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Dear Friends,

Black history month is here. Celebrate the contributions of Black Canadians in Toronto by viewing our City link <http://www.toronto.ca/blackhistory/>. There are a number of events and festivities across the city. On Saturday February 9 a bus tour will take place marking significant location within the City where contributions were made, details: www.heritagetoronto.org /Tickets: 338-1339. For events: http://www.blackartndialog.com/www/td-then-and-now-2013-english/?cm_sp=cBLACK000-001, <http://www.harbourfrontcentre.com/kuumba/>.

For a number of years I have been working with community organizations and City divisions who offer youth programming in Scarborough East. We have been able to implement a great number of programs, after school and on week-ends. All this work has provided opportunities for youth, keeping them busy and motivated in a positive monitored environment.

When visiting communities I spend time speaking to youth, one question I always ask is what they do with their time after school. Many of them told me there weren't any programs for them. I knew better, there are many programs available for them.

To address this, a youth work group was created to research the level of awareness of Scarborough East youth on the programming and services available to them. On Monday January 28, I held a Youth Summit bringing together Scarborough East organizations to listen to the youth work group as they presented their report: **One Goal, One Movement, One Voice**.

The report outlined trends, needs, co-ordination amongst organizations, and access to youth for programming in their community.

I am very proud of our youth working group and all their work. We are striving to strengthen our ability to deliver services more directly and efficiently to our youth. This report outlines a great number of ways we can better serve our youth.

Sincerely,

Paul Ainslie

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 1. Calendar

- February 5, 2013 * Executive Committee
- February 5, 2013 * Coronation Community Association Meeting
- February 5, 2013 * Guild Renaissance Group Meeting
- February 7, 2013 * Scarborough East Business Breakfast
- February 7, 2013 * Toronto Public Library Foundation Book Lover's Ball
- February 8, 2013 * Constituency Mobile Office at 4175 Lawrence Ave East
- February 9, 2013 * Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal Presentation Ceremony, Councillor Ainslie recipient
- February 11, 2013 * Guild Alive with Culture Arts Festival Committee Meeting
- February 11, 2013 * TRCA meeting with GVCA regarding Scarborough Waterfront Projects
- February 12, 2013 * Toronto Public Library E-Book Working Group
- February 12, 2013 * Guildwood Village Community Association
- February 13, 2013 * Garrison Ball Organizing Committee Meeting
- February 13, 2013 * Constituency Mobile Office at 3947 Lawrence Ave East
- February 13, 2013 * Kingston Galloway Orton Park Safety Committee Meeting
- February 14, 2013 * 43 Division Community Police Liaison Committee Meeting
- February 14, 2013 * Employment Lands Consultation - Open House - Afternoon and Evening Session
- February 15, 2013 * Zoo Board Meeting
- February 16, 2013 * Morningside Park Natural Ice Rink Opening
- February 20, 2013 * Toronto City Council Meeting
- February 21, 2013 * Toronto City Council Meeting
- February 22, 2013 * Toronto Region Conservation Authority Meeting Annual General Meeting
- February 22, 2013 * Mobile Constituency Office 65 Greencrest
- February 25, 2013 * Government Management Committee Meeting
- February 25, 2013 * Toronto Public Library Board Meeting
- February 26, 2013 * Scarborough Community Council Meeting
- February 26, 2013 * Family Literacy Forum: Spotlight on Literacy: A Community Conversation
- February 28, 2013 * Toronto Community Housing Corporation: Town Hall with CEO Gene Jones

Events in our Community:

February 16, 2013 * Morningside Park Natural Ice Rink Opening: located near the water park site
 10 a.m.

February 28, 2013 * Toronto Community Housing Corporation Town Hall with Chief Executive Officer
 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. Gene Jones and Councillor Paul Ainslie @ 4301 Kingston Rd

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2. Seven Oaks

Neilson Road Storm Sewer Replacement

Expected Project Start Date: Spring, 2013 - Expected Completion Date: Fall, 2013

The City of Toronto will be undertaking storm sewer replacement work along Neilson Road from Oakmeadow Boulevard north branch to 65 m East of Oakmeadow Boulevard.

