestry's contractor used pesticide in Cedar Brook Park (91 Eastpark Blvd.), which started on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to control various invasive tree species. Application is done by licensed contractor staff. Information signage has been posted, along with standard warning signage, to provide more information to park users.

### **Toronto Hydro Overhead & Underground Civil & Electric Work: Project Markham Road**

Please be advised that Toronto Hydro is planning to rebuild and relocate the overhead and underground electrical system in our community in preparation for the GO Expansion

Electrification program. Expected project timeline is from December 2019 to May 2020. More details [here](#).

### **Cedarbrook Community Centre**

Located at 91 Eastpark Blvd., has a variety of programming for all ages including dance classes, homework clubs, youth nights, sports and art programs. Explore your local community centre. [View programming here](#).

### **Explore Your City Parks**

- Cedar Brook Park
- Cedar Grove Park
- Bakerton Parkette



Very happy to represent my City Council Colleagues at the Parks, Forestry and Recreations' 59<sup>th</sup> Annual Volunteer Night and to recognize so many outstanding people.

### **The Woburn Community**

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### **Road Resurfacing on Helicon Gate**

The concrete work on Helicon Gate has been completed however contractors will need to

return in 2020 to complete asphalt work. The Contractor has been reminded to remove all construction signage and pylons. An updated notice will be delivered to residents of the status of the project. Project completion is expected for next year.

### **Toronto Hydro Overhead & Underground Civil & Electrical Upgrade: Project Markham – Ellesmere**

Toronto Hydro is planning to rebuild the aging electrical system in your community to help improve service reliability. The rebuild includes the replacement of the existing electrical cables and hydro poles within the city-owned property.

Work Area: The project area includes Ellesmere Road (North), Gander Drive (East), Clementine Square (South), and Markham Road (West). Expected timeline: January 2020 to February 2020. See letter [here](#).

### **Rogers Construction Concerns**

Our office has received concerns regarding the construction being done on Bluefin Crescent by Rogers. We have been advised by staff that the issue has been resolved. If there are any outstanding issues, our office has been asked by Rogers to refer all complaints to their line at 1-877-764-3771.

### **Toronto Hydro Reliability Improvement – [Project Bellamy-Lawrence](#)**

Toronto Hydro is planning to rebuild the aging overhead and underground electrical system in the community to help improve service reliability. **The project started in May 2019, with an updated expected completion date of December 2019.** Find more details [here](#).

### **Centennial Recreation Centre**

Located at 1967 Ellesmere Road, has a variety of programming for all ages including dance classes, homework clubs, youth nights, sports, cooking and art programs. Explore your local community centre. [View programming here](#).

### **[Explore Your City Parks](#)**

- Densgrove Park
- Churchill Heights Park



A fantastic turn out at the 43 Division's CPLC meeting on November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## **High-Rise Communities and Neighbourhoods**

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### **Temporary Pool Closure at 4301 Kingston Road**

Our office has been notified that TCHC is temporarily closing the pool at 4301 Kingston Road, as of November 20, 2019. The heater requires replacement. Further updates will be available as soon as possible.

### **Mornelle Court Lighting**

Residents have raised safety concerns in Mornelle Court with regards to lighting within the complex. I requested a Crime Prevention review to be done by Toronto Police Services. The study recommended the replacement of light bulbs to LED and better lighting and signage at all the buildings. As a result of the study, police will work in conjunction with Toronto Community Housing and the private buildings to deal with the list of recommendations which were suggested by the study. Further updates will be provided as soon as possible. Any further concerns, comments, or questions can be forwarded to [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca)

### **Get on the list – Report it!**

If you have an issue with your TCHC unit or building it must be reported to the Client Care Centre at 416-981-5500 right away. (You can send an email to [help@torontohousing.ca](mailto:help@torontohousing.ca) if it's not an emergency) When repairs are needed, especially to your own unit please make sure you get an EasyTrac number from the call representative. **\*\*\* It's very important to remember do not finish the call unless you have your number\*\*\***

If you wait, a problem could become worse and you may be charged for some or all of the repair work. All issues have to be submitted. Please make a point of submitting any and all maintenance or repair issues. It will assist in getting necessary work done.

If you speak to your Management Office staff, you still need to call repair issues in to the Client Care Centre at 416-981-5500 right away! Management will not do this for you. Once a report has been filed TCHC can monitor its progress.

It also creates an excellent overview for TCHC head office staff as they can see if there is an increase in issues in certain areas. The issues can then be investigated to see if there is a larger concern which needs to be dealt with

Get on the list! [See the maintenance and repair site here.](#)

Then track it on EasyTrac: [see more information.](#)

If you would like, you can also report them to my office by phone at 416-396-7222 or email me at [councillor\\_ainslie@toronto.ca](mailto:councillor_ainslie@toronto.ca) so I have your concern on record as well.

