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City addressing basement flooding calls and providing special garbage collection after storm

The City of Toronto is reminding residents to call 311, the City's 24-hour customer service line, to report basements flooded as a result of the intense rainfall on July 8.

311 is continuing to dispatch Toronto Water staff to investigate each call as quickly as possible. Residents are being asked to remain patient during this time. As of today, the City has received nearly 3,000 basement flooding calls. Due to the high volume of requests, it will take staff four to five days to visit a home once a call is received.

During investigations, Toronto Water staff will inspect the area's sewer system. If you are home when staff arrives, they will work with you to collect information on the cause of the flood. If you are not home, they will leave a door hanger with further details, including contact information for Toronto Water staff. Please do not call 311 once you receive a door hanger.

The results of these investigations will help the City determine if further solutions need to be put in place to help reduce basement flooding in areas most affected by the storm.

Residents are reminded to report flood-related property damage to their insurance provider as soon as possible. Take photos to support your insurance claim, and keep receipts for emergency repair work or cleanup.

Be mindful of health and safety when cleaning a flooded basement as you may be exposed to sewage or come in contact with water and electricity.

If the flooding is a result of a blocked drain pipe, leaking foundation walls or poor lot drainage on the property, the property owner is responsible for repairs and any subsequent damaged caused by the flooding.

If you believe the City has been negligent in maintaining City facilities or infrastructure, such as roads and sewers, you can file a claim. More information can be found at: www.toronto.ca/finance/insurance_claims.htm

Residents are also invited to learn more about the City of Toronto's Basement Flooding Subsidy Protection Program, which offers a financial subsidy to residents who isolate their home from the City's sewer system. Eligible improvements include disconnecting your foundation drains (weeping tiles) from the sewer system, and the installation of a backwater valve or sump pump.

For more information about basement flooding, including more prevention tips, visit <http://www.toronto.ca/water>.

Special garbage collection

The City will provide a special collection on Saturday, July 13 for waste created by flooding. Residents also have the option of setting out flood-damaged items on their regular garbage day. Residents are reminded to check with their insurance company before setting items out for collection (proof of damage prior to disposal may be needed for reimbursement). If it's at the curb, the City will collect it.

Bulky items such as couches, mattresses or other furniture do not need to be dismantled. Carpet must be tied in rolls measuring 1.2 metres (4 feet) in length. Smaller items should be placed in garbage bags; no City-issued Bag Tag required. Each bag or roll of carpet cannot weigh more than 20 kg (44 lbs). Please place all flood-damaged material out at the curb by 7 a.m. and leave items out until collected (collection may continue until Monday).

Green Bin collection is **not** part of the special collection. Place spoiled food items in the Green Bin for pickup on your regular collection day.

Do not set out any construction/renovation waste (i.e. drywall, wood) or household hazardous waste (i.e. paint cans, fluorescent lighting tubes/bulbs).

City of Toronto seeking to engage all residents on future of housing services for vulnerable Torontonians

The City of Toronto is inviting all residents to share their views on the delivery of services that prevent homelessness and help some of Toronto's most vulnerable residents find and keep permanent housing.

The City encourages all Toronto residents to get involved in the housing services conversation and go online to complete a survey about what services they feel are important, what gaps in service may exist, and what ideas they have about how to better integrate services such as eviction prevention, assistance to find affordable housing, drop-in centres and emergency shelter access.

The City will work with input from the public, service users, service providers and interested groups to develop a Housing Stability Service Plan. The plan, which will inform the City government's planning, management and delivery of housing services over the next five years, will be considered by City Council in the fall.

The City of Toronto will spend about \$665 million this year on housing and homelessness services, with the majority of it going to social housing subsidies. About \$164.5 million is invested through community agencies and City programs to provide housing and homelessness services such as emergency shelter, housing help and eviction prevention services, and other supports.

A website at www.toronto.ca/housing/housingservicesconsultations2013.htm has been created with background information, links to reports and a section called Housing Services at a Glance at www.toronto.ca/housing/housingservicesataglance.html. The web page also offers the content as a workbook that can be downloaded/printed.

The Housing Services at a Glance material provides a convenient summary and will be useful for an understanding of the complexities of housing and homelessness issues. The City will also use the website as a way to report back to the public on the ideas and direction that result from the consultations.

The survey is available at <https://research.ipsosinteractive.com/surveys/?pid=S1022150&id=&ldtype=real>

Feline Fiesta cat adoption blitz extended to July 20

The City of Toronto is extending Feline Fiesta, a cat adoption blitz, until July 20. Residents can adopt a kitten or cat for only \$25 (plus HST and a licence if applicable) from one of the City's four animal shelters.