Project Details

The reconstruction of existing storm sewer, catch basin leads, pavement restoration, pavement markings, boulevard restoration, and sod replacement as required. There will be temporary lane closures & parking restrictions along the construction zones, local access & emergency traffic will be maintained at all times. A notice was distributed to the community last fall **Notice**, however a further notice will be provided before the construction begins with a more accurate start date and description of the project.

If you encounter any issues with the construction please contact my Scarborough office at 416-396-7222. Thank you for your patience during the construction period.

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3. Curran Hall Community

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

Mossbank Traffic Calming Request: [report link](#)

Acting on a citizen request, the Scarborough Transportation division completed a review on a request for traffic calming measures on Mossbank Drive. Based on the findings, staff concluded that measures including the installation of speed humps were not warranted at this time.

The report found that 574 vehicles were recorded over a 24 hour period on Mossbank Drive, the busiest one hour period was from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm when a total of 58 northbound and southbound vehicles were recorded.

Staff's conclusions were based on the Traffic Calming Warrant criteria [report link](#), staff applied the preliminary Traffic Calming Warrant criteria to Mossbank Drive, at the busiest portion between Hogan Drive and Golfhaven Drive, and found that the minimal vehicle volume required was not satisfied.

A "Watch Your Speed" program was installed on Mossbank Drive from Monday, November 21 to Friday November 25, 2011. If you would like the device placed on Mossbank again, please contact my office at 416-396-7222 and my staff will make a request. Staff also reviewed the Toronto Police Services collision records from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2011, no reported collisions where speed was a factor where recorded.

Highland Creek Green Community – Facebook Page

Volunteers are needed to join community greening initiatives for the Highland Creek/Morningside Park area. A new Facebook page has been created for you to view current information and volunteer. Brian Macfarlane, Curran Hall Community Association President is a member of the "Green Team" for Morningside Park District and content

manager for the green group's new Facebook page, Google "Highland Creek Green Community" to view the page. Thank you for your contribution Brian.

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4. Coronation and West Hill Community

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

Sidewalk extension on Poplar Road and Galloway Road

Following requests made by the Coronation and West Hill Community Association to extend the sidewalks on Morningside Avenue, Galloway Road, and Polar Roads, at the Canadian National Railway (CNR) location, a meeting with City Staff, the community association and my staff took place last Fall. Moving on the recommendations made on site, Scarborough Community Council during its January meeting approved the sidewalk extension project is to proceed, filling the missing links of sidewalk on Poplar Road and Galloway Road over the Go Transit railway corridors under the Essential Links Program. Both projects will be subject to budget approval during the budget process. The proposed sidewalk on Poplar Road could be constructed in 2014 and on Galloway Road in 2015.

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5. Cedar Ridge Community & Cornell Community

Upcoming Exhibits at Cedar Ridge Gallery

Through February 8

Contemporary Art Exhibits: Stephen Yau

Opening reception: Sunday, January 27 from 1 – 4 p.m.

On exhibit at Cedar Ridge Gallery are acrylic works by artist Stephen Yau. Born in Hong Kong, Yau has been a practicing artist for more than two decades. An established watercolourist, Yau is now focused on working with acrylics. He has been hailed for his abilities to render light, shadow and reflections. He is inspired by nature, and his works have been widely exhibited and collected in Canada and abroad. He currently lives in Richmond Hill, and when not making his own work, he teaches at his studio.

February 10 -22

Contemporary Art Exhibits: Susan Dimitrakopoulos & Jimmy Sun

Opening reception: Sunday, February 10 from 1 – 4 p.m.

Cedar Ridge Gallery features photography by Susan Dimitrakopoulos and oil paintings by Jimmy Sun. Photography has always played an important part of Dimitrakopoulos' life. Wildlife, natural landscapes and flora provide inspiration and are often featured in her works. Through the camera lens, Dimitrakopoulos seeks to capture everyday scenes or unique, fleeting moments in nature. A Scarborough resident, she has an affinity for Bluffer's Park, which is featured in her photos. Jimmy Sun started drawing and painting during his early childhood. He continues to take classes and develop his artistic practice. In recent years, Sun has been focusing on oil painting. He is inspired by the way that Impressionists play with light and colour and imbues his own work with a similar sensibility.