For residents living in the High Rise community outside of TCHC buildings, please contact 311 to activate an investigation for any concerns regarding repairs and/or building issues.

Appropriate staff such as Municipal Licensing and Standards & Public Health will be notified and a follow up will ensue. Please be sure to always obtain the Service Request # from 311 so that the progress of your issue can be tracked at your leisure.

### **Toronto Strong Neighbourhoods Strategy 2020**

The City of Toronto will be investing \$12 million in community infrastructure projects in the next four years. The list includes 3847 Lawrence Avenue East, where the multi-purpose community room will be expanded to accommodate programming and much needed meeting space.

### **Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC)**

Concerned constituents may call the TCHC's **Community Safety Unit at 416-921-2323** to report noise disturbances, loitering, trespassing or other safety related issues. This will ensure an appropriate response is made in a timely manner.

### **Mornelle All- Stars & Second Chance Programs**

#### **[Mornelle EarlyON Child and Family Centre](#)**

Mornelle All-Stars Safe Walk Program runs Mondays to Fridays.

Pick up times

8:00AM at 110 Mornelle Court – For 3050 Mapledale and 110 Mornelle

8:15AM at 90 Mornelle Court – For 750 Morningside and 90 Mornelle

8:15AM at 80 Mornelle Court – for 70 and 80 Mornelle

### **Mornelle Court Volunteers Needed!**

The Mornelle All - Stars are looking for individuals with various backgrounds to volunteer in

the community with their Walk Safe Program, Homework Program, and also an administrative assistant for the highly popular March Break and Summer Camps.

If you are a believer in bringing effective and sustainable change, then this is the place for you! This is a great experience in community development, one could use this experience as part of their placements/internship, volunteer hours.

If interested please Contact Angela

Email: [mornellecourtcoalition@yahoo.ca](mailto:mornellecourtcoalition@yahoo.ca) or call (647-769-5900)



Had an amazing time at the Santa parade this year.

## 2. Toronto Region Conservation Authority (TRCA)

TRCA [Upcoming Events](#)

[Calendar of events](#)

[Discover Highland Creek – view points of interest and explore](#)

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### Scarborough Waterfront Project Environmental Assessment Receives Final Approval

Following a public consultation process, approval by Toronto City Council and a review by the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks, the environment assessment for the Scarborough Waterfront Project has received final approval.

This project is undertaken by Toronto and Region Conversation Authority (TRCA) in partnership with the City of Toronto will see the creation of additional accessible community green spaces, enhanced shoreline protection and habitat improvements along an 11-km shoreline multi-use trails for users of all abilities between Bluffer's Park and East Point Park. More details [here](#).

## 3. City Hall

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2019.SC11.8 - Scarborough Minor Arterial and Collector Road Speed Limit Reductions as Part of Vision Zero Speed Management Strategy

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.SC11.8>

2019.SC11.15 - Traffic Control Signals Scarborough Golf Club Road at Confederation Drive

<http://app.toronto.ca/tmmis/viewAgendaItemHistory.do?item=2019.SC11.15>

2019.EC8.17 - Expansion of Toronto's Winterlicious / Summerlicious Program

2019.EC8.18 - Cost Recovery for Emergency Service Rescues Due to Misadventure at Scarborough Bluffs

2019.GL8.21 - Toronto City Hall Council Chamber Modernization Update

2019.GL8.22 - City of Toronto's Open Data Portal - Historical and Current Data

2019.EX10.1 – Toronto Poverty Reduction Strategy – 2019-2022 Action Plan

2019.PH10.4 – Amendments to Chapter 354, Apartment Buildings, and Progress Update on RentSafeTO



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Chair, General Government and Licensing Committee  
Chair, Board of Management of the Toronto Zoo



### Community Town Hall With Paul

Please join me and your neighbours to share your ideas to enhance our community.

**Monday December 9, 2019**

**7:00 PM**

**Tam Heather Curling and Tennis Club  
(Upper Lounge - First Floor)**

**730 Military Trail, Scarborough, ON**

The meeting will be an open discussion on local city issues, to enhance our community. Toronto Police Services will be in attendance to speak about traffic concerns.

I look forward to seeing you.

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Toronto, ON M5H 2N2  
Tel: 416-392-4008

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Scarborough Civic Centre  
150 Borough Drive  
Scarborough, ON M1P 4N7  
Tel: 416-396-7222

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Town Hall Meeting in the Seven Oaks Community

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**Seven Oaks Community Town Hall Meeting**

I would like to thank everyone who attended my Town Hall meeting on Monday December 9 where you raised issues important to the community.

## **Scarborough Centre Condominium Community Town Hall Meeting at 66 and 88 Corporate Drive**

I would like to thank everyone who attended my Town Hall meeting on Tuesday December 3 where Residents raised issues important to their community.

### **Community Events**

#### **Candy Cane Hunt & Food Drive**

Saturday December 7, 2019

1PM to 3PM

Guild Inn, 201 Guildwood parkway

Details [here](#).

