# **EAST YORK - DIEPPE - DANFORTH**

# **SPRING 2023 UPDATE**



### East York Farmers' Market

The East York Farmers' Market returns on May 16th. It will be held every Tuesday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the East York Civic Centre at 850 Coxwell Avenue.



## Deeply Rooted Farmers' Market

The Deeply Rooted Farmers' Market, Toronto's first Black and Indigenous farmers' market, returns to Dieppe Park this year. The market will run on Sundays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning May 21st.



Visit their website deeplyrootedmarket.ca for more.



RH McGregor Public School at Coxwell and Mortimer.

# RH McGregor PS Intersection Safety Update

In February I moved a successful motion to improve pedestrian safety in the RH McGregor Public School area. My motion called for a second crossing guard at Coxwell and Mortimer and the relocation of a bus shelter to provide more space for pedestrians.



#### 2023 Agnes Macphail Award

Dr. Shakhlo Sharipova is the 2023 Agnes Macphail Award Recipient!

Dr. Sharipova founded the Thorncliffe Park Autism Support Network, which provides information and inclusive activities for children living with autism and their families. She also organized a toy drive for low-income families, the Ramadan Free Hot Meal Project and fundraises to provide food and supplies to families and seniors in need.

Dr. Sharipova's dedication to East York is incredible and I couldn't be prouder to see her inspiring community service recognized with this special award. Learn more at *toronto.ca/agnes-macphail-award*.



City of Toronto rendering of proposed intersection redesign.

# Pape and Donlands Intersection Safety Improvements

The City of Toronto is planning improvements to the Pape and Donlands Avenue intersection immediately south of the Leaside Bridge.

This will include widened sidewalks, new pedestrian crossings and bikeways as well as enhancements to green spaces and bus stops.

Work is scheduled to begin this year. More information is available at toronto.ca/millwood-road-safety-improvements.



The 2023 Greek Independence Day Parade on the Danforth.

# New Self-Service Hours for Todmorden Room Library

Monday: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

**Tuesday:** 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. **Wednesday:** 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. **Thursday:** 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

**Friday:** 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. **Saturday:** 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Sunday: Closed

## **Dieppe Park Phase II Improvements**

Work on the second phase of park improvements is scheduled for this summer to add a flexible play area for drop-in games or picnicking, tree planting

between park amenities and neighbouring homes, outdoor fitness and exercise equipment stations, a shade structure, ping pong terrace and a steel frame pavilion to shade an area for picnic table seating.

Visit toronto.ca/dieppe-parkimprovements to learn more.



# **Councillor Paula Fletcher**

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# **FREE COMPOST**

# COUNCILLOR Paula Fletcher's COMPOST DAYS

Compost will be dropped off early — be sure to bring your own shovel and container.

- PHIN PARK Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 7:00 a.m.
- MONARCH PARK Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 8:00 a.m.
- KEMPTON HOWARD PARK Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 9:00 a.m.
- RIVERDALE PARK Saturday, April 22nd, 2023 11:00 a.m.
- GREENWOOD PARK Sunday, April 23rd, 2023 7:00 a.m.
- WILKINSON PUBLIC SCHOOL Sunday, April 23rd, 2023 8:00 a.m.
- WITHROW PARK Saturday, June 3rd, 2023 7:00 a.m.
- EAST YORK CIVIC CENTRE Tuesday, June 20th, 2023 9:00 a.m.

For information visit: paulafletcher.ca /compost\_days\_2023





SAVE THE

Saturday May 20th, 2023 10:00A.M. -TO- 2:00P.M.

# **By-Election for Mayor**

The mayoral by-election is scheduled for June 26th, 2023. Visit www.toronto.ca/elections to learn more.



Paula and School Trustee Sara Ehrhardt.

#### **Build the Park**

Metrolinx is relocating its planned GO Train Layover in the Don Valley to an alternative site, avoiding permanent ecological impacts to one of the great natural river valleys in our city. Thank you to the many community members for their tireless advocacy. This wouldn't have happened without you.



# Danforth Church to be Turned Into Affordable Seniors' Housing

The Danforth Baptist
Church at Bowden Street
and Danforth Avenue will
be transformed into 50 new
affordable homes for
seniors by Woodgreen
Community Services. It's
the first major development
on Danforth Avenue after
the adoption of the
Danforth Planning and
Heritage Study. I'm proud to
support this initiative and
thank everyone involved.

Learn more about this project at woodgreen.org/welcome-to-60-bowden-st.



## Celebrating Lunar New Year

I celebrated the Lunar New Year with the community, East Chinese Chamber of Commerce and students from Riverdale C.I. Happy Year of the Rabbit.

# Community Crisis Service Pilot is Successful

The Community Crisis
Service (TCCS) Launched
in early 2022, the
Community Crisis Service
(TCCS) delivers alternative,
community-led responses to mental
health calls and wellness checks instead
of the police. Program data shows
TCCS is successfully diverting 78 per
cent of the calls made to the police
about people in crisis and providing
referrals to community resources and
provide other support services to those
experiencing mental health crises.

Visit toronto.ca/toronto-community-crisis-service for more details.



Paula with Riverdale C.I. students during their protest of Bill 23.

# Standing Up Against Bill 23

The province's Bill 23 allows for development on the Greenbelt, two million acres of protected land that's critical to our environment. It could also prevent the city from requiring developers to replace affordable housing units in new developments. This will accelerate the loss of affordable housing, drive up rents and force people out of Toronto or into our overloaded shelter system.

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