February 24 – March 8

Contemporary Art Exhibits: Jogi Makhani, Angela Houpt, Bob Rollings and Alex Tavares

Opening reception: Sunday, February 24 from 1 – 4 p.m.

Cedar Ridge Gallery presents the last exhibit in its annual Contemporary Art series, featuring the stone and wood sculptures of Jogi Makhani, stone sculptures by Angela Houpt, wood sculptures by Bob Rollings and oil and acrylic works by Alex Tavares.

Registration for Spring 2013 Programs for Adults & Children

Registration for Cedar Ridge Creative Centre fall and winter programs begins on **Sunday, March 3, 2013**. Register **online** (visit: <http://www.toronto.ca/parks/torontofun/online.htm>) or through **Touch Tone Registration (TTR)** starting at 7 a.m. March 3. Call 416-338-0000 and follow the voice prompts to register using TTR. To register online or using TTR, you will need your client number, family number and course code. To obtain your client and family numbers, call Customer Service at 416-338-4386, or call Cedar Ridge directly at 416-396-4026. Cedar Ridge will be open during regular business hours for in-person and telephone registrations. For further information about Cedar Ridge courses, visit www.toronto.ca/culture/cedar_ridge.htm Art programs are available for students of all ages!

March Break Artstravaganza

Cedar Ridge's popular March Break camp returns this year. Spots are still available for children ages 7 - 12 years. Call 416-396-4026 to register or for more information.

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6. Guildwood Village

Guildwood Village Community Association website: www.guildwood.on.ca
The Guild Renaissance Group (GRG): <http://guildrenaissancgroup.com/>

Gates of Guildwood

The Guildwood Gates situated at Kingston Road will undergo maintenance this Spring to address the rust at the base of the structure. The light fixtures at this entrance have also been rewired and are now functioning.

Guild Inn Park and Gardens

As has been reported in previous newsletters, the request for proposal (RFP) process is ongoing for the Guild Inn (Bickford) property. Staff continue to advise that they are on schedule. The Pre-qualification segment closed on November 30, 2012. Staff then evaluated the submissions and issues a RFP on December 19, 2012 to the qualifying applicants. The RFP will close on February 29, 2013. Staff will then review the submissions and make a selection by April 15, 2013. Contract negotiations will be discussed after the selection is made.

Hydro Poles replacement in Guildwood Village

Toronto Hydro is upgrading the electrical service in many communities across the City including in the Guildwood Village Community.

The project involves the rebuilding of the aging overhead electrical system and replacement of poles and anchors. The new standard poles are slightly larger in diameter. The older poles had weathered and had shrunk in size over the last forty years.

Following the installation of the hydro poles, cable will be strung as well as the installation of new transformers. The following local streets have been affected: Livingston Road, Galloway Road, Westlake Road, Leverhume Crescent, Rowatson Road and Fareham Crescent. If you should have any questions on this project please contact Julia Mugeridge of Toronto Hydro at 416.542.3366.

Change of Speed Limit

Scarborough Community Council has approved a staff recommendation to lower the speed limit on **Scarborough Golf Club Road between Kingston Road and Hill Crescent/Guildcrest Drive to a 40 kilometre per hour** speed limit. Transportation Services conducted a speed limit study resulting in a technical report which justified and recommended for the implementation on this section of road.

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7. Mornelle Court Resident's Action Coalition

Mornelle Court Residents Action Coalition...Working together to make a change... Be the Change you want to See...

www.mornellecourt.webs.com

Mornellecourtcoalition@yahoo.ca

[mornellecourt@facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/mornellecourt)

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8. City Programming in the Community

FREE FAMILY WORKSHOPS

<u>Family Dance</u>	Thursday Feb 28	6-7:30pm	1+ years	2217980	Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
<u>Family Boot Camp</u>	Thursday Mar 28	6-7:30pm	8+ years	2212134	Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
<u>Intro to Puppetry</u>	Thursday April 25	6-7:30pm	4+ years	2212138	Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
<u>Family Badminton</u>	Thursday May 30	6-7:30pm	8+ years	2212142	Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
<u>Storytelling</u>	Thursday June 13	6-7pm	birth-6 years	2212171	Guild Inn Gardens (Greek Theatre)