#### **Watch free films at Cineplex theatres in support of Boys and Girls Club**

On December 7, Join Cineplex for Free Movies on Community Day from 9AM to 11AM. 100% of the proceeds will go towards the Boys and Girls Club. Participating theatres will be playing:

- A Christmas Story
- Elf
- Gremlins
- The Polar Express
- National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation

Candy, popcorn, etc. will be available for \$2.50 each. More details [here](#).

#### **Bel Canto Singers Holiday Concerts: "Tidings of Comfort and Joy"**

Saturday, December 7, 2019

2:30PM and 7:30PM

Scarborough Bluffs United Church, 3739 Kingston Road

Admission: \$20 for adults/tens; \$5 for children under 12

More details [here](#).

#### **Friends of Guild Park and Gardens Christmas Tree Lighting**

Saturday, December 14, 2019

7PM to 8PM

Guild Park and Gardens, 201 Guildwood Parkway

See flyer [here](#).

#### **A Christmas Concert Celebration**

Saturday, December 14, 2019

7PM

Guildwood Presbyterian Church, 140 Guildwood Parkway

More details [here](#).

#### **Christ Church - Scarborough Village Anglican**

155 Markham Rd., 416-261-4169 (Handicap Accessible)

- Dec. 21 07:00pm The Longest Night Service
- "Blue Christmas"
- Dec. 22 10:00am Lessons & Carols Service
- Dec. 24 07:00pm Christmas Eve Family Eucharist Service & Christmas Pageant
- 10:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelit, Sung, Eucharist
- Dec. 25 10:00am Christmas Day Communion Service
- Dec. 31 05:00pm \*Reflective Candlelight Service \*(confirm with church)

### **Church of the Holy Trinity Guildwood, Anglican**

85 Livingston Rd. at Guildwood Parkway, 416-261-9503

- Dec. 08 10:30am St. Nicholas Visit, Family Service & Potluck
- Dec. 15 08:00am Quiet, Traditional Advent Prayer Service
- 10:30am Modern Advent Worship Service
- 04:00pm The Wonder of Christmas Showcase
  - o Joining Robert Graham is George
  - o Masswohl (Come from Away), Sarah
  - o Strange, Paula Wolfson, Barb Scheffler,
  - o Randy & Loralie Vancourt, Brant Garratt,
  - o The Holy Trinity Guildwood Choir & more.
- Dec. 24 07:00pm Christmas Eve Family Service
- 11:00pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- Dec. 25 10:30am Christmas Day Service

### **Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church**

140 Guildwood Parkway, 416-261-4037, [www.guildwoodchurch.ca](http://www.guildwoodchurch.ca)

- Dec. 21 07:30pm Longest Night Service - A quiet service of prayer and healing on the longest night of the year.
- Dec. 24 07:00pm Christmas Eve Service -Readings & Carols

### **Scarborough Bluffs United Church**

3739 Kingston Rd. (at Scar. Golf Club Rd.), 416-267-8265

- Dec. 01 10:30am 1st of Advent - Service & Advent Lunch
- Dec. 08 10:30am 2nd of Advent - White Gift Service
- Dec. 15 10:30am 3rd of Advent - Choir Service
- Dec. 18 07:00pm Blue Christmas Service
- Dec. 22 10:30am 4th of Advent - Service with Communion
- Dec. 24 07:30pm Christmas Eve - Family Service

## **CPLC Meetings - 43 Division Station, 4331 Lawrence Ave E**

Community Police Liaison Committees (CPLC) are made up of community volunteers and police service representatives from the local division's geographic area. Each committee is inclusive to reflect the demographics of the local community.

- Thursday, January 9, 2020  
6:30 pm (Brigadier Room 43 Station)
- Thursday, April 9, 2020  
6:30 pm (Brigadier Room 43 Station)
- Thursday, June 11, 2020  
6:30 pm (Brigadier Room 43 Station)

## **What's on in the Rouge Park**

More Rouge Park events [here](#).

## **Toronto Zoo**

Find events and activities at the [Toronto Zoo Events Calendar!](#)

## **Terra Lumina: An Enchanted Night Walk into a Bright Future**

Terra Lumina opens on Friday, December 13, 2019 at the Toronto Zoo. Tickets are now on sale [here](#).

## **Toronto Zoo Announces Title of Lumina Night Walk Experience**

The Toronto Zoo is thrilled to officially announce the name and story concept of the Lumina Night Walk coming this winter – Terra Lumina: An Enchanted Night Walk Into A Bright Future. Terra Lumina takes visitors on a journey through a luminous vision of our planet's future. Passing through a portal, travelers will be transported to a fantastical vision of the year 2099, a time when humans have learned to live in harmony with nature, protecting our planet and the wildlife that calls it home. More details [here](#).

## **The Toronto Zoo's Holiday Animal Enrichment Days**

Thursday December 26 2019 to Sunday January 5, 2020

Visit the Toronto Zoo over the holiday break to watch the animals participate in their own seasonal with the Zoo's Holiday Animal Enrichment Days. This is a fun way to learn about the importance of the Zoo's enrichment program while watching our animals enjoy festival treats! More details [here](#).

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I was happy to attend Web Summit in Lisbon, Portugal earlier in November.

## 5. Services in the Community and Job Opportunities

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#### Scouts Canada

As a long-time member and Leader I believe in the values and opportunities made available to our youth through Scouts Canada. I currently volunteer with the 1<sup>st</sup> Centenary Scouts which meet weekly on Tuesday nights at St. Edmund Campion Catholic School on Highcastle Road. [Look up Groups in your area.](#) I highly encourage youth to visit one of the meetings, and think about joining. It's not all about camping. You learn team-building, leadership skills, as well as how to work on projects independently! Scouting will open the door to making lifelong friendships. Take it from me!!!! (There is a membership fee, but we also offer subsidies for those families who may have financial difficulties in paying them. "No One Left Behind!" program)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Centenary Scouts Canada Testimonials

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"Kids have a great time learning new skills that are translatable to real life. Communications, safety, cultivating friendships. It has been a great experience for my kids."

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"Scouting provides youth many experiences that they would not typically come across in their day to day lives. Scouts has been a great opportunity for my children to explore the outdoors, learn life skills and meet new people."

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The 1<sup>st</sup> Centenary Scouts Groups (Beavers/Cub Scouts/ Scouts) meet Tuesday/Wednesdays at Saint Edmund Campion, and Highcastle Public School depending on the group. Times and age groups vary, so please call [416-724-9215](tel:416-724-9215) and explore what Scouts Canada can do for your children, ages 5 to 26!!

#### Scarborough Centre for Health Communities

Find more locations [here.](#)

Sign up for the SCHC Newsletter [here](#).

### **Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities: 2019 Bhayana Family Foundation Team Award**

Congratulations to the Food Bank and Special Support Team at Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities for winning a 2019 Bhayana Family Foundation Team Award. The Bhayana Awards recognize extraordinary contributions made by front line staff and managers who are tackling #UNIGNORABLE local issues at United Way-supported agencies. Thank you for your incredible work in Scarborough-Guildwood and the impact that you have on our city!

### **Boys and Girls Club of East Scarborough**

100 Galloway Road, Scarborough

Telephone: (416) 281 - 0262 ext. 208

[www.esbgc.net](http://www.esbgc.net)

### **Programs Available Boys and Girls Club of East Scarborough Galloway EarlyON Child and Family Centre**

100 Galloway Road

More info on programs available [here](#).

December 2019 Satellite Program Calendar available [here](#).

December 2019 Program Details for Morningside EarlyON Child and Family Centre [here](#).

### **Morningside EarlyON Child and Family Centre**

Unit 15 - 4218 Lawrence Ave East

More info on programs available [here](#).

### **Mornelle EarlyON Child and Family Centre**

110 Mornelle Court (located on the main floor)

More info on programs available [here](#).

### **43 Division - Auxiliary Police Toy Drive**

43 Division and the Community Police Liaison Committee (CPLC) will be accepting new unwrapped toys in the lobby of the police station. All toys will be distributed within the 43 Division community. Contact: [43auxiliarytoydrive@gmail.com](mailto:43auxiliarytoydrive@gmail.com)

### **CP24/CHUM Gifts**

The CP24 Gift program is a Christmas help program for those families that require a gift for children in their family 16 years and younger.

**For those who registered pick up** is December 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> (Dates may change)

### **Holiday Food Hamper**

The Holiday Food Hamper program provides families with a variety of food items to support them during the holiday season. Families will come to the Club on their designated day and

time and "shop" for food items for their families. Enrollment is not guaranteed as we rely on donations for the food. Families can only enroll once for this program and you will be contacted by e-mail to confirm your day and time for pick up.

**For those who registered pick up** is December 14<sup>th</sup> (Date may change)

### **Ontario Early Years Programs - Open to all**

#### **OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS**

[www.earlyyears.edu.gov.on.ca](http://www.earlyyears.edu.gov.on.ca)

### **South Asian Autism Awareness Centre (SAAC) Programs**

Find out about the many SAAAC programs for children with autism. These programs run through the school calendar year (Sept-June), starting September 2019. See more [here](#).

### **East Scarborough Storefront**

4040 Lawrence Avenue East, Scarborough

Telephone: 416-208-9889

Service Hub details: <https://thestorefront.org/services/>

Events/activities calendar: <https://thestorefront.org/schedule/>

### **KGO Updates: Community e-newsletter for Kingston-Galloway/Orton Park**

East Scarborough Storefront's KGO Updates is a crowd-sourced email newsletter which keeps people in Kingston-Galloway/Orton Park (KGO) informed about what's going on in our neighbourhood. The newsletter goes out every two weeks, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month. [Sign up here to stay informed in KGO!](#) (And [check out past issues here](#)).