New Programs

Adult Recreation Badminton Wednesday's 6:15-8:15pm 18+ years \$60/9 weeks at Sir Wilfrid Laurier CI
Winter ~ 2210166 Spring ~ 2210685

Around The Garden with caregiver Saturday's 10:30-11:30am 3-5 years \$35/9 weeks at Curran Hall CC
Spring ~ 2246624

Green Thumbs Saturday's 12-1:30pm 6-12 years \$36/9 weeks at Curran Hall CC
Spring ~ 2246675

New Summer Camp

Eco Camp 6-12 years Curran Hall CC 7 weeks \$107/5 days

Registration for all Spring and Summer programs and camps begins **Sunday March 3rd, 2013 at 7am**. To register go online at www.toronto.ca/torontofun or call 416-338-4386.

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9. 2013 Budget

City Council has approved the 2013 Operating Budget of \$9.4 billion and a 2013-2022 Capital Budget and Plan of \$15.3 billion.

The 2013 Council-approved Operating Budget will fund everyday expenses such as salaries, rent, fuel, electricity and commodities that are required to deliver City services. It also includes a property tax rate increase of 2% for residential and 0.67% for business properties and a TTC fare increase of 5 cents for customers. Total taxes are increasing by 1.3%.

The 2% residential property tax increase translates to an increase of \$62.08 for the average residential household assessed at \$474,368 in 2013 with the final 2013 municipal taxes on the typical home being \$2,532. Of the \$62.08

increase, \$12.43 reflects the average amount transferred to residential properties from business property classes in order to make Toronto more competitive in a global economy.

Toronto's 2013 Operating Budget was balanced through a combination of \$187 million in cost savings and efficiencies and \$251 million in increased revenue. The cost savings and service efficiencies have limited impacts, enabling the City to maintain its core services that resident's value.

City Council also approved a Capital Budget of \$2.270 billion for 2013 and \$15.256 billion for its 10-year Capital Plan. The 10-year Capital Plan achieves a balance between maintaining existing City assets in a state of good repair and undertaking construction projects needed for a growing city. The 2013-2022 Capital Budget and Plan accommodates an additional \$1.2 billion for transit as well as ongoing rehabilitation work on the Gardiner Expressway, road resurfacing and reconstruction and key capital projects to address traffic congestion.

Included in the approved Capital Budget and Plan is a strategy to hold the line on debt by injecting \$1.2 billion of non-debt financing from future year-end surplus funds according to its surplus management policy, sale proceeds from the monetization of City assets and real estate, development charges, investment returns and expected funding from federal and provincial funding programs. The move will also ensure that the City's debt levels remain below its 15% threshold relative to property taxes and restrict the cost of interest charges from borrowing, which is paid for through property taxes in the operating budget. Currently, debt charges remain as the third largest expense on the average property tax bill in Toronto, following police services and the TTC.

To view the budget visit: http://www.toronto.ca/budget2013/taxsupported/newsreleases_factsheets.htm

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10. Toronto Public Library

Board Chair election:

I would like to thank the Toronto Public Library Board for the opportunity to continue to serve as Chair. Leading the Board has enabled me to work with many organizations across the city to address their community library needs. As the Board moves forward we have many exciting programs and plans on delivering excellent reading, literacy and lifelong learning programs and services.

Toronto Public Library Celebrates Black History Month -Free programs, concerts & plays across the City

Celebrate Black History Month at branches across the city during February. A slate of free author visits, plays, poetry events, drumming and dancing programs, storytellers and historians will help Toronto celebrate the heritages, traditions and cultures of African-Canadians.

This year's Black History Month programming will kick off with an Up Close and Intimate visit with Juno and Grammy award winner Dan Hill, interviewed by jazz great Joe Sealy. (February 6, 7 pm, North York Central Library).