### **Toronto Public Library**

#### **Events in Ward 24**

[View events and programs](#)

Here are the September to December events happening at library branches in our ward [here](#).

You can also stay up-to-date with the latest library news and upcoming programs by signing up for our What's On at the Library e-newsletter: <http://tpl.ca/e-news>

You can also check out this [online interactive map](#) that gives a taste of all the great things that happen at each Toronto Public Library branch.

### **Toronto Police Service**

Parking Issues and Traffic Complaints:

Residents are advised to contact Toronto Police Parking Enforcement regarding parking complaints at 416-808-6600.

### **Crime Stoppers**

The Toronto Police Service is asking anyone with information contact them at [416-808-2222](tel:416-808-2222),

Crime Stoppers anonymously at 416-222-TIPS (8477), [online](#) or text TOR and your message to CRIMES (274637).

### **Peer Support Group**

All genders are welcome. Share your struggles and concerns in a safe, confidential space. Receive support and encouragement from each other. Ages 14-18.

**Contact: Scott Leathem - [sleathem@loftcs.org](mailto:sleathem@loftcs.org) - 416-420-1632**

Wednesday Nights 5pm - 7pm

(Beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>)

East Metro Youth Services

1200 Markham Road, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

(The Zone)

### **East End Arts Newsletter**

Sign up for the East End Arts' monthly eNewsletter, or their youth monthly eNewsletter for information about arts-related events in the east end, and share information about Toronto-wide artist calls, art jobs, grants, funding opportunities and much more. Please sign up [here](#).

### **Scarborough Women's Centre**

The Scarborough Women's Centre delivers programs and services to promote positive change for women in a safe, inclusive and welcoming environment.

See the Fall 2019 Program [here](#).

### **Action for Food Security (AFS) – Scarborough Village – Woburn**

Action for Food Security aims to develop a coordinated food access awareness and education plan for Scarborough Village-Woburn with the focus on sustainability.

For further information and to participate please contact Omar Brooks at 416-642-9445 Ext. 4177 or email at [obrooks@schc.ontario.ca](mailto:obrooks@schc.ontario.ca)

More details [here](#).

### **Family Service Toronto**

Family Service Toronto (FST) helps people face a wide variety of life challenges. Services are available to everyone who lives or works in Toronto. Check out [these programs](#) by Family Service Toronto and visit their [website](#) for more details.

### **ISEE Initiative**

ISEE INITIATIVE (ISEEI) is a non-profit organization based in Toronto that focuses on providing education and creating awareness about domestic violence among all individuals in order to overcome socio-cultural barriers. ISEEI also offers multi-level support to empower and rehabilitate victims of domestic violence. See resource list [here](#).

### **Toronto East Quadrant Local Immigration Partnership - Training and Workshops**

- [Literacy in Shelters Conference 2019](#)
- [Preparing Newcomers for Success in the Canadian Workplace](#)

## **Probus-Guildwood**

Connect with Probus-Guildwood a Co-Ed Social Club. Meet active people who have different perspectives, interests and careers.

Join the second Wednesday of every month, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. 140 Guildwood Parkway, Guildwood Community Presbyterian Church Hall.

## **Job, Volunteer and Training Opportunities**

### **ACE Scholarship: Building a Better Future**

This scholarship is open to current and past youth members ages 18 – 24 pursuing post-secondary training at a recognized institution. The deadline has been extended to Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 7PM. See flyer [here](#). Find the application [here](#).

### **The Remix Project**

The Remix Project is a multi-disciplinary arts training program. Offering a free 9-month intensive training and development opportunity for creative and entrepreneurial youth from underserved communities ages 16 to 24 in the GTHA. Now accepting application for their 16.0 cohort starting in March 2020. Please note that Remix is not an entry level program, successful youth will have to complete both an online application including two samples of work as well as an in person interview. Criteria for entry is based on talent and need. Applications close Dec 31st 2019. For more information or to apply, please visit this [website](#). See flyer [here](#).

### **Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities (SCHC)**

SCHC is recruiting student and adult snow shovelers to serve seniors of the community. Areas covered: East of Brimley to the Pickering Boarder and South of Steeles Ave. to Lake Ontario. See [flyer](#) for more details.

### **Canadian Council on Rehabilitation and Work: Workplace Essential Skills Partnership**

Are you a job-seeker with a disability and have a post-secondary education or equivalent work place experience? The Workplace Essential Skills Partnership (WESP) is a FREE dynamic cross-disability employment program for job seekers with disabilities. Registration is now OPEN! Please see details [here](#).

### **Youth Link Job opportunities**

Youth Link provides a range of mental health services proven to build resiliency and improve life outcomes for youth at risk and their families. See this [link](#) for current employment opportunities.

### **JOIN THE 2020 ADA SLAIGHT YOUTH ARTS MENTORSHIP PROGRAM!**

December 31st// Calling all young artists! Apply by December 31st for this amazing opportunity to participate in the 2020 [Ada Slaight Youth Arts Mentorship Program](#)! Up to 15 youth will be selected to gain access to arts and cultural experiences, educational workshops and opportunities to explore careers in the arts. The program runs from

February-June 2020. For more info and to apply, please contact Dwayne Sybbliss [dsybbliss@artscape.ca](mailto:dsybbliss@artscape.ca).

### **Porter Airlines sponsors Northern Lights Mentorship Program**

The Northern Lights Mentorship Program is designed to connect aspiring and experienced aviation professionals. Porter Airlines is sponsoring this new program to attract and retain more women in the aviation and aerospace industry.

The Northern Lights Mentorship Program focuses on three phases of career planning and connects participants with mentors who can best support them:

1. Considering a career within aviation and aerospace (imagining)
2. Training and development (training)
3. Established within the industry (developing)

Join the Northern Lights Mentorship Program as a mentor or participant by visiting this [website](#).

### **Employment Services and Supports Available in your Kingston/Galloway/Orton Park (KGO) Neighbourhood.**

Located at the East Scarborough Storefront (4040 Lawrence Ave East). Meet with their employment team and widen the scope of your job search with Employment Ontario services and other resources.

- Drop in at the Employment Resource Centre to check out Job Boards and talk to a specialist
- Talk to a specialist for career assessment & steps to employment
- Drop in for Job Search Supports and Computer Classes
- Improve/create your resume, cover letter, interview skills and job search techniques
- Connect to training and pre-apprenticeship opportunities
- Attend free workshops to support you in your job search and connect with other jobseekers
- Receive financial support for training or employment-related expenses
- Speak to a Community Resource Specialist to access other support and services

Drop in hours: Tuesdays and Wednesdays 12:00PM - 4:00PM and Thursdays 3:00PM - 5:00PM

More information [here](#).

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### **Public consultation on digital technologies and data governance in Toronto**

The City of Toronto is developing a Digital Infrastructure Plan to help guide decisions on how Toronto will evaluate and regulate digital technologies and data use for City services and other proposals.

Public Meeting

- December 7  
McGregor Park Community Centre, 2231 Lawrence Ave E  
10AM to 12:30PM
- December 9  
Toronto City Hall, Council Chamber, 100 Queen St. W  
6:30PM to 9PM  
Live streamed [here](#).
- December 12  
North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St.  
1:30PM to 4PM

#### Online engagement

An online consultation survey will be available [here](#), starting December 7 until December 19. Those unable to attend a consultation can email input or questions to [digitalfeedback@toronto.ca](mailto:digitalfeedback@toronto.ca).

#### **Scarborough Arts: Truth Be Told 2020!**

Are you a youth in Scarborough interested in exploring your creativity? If so, mark your calendars for *Truth Be Told 2020*. [R.I.S.E. Edutainment](#) in partnership with the [Art Gallery of York University](#) presents *Truth Be Told 2020*, a multidisciplinary art program for youth at the Malvern Public Library that includes hip hop, audio recording, photography and spoken word poetry workshops. See flyer [here](#).

Event details: **Tuesdays and Wednesdays | 4 PM - 6 PM** at Malvern Public Library (30 Sewells Road)

#### **Rosalie Hall: Youth Clothing Bank (Winter Edition)**

Friday, December 13, 2019

Dorset Park Community Hub, 1911 Kennedy Road

Show-up & Shop

No Registration Required

See flyer [here](#).

#### **City of Toronto Holiday Toy and Food Drive**

The City of Toronto's Holiday Toy and Food Drive, in support of the Toronto Firefighters Toy Drive and Toronto Daily Bread Food Bank, has begun and will run until December 20, 2019. New, unwrapped toys and/or non-perishable food items to donation bins located at City Hall, Metro Hall and all Civic Centres. More details [here](#).

#### **FCM - Take action now: Reach out to your MP**

With a new federal government now in place, we need to move quickly to ensure local priorities remain front and centre on the national agenda. Use FCM's simple engagement tool to reach out directly to your new or re-elected Member of Parliament on Twitter. Let them know you're ready to work together to build better lives.

TAKE ACTION: reach out to your MP today [here](#).

## **Join the East Scarborough Storefront Steering Committee**

The East Scarborough Storefront is seeking passionate people with diverse experiences who live or work in East Scarborough to join The Storefront's Steering Committee. See poster [here](#).

## **Trial transit shuttle service**

The City of Toronto, the TTC and Metrolinx are working together to launch a trial public transit service that could connect local residents in an area that is without transit service to a GO station. The aim is to have the shuttle operational by September 2020. You can [learn more](#) about it and share your thoughts on the future of automated vehicles in Toronto through an [online survey](#).