Program highlights continue with AfriCan Theatre Ensemble staging two plays, The Meeting and Lost, at various branches, while author Bryan Prince will present his new title One More River to Cross as a musical program and dramatic reading.

Jazz pianist Mboya Nicholson will explore the roots of jazz in a pair of concerts at North York Central Library, while Soul Influence, the award-winning a cappella ensemble sings in the stacks at Deer Park Branch. Check out even more free Black History Month events at Toronto Public Library:

- * Defining Canadian Urban Fiction with a special panel discussion led by urban Canadian writers, educators & cultural advocates
- * Capoeira: An Afro-Brazilian Art with Master Marcio Mendes from Muiraquitã Capoeira
- * Storytelling with Gail Nyoka and Sandra Whiting
- * Drumming with Njacko Backo, Muhtadi and Mystic Drumz
- * Visits by authors Rosemary Sadlier, Dalton Higgins, Elizabeth Abbott and Dirk McLean
- * Discover the richness of Toronto Public Library's Rita Cox Black & Caribbean Heritage Collections, located in four Branches across the city.

For more information and a complete list of all Black History Month events, pick up a Black History Month program guide and reading list at any Toronto Public Library branch, call Answerline at 416-393-7131, visit <http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/blackhistory> or drop by your local branch.

To learn more about Toronto Public Library, <http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca/> follow us on Twitter @torontolibrary<twitter.com/torontolibrary>.

Toronto Public Library is the world's busiest urban public library system. Every year, more than 19 million people visit our branches in neighbourhoods across the city and borrow over 33 million items.

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 11. Employment lands – draft Official Plan Policy

[Link to information session](#)

City staff developed new draft Official Plan policies for employment lands which were presented to the Planning and Growth Management Committee and Council meetings on November 8, 2012 and November 27, 28 and 29, 2012 respectively.

As reflected in the recommendations adopted by Council, City Planning staff have commenced consultations on the draft policies and have scheduled 4 Open Houses to present and discuss the draft employment lands policies and designations, as well as preliminary assessments of conversion requests.

The Open Houses will take place as follows:

- Tuesday, February 12, 2013, Etobicoke Civic Centre, 2 Civic Centre Crt, Council Chambers
- Thursday, February 14, 2013, Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr, Council Chambers
- Tuesday, February 19, 2013, North York Civic Centre, 5100 Yonge St, Members Lounge
- Afternoon open house 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm, presentation and facilitated discussion at 3:30 pm
- Evening open house 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm, presentation and facilitated discussion at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, February 27, 2013, City Hall, Council Chambers and Members Lounge, 100 Queen Street West.

Open house 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm, presentation and question and answer period at 7:00 pm
 Rogers TV.com will LIVE stream this session where you can tweet in your comments and questions. Bookmark RogersTV webpage for this public meeting: www.rogerstv.com/OurCity

For more information on the employment lands review and our public consultation to date please visit the website at: toronto.ca/opreview/employment

We would appreciate if you could include this information in any community newsletter and forward the attached flyer to any potentially interested constituents.

If you have questions regarding the consultations please contact Paul Bain, Project Manager, at (416) 392-8781 or pbain@toronto.ca

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12. Toronto launches Feeling Congested? Transportation consultation

The City of Toronto launched a public consultation campaign with the aim of engaging Torontonians on a range of issues related to transportation planning, priorities and funding.

This engagement, called Feeling Congested?, will support and inform the comprehensive review of Toronto's Official Plan transportation policies, as well as the development of a new long-term transportation plan, and a funding and investment strategy.

The City would like to hear from users of all transportation modes (driving, transit, walking, cycling) in all parts of the city. The City Planning Division has planned in-person events (open houses and expert panel sessions), online consultation tools, social media, and do-it-yourself consultation opportunities intended to achieve broad participation.

The following in-person consultation meetings will be held in the coming days:

- February 4 - York Civic Centre, 2700 Eglinton Ave. W. (Foyer)
- February 6 - Scarborough Civic Centre, 150 Borough Dr. (Rotunda)
- February 11 - North York Civic Centre, 5100 Yonge St. (Members Lounge)
- February 13 - City Hall, 100 Queen St. W. (Rotunda)

The meetings will consist of an afternoon session (4 to 6:30 p.m.) and an evening session (6:30 to 9 p.m.), which will both contain the same content. The meeting format will consist of open house display boards, a power point presentation and a table/group discussion/question-and-answer period.

In addition to the in-person consultation, residents will also have the opportunity to provide feedback online at <http://www.feelingcongested.ca>. The interactive survey will allow users to rank transportation priorities and funding methods. This data will be collected and integrated with the assessments generated at the in-person events.

The results of these consultations will culminate in a recommendation to Council on the City of Toronto's feedback to Metrolinx on its next wave of priority projects and on Torontonians' opinion of Metrolinx funding options. The results will also provide greater clarity to public and private sector partners on the direction of the City's transportation infrastructure investment.

Phases two and three of the consultation will follow this current phase, and will include additional meetings being held between April and November. Phase two will determine the City of Toronto's priority projects and refinements to other Official Plan transportation policies, while phase three will look at connecting revenue tools to priority projects.

The outcomes of this overall process will ultimately inform revisions to the City of Toronto's Official Plan policies.

Be part of the conversation. Visit the website and take the survey, follow us on twitter @congestedTO, email us at feelingcongested@toronto.ca, like us on facebook at facebook.com/feelingcongested, and sign up to receive e-updates from the City <http://www.toronto.ca/e-updates/index.htm> (check the "Official Plan" box).

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13. City Investment Programs

The following 4 Community Investment programs are now open for 2013 applications. Information has been circulated to community organizations that may be interested in applying.

Applications for these programs will be made on-line through the Corporate Grants Information System. Training sessions on how to use the on-line system are provided for all interested organizations. Instructions on how to apply can be found at www.toronto.ca/grants.

1. Access, Equity & Human Rights Investment program (application due February 27, 2013)

The Access, Equity and Human Rights (AEHR) Investment Program is an investment funding program that supports the capacity of community organizations and residents to act on human rights, accessibility, equity, discrimination and hate crime concerns in their neighbourhoods and communities. By providing project funding to community organizations, the City is able to promote access, equity and respect for human rights in more ways than it would be able to accomplish on its own. **For more information** please go to:

<http://www.toronto.ca/grants/aehr/index.htm>

For questions please contact the AEHR Program Staff Lead: **Augusto Mathias** at 416-392-1087 or by email at amathias@toronto.ca or **Joanne Kviring** at 416-392-8334 or by email at jkvirin@toronto.ca

2. Community Festivals & Special Events Investment program (application due March 7, 2013)

Community Festivals & Special Events Investment program provides developmental or seed funding to help community-based not-for-profit festivals and events grow and increase their effectiveness while encouraging organizers to work towards self supporting the event.

A festival is a temporary gathering that brings people together for particular purposes. It may range in theme, scale and duration. To be eligible for support, the festival must be accessible to the general public and improve the quality of life of the community. **For more information** please go to: <http://www.toronto.ca/grants/cfse/index.htm> , **for questions** please contact the Community Festivals & Special Events Program Staff Lead: **Laurie O'Dell** at 416-392-8527 or by email at lodell@toronto.ca or **Joanne Kviring** at 416-392-8334 or by email at jkvirin@toronto.ca

3. Community Recreation (application due March 5, 2013)

The Community Recreation Investment Program provides short-term grants to projects that contribute to the City's goal to increase participation in recreation activities that support social and physical development. By working through community based organizations, the City is able to improve access for those with the greatest need, including ethno-cultural communities and equity seeking groups, than it would be able to offer on its own. **For more information** please go to: <http://www.toronto.ca/grants/community-recreation/index.htm>. **for questions** please contact the Community Recreation Investment Funding Program Staff Lead **Laurie O'Dell** at 416-392-8527 or by email at lodell@toronto.ca or **Joanne Kviring** at 416-392-8334 or by email at jkvirin@toronto.ca

4. Community Safety (application due February 21, 2013)

The Community Safety Investment Program is an investment funding program that helps the City of Toronto achieve its social, economic and cultural goals by engaging community-based organizations in efforts to reduce violence and increase safety for the most vulnerable groups in Toronto. Funding supports outcome-focused activities that build community capacity for violence prevention and increase safety for the most vulnerable groups in Toronto.