## **City of Toronto's fall and winter recreation programs**

Registration for City of Toronto's fall and winter recreation programs are open. See how to register for Recreation Programs [here](#).

## **Park People: Walk in the Park**

Let's get walking, together! Walk in the Park provides training and support to help establish community-led walking groups for seniors across Toronto. These groups help seniors get fit while helping build connections with nature and with other community members. Find a walking club [here](#).

## **Business and Economy: Seminars**

Small Business and Entrepreneurs Enterprise Toronto and its partners offer year-round learning opportunities for entrepreneurs and small business owners, from regularly scheduled seminars to large network events. More details [here](#).

## **It Takes a Village: Big Brothers Big Sisters**

Are you a resident of Scarborough? Are you 19 years of age and over? Be part of a focus group or one-to-one interview to provide your insights on volunteering. Contact BBBST, Akua Anyemedu at 416-925-8981 ext. 4125 or [akua.anyemedu@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca](mailto:akua.anyemedu@bigbrothersbigsisters.ca) See flyer [here](#).

## **East End Arts: Youth Arts**

Volunteer with East End Arts! Looking for fun exciting opportunities? East End Arts offers the chance to get hands-on experience in the arts and cultural sector, network, get references and volunteers hours. Join their volunteer team [here](#).

## **7. Projects, Grants and Public Service Information**

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### **Public Service Information**

#### **Reporting Toronto Hydro Street Light Outages**

To report a street light out, the most efficient way of having it addressed is to contact Toronto Hydro's 24/hr. call centre at 416-542-8000, follow the automated message and

submit your report with one of the live agents. You may also submit your reports online at [www.TorontoHydro.com/streetlightout](http://www.TorontoHydro.com/streetlightout)

Should the light not get repaired in a reasonable amount of time, please contact my Constituency Office at 416-396-7222 with your reference number.

### **Toronto Arts Foundation Awards: Nomination Call**

The Toronto Arts Foundation has a series of cash awards presented each year to professional artists, cultural leaders and businesses in recognition of artistic excellence, cultural leadership and contribution to the arts. Awards are presented at the annual Mayor's Arts Lunch.

Nomination Deadline: February 3, 2020

See flyer [here](#). More details are available [here](#).

### **Scarborough Health Team offers free flu shot and socks in trial run – Safe and Warm**

The Scarborough Health Team offers flu shots and socks this holiday season in part of a program called Safe and Warm. This program is a step toward a new way to organize health care in Scarborough.

Flu shots are available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 to 3pm by Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities at 629 Markham Rd, at The Hub Mid Scarborough at 2660 Eglinton Ave E, and at 4002 Sheppard Ave E.

### **CNE Presents the Aurora Winter Festival**

The CNE presents this year's Aurora Winter Festival. The Toronto's Ontario Place will be transformed into a magical wonderland with a beautiful skating rink, a tube park, massive light displays, a Christmas Market, amusement rides, food gardens, magical characters, and plenty of other exciting activities. Tickets are on Sale Now [here](#). Festival runs until January 5, 2020.

### **Mayor John Tory declares 2021 as the Year of Public Art in Toronto**

2021 proclaimed as the Year of Public Art to further commitment to the growing arts and culture sector in Toronto. Working in partnership with artists, arts organizations and communities across the city, the City of Toronto will engage with residents and visitors in a city-wide recognition of public art. The Year of Public Art will celebrate the body of work created by local and international artists and will be supported by arts institutions, developers and the City. Full news release [here](#).

### **Toronto Christmas Market**

The Toronto Christmas Market is now open until Sunday, December 22, 2019. More details can be found [here](#).

## RentSafeTO: Apartment Building Standards

The Municipal Licensing and Standard Division is running a public education campaign on RentSafeTO. **RentSafeTO: Apartment Building Standards** is a bylaw enforcement program that ensures apartment building owners comply with building maintenance standards. If apartment repairs are not being completed within a reasonable time, residents are encouraged to contact their landlord first to make service requests. If the problems still persist, they can contact 311 for the RentSafeTO team.

## Local Clothing Banks and Donations

As we're getting closer to winter, I'd like to provide some local resources that hold food and clothing banks.

AGENCY	CONTACT		ITEMS	INFO.
<b>Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities</b>	416-847-4147 4100 Lawrence Ave E (Lawrence Ave E & Galloway Rd)		Clothing and Household Items	Their food and clothing banks provide gently used items and clothing to families in need
<b>Value Village</b> (Community Donation Centre)	416-439-4464 3701 Lawrence Ave E Unit #1 (Scarborough Golf Club & Lawrence Ave E)	416-752-0060 1525 Victoria Park Ave (Victoria Park & Eglinton Ave E)	Clothes, Outerwear, Footwear, Accessories and Household Items	Every donation must be in a gently used condition. Every donation made will support a non-profit in our community.
<b>Salvation Army</b>	416-752-2929 1921 Eglinton Ave E Unit #7 (Warden Ave & Eglinton Ave E) <a href="tel:4164380991">(416) 438-0991</a> 2085 Ellesmere Rd (Markham/Ellesmere)	416-751-8050 1225 Kennedy Rd Unit #D1 (Kennedy Rd & Lawrence Ave E)	Clothing, Textiles, Household Items, Electronics, Furniture and more	Pick up services can be arranged for donations of furniture items (minimum 3)

## TTC will stop selling tickets, tokens and passes on November 30, 2019

November 30, 2019, will be the last day customers can purchase tickets, tokens and passes (GTA Weekly and the Day Pass) at collector booths. Customers will still be able to purchase tickets and tokens at some third-party retailers.

Customers will be able to use tickets, tokens and passes to pay their fare.

- No end date has been set for when the TTC will stop accepting tickets, tokens and cash
- Refunds will not be provided, so customers must use up their tickets, tokens and passes.
- The last day a customer will be able to use a GTA weekly pass will be December 1, 2019

The TTC will continue selling tickets and tokens to agencies and organizations like school boards and social service agencies until a new PRESTO card/PRESTO Ticket bulk sales program is in place. The timing for this is still being finalized.

More details [here](#).

### **Summary of Ward 24, Scarborough-Guildwood Traffic Requests**

The City as a whole has an issue with motorists who speed and are distracted on our roads. My office receives a number of calls on road behavior and requests for an increase in police enforcement to ticket those in violation. I have constantly asked for more traffic enforcement in Scarborough Guildwood with my latest attempt in May of this year. See response from [43 Division Superintendent](#).

I encourage you to continue to send me and 311 your requests to investigate traffic concerns as they are forwarded to the traffic services division for investigation, I am also proactive in bringing locations to their attention. The study period is approximately 9 months from request to receiving a traffic study report. We live in a time where we are all in a hurry. We all need to slow down and pay attention to our surroundings. If we could all be proactive and pay attention and watch for each other I believe we could avoid many tragic outcomes.

### **Transition to new Open Data Portal**

The new [Open Data Portal](#) is the primary location for all new and updated datasets and the old Open Data Catalogue has been shut down, with all datasets from the old catalogue migrated to the new Portal. The Portal offers enhanced accessibility, improved navigation and other features. Links and bookmarks should be updated to direct to the new portal.

### **School Crossing Guard Program**

Starting in September 2019, Transportation Services will be assuming full responsibility for the School Crossing Guard Program. Through two contracted vendors, Carraway Inc. and A.S.P. Inc., Transportation Services will be providing school crossing guards at 710 locations across the city to help children travel safely to and from their schools. More details [here](#).

### **New Insurance Claim Web Form**

The City has launched an insurance claim web form. Constituents are now able to enter their claim online and receive their claim number at the time of submission. The former options of submitting claims by fax and email are being phased out. Constituents can still submit their claims via mail, but are encouraged to use the [web form](#).

### **Grants**

#### **MLSE Foundation Community Action Grant**

MLSE Foundation just launched the 2019/2020 call for Community Action Grant program! Granting up to \$50,000 to Ontario-based organizations that are using sport and recreation to advance outcomes in physical health, mental health, and academic achievement and work readiness to support youth in their communities. Organizations interested can visit [this website](#) to learn more about eligibility and how to apply. The deadline for Expression of Interest submissions is January 17th, 2020 5 p.m. EST

## **Youth Opportunities Fund**

The Youth Opportunities Fund (YOF) provides grants and capacity building supports to grassroots groups, community based organizations and collaborative focused on improving the wellbeing of children, youth and families facing systematic barriers. YOF has three granting streams, each with a different purpose and aimed at different groups. More details on each of these streams [here](#).

## **Projects**

### **My Local Government – it's for me**

The City of Toronto provides services that have a direct impact on your daily life and sometimes it is not clear how government works. Where to find information or how to express your opinion.

"My local government – it's for me" is a great place to start if you would like to learn about your local government, the decision making process and how to get involved. Information is available in English and 24 additional languages that will help you become informed, have your say and serve your city. Find out more [here](#).

### **HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan and Guild – Creating a New Housing Plan**

HousingTO 2020-2030 Action Plan – Discussion Backgrounder. To guide the consultation process, a discussion backgrounder has been prepared which describes components of the housing spectrum, provides highlights of the City's performance as part of its first housing plan (2010-2020), and outlines some of the housing challenges Toronto faces today and in the future. Find more information [here](#).

### **#TransformTO one home at a time with HELP from the City of Toronto**

Are you thinking about renovating? Are you interested in improving the comfort and energy efficiency of your home, while at the same time doing your bit for Mother Nature? With utility incentives and GreenON funding available – there has never been a better time to make improvements to your biggest investment, your home.

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