For more information please go to: <http://www.toronto.ca/grants/csi/index.htm> **For questions** please contact the Community Safety Investment Program Staff Lead **Kin Wah Siu** at 416-392-9207 or by email at ksiu@toronto.ca

Information Sessions for Applicants

Information sessions are scheduled through mid-February for interested organizations to learn more about the funding criteria and talk with staff. Locations and times for the information sessions can be found in the guidelines and on the funding program web pages.

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14. City Agency, Boards, Commissions and Volunteer Opportunities

Recruitment is underway for 7 citizen positions on the Build Toronto Board of Directors.

Applications forms are available at <http://www.toronto.ca/public-appointments/opportunities.htm> .

Information about Build Toronto is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/abcc/obca-build-toronto.htm> .

Applications may be submitted until 4:30 pm, Monday, February 11, 2013.

An education and outreach program, using resident volunteers, to help people living in multi-family residential buildings, reduce, reuse and recycle more of their wastes. The program started in November (200)

3Rs Ambassador Volunteer Program <http://www.toronto.ca/garbage/multi/ambassador/index.htm> Training Sessions

- **February 2013 Training Session**
Part 1: Tuesday February 19
Part 2: Thursday February 21

Time: 6:00 to 9:00 pm
Location: City Hall, 100 Queen St. W.

To register for the program and upcoming training sessions, fill out an [online volunteer application form](#). For further information contact 416-392-0118 or Email: aksiaze@toronto.ca

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15. Events at historic sites

Events at historic sites

Montgomery's Inn will present classical music by the Agelos Trio on Saturday, February 9. Todmorden Mills will present a family workshop on making old-fashioned candy and chocolates on Sunday, February 10. Pre-registration is required for both events. Details and other museum events: www.toronto.ca/museum-events

Museum programs on February 15

Toronto residents can register their children for a day of activities at Gibson House and Scarborough Museum on February 15. Most Toronto children will be out of school that day – a scheduled Professional Activity (PA) day for teachers. Details: <http://www.toronto.ca/culture/museums/camps.htm>

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16. 2013 Capital Construction Information

The City of Toronto has updated its website that shows planned capital construction work that is occurring in your neighbourhood in 2013.

The mapping tool, called **T.O. INview** (short for **IN** frastructure **viewer**), allows users to learn about projects that the City, utilities, and other agencies including Metrolinx and the TTC, plan to construct this year. New for 2013, the site features information from Economic Development and Culture and Parks, Forestry and Recreation and cycling infrastructure from the Transportation Services division.

The site can be accessed by clicking on www.toronto.ca/inview.

In addition to providing details about the nature of individual projects, the system will be used to improve coordination of projects, with the goal of more efficient capital expenditures and reduced inconvenience to the public.

The new site will show planned capital work, but not emergency or short term work. To find this information, click on www.toronto.ca/torontostreets -- the city's road restrictions website. It's a great place to find out about short term construction work and special events that affect our roads so that you can make travel plans in the city

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17. Pan Am Games Mascot Contest

Great Contest open to all kids six (6) years of age or older who want to use their imaginations to design a mascot for 2015 Toronto Pan Am Games? <http://bit.ly/XQwHeo>

Until March 8, 2013, the **TORONTO 2015 MASCOT** Creation Challenge invites kids from across Canada to design a mascot for the TORONTO 2015 Games.

The winning mascot will be a big personality both leading up to and during the Games. It will welcome visitors and spectators, visit schools and community events, and appear on signs, merchandise and more!

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18. Quote of the Month

"Healthy citizens are the greatest asset any country can have" Winston Churchill

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19. Websites for Community Use

<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

www.toronto.ca/wbey/subscribe.htm.
We've been expecting you

<http://onthedon.createsend2.com/t/r/l/tlwukt/bhdtokrth/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/transportation/snow
City of Toronto Winter Operations - Snow

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.ourkgocommunity.com

Kingston Galloway Community Network

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 the little ones 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 Coalition

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