More than 120 cats and kittens were adopted during the first two weeks of the blitz but there are many more felines waiting for permanent homes.

While most adoptions occur at one of the City's four animal shelters, Toronto Animal Services also works with off-site pet adoption partners (such as local pet supply stores) to showcase animals that need homes in local communities. A list of the City's adoption partners can be found at http://www.toronto.ca/animal_services/retailers.htm

Good preparation can ensure that the first few days with your new pet are stress-free, making this time a great starting point for your new pet to build strong bonds with your family that will last a lifetime. Get tips and information about preparing for your new pet at http://www.toronto.ca/animal_services/information-resources.htm.

If you wish to adopt a kitten or cat, visit a Toronto Animal Services shelter in your area, seven days a week, from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.:

North - 1300 Sheppard Ave. W. (east of Keele Street)

East - 821 Progress Ave. (west of Markham Road)

South - 15 Nova Scotia Ave. (Exhibition Place)

West - 146 The East Mall (Hwy. 427 and Dundas Street West)

This Month at the Assembly Hall

Forgotten Voices: Beyond the Conflict of the War of 1812: presented by Sirius Theatrical Company and Lakeshore Arts In Partnership with the Assembly Hall

July 6 & 7 at 7 pm, in parkland at the Assembly Hall

Based on historical records, letters, diaries and family histories, stories of the courage, loneliness, and perseverance of those left behind the lines will be woven into a theatre piece that will be performed this summer. For more information, please contact us at siriustheatrical.com/contact.

Musical Theatre Summer Camps

Full Day Musical Theatre Summer Camp (Ages 9 – 16) July 8 – 12, 9 am – 4:15 pm

Half Day Musical Theatre Summer Camp (Ages 9 – 16) July 15 – 19, 12:30 pm – 4:15 am

Half Day Broadway Babies Summer Camp (Ages 6 – 9) July 15 – 19, 9:30 am – 11:45 am

Presented by The Music Studio, students will learn singing, acting, dance, movement and scene skills. Take a trip to Broadway this summer! Cost (per person): Full Day - \$590; Half Day (AM) - \$185; Half Day (PM) - \$305. For more information or to register, please call 416-234-9268 or visit themusicstudio.com.

Happening Now at Lakeshore Arts

Lakeshore Arts is excited to announce its fantastic summer camp line up!

July 8-12. Photography Camp; *from pinhole to digital*. Ages 11-14. \$225

Location: Lakeshore Collegiate Institute. 353 Kipling Avenue.

This hands-on camp will teach budding photographers how to create a pinhole camera, develop photos in a darkroom and manipulate them in Photoshop. Participants have access to LCI's state of the art media studios, dark room and Mac lab! Also includes a final exhibition for family and friends. *Subsidies and family discounts available!
Contact bebhinn@lakeshorearts.ca or visit our website www.lakeshorearts.ca

July 15-26. ARTiculate, *youth leadership in the arts*. Ages 13-17. By donation*

Location: Mimico Presbyterian Church

ARTiculate is an innovative program for youth ages 13-17 featuring workshops with professional artists, field trips to art destinations, leadership training, a volunteer placement and a final exhibition and event. ARTiculate registration is by application and interview process. download registration at www.lakeshorearts.ca or contact bebhinn@lakeshorearts.ca

Local Events

July 13-14

BBQ/Garage Sale benefitting ALS

58 Elder Avenue from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Donations of \$20.00 or more will receive a tax receipt from the ALS society.

Monies raised from this event with the exception of a few items from the garage sale will be given to ALS.

Friday, July 19

Mimico by the Lake BIA presents Dancing under the Stars

Runs from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Amos Waites Square

Grab your dancing shoes and your friends and come out for an evening of "Dancing under the Stars" right here in Mimico by the Lake. Maximum Music will be taking requests all night, fun for all ages!

Saturday, July 20

Lake Shore Music Festival

Join the Lake Shore Village BIAs in celebrating their first annual music festival in New Toronto at a multitude of venues.

For more information, venues and bands check out their website at http://enjoytheshore.ca/Music_Festival.html

August 2nd – 5th

Lake Shore Mardi Gras

Stay tuned for more details on the 10th annual Lakeshore Mardi Gras at Colonel Samuel Smith.

Toronto Road Closures

For a full list of road closures please click here: http://www.toronto.ca/transportation/road_info/index.htm

Weekend events with road closures in Toronto

Three special events this weekend will involve road closures. Residents and visitors are encouraged to come out and enjoy these events. Businesses in the areas affected are open to pedestrian traffic but some roads will be closed to vehicles.

Festivals and other special events are important to the city, injecting hundreds of millions of dollars annually into Toronto's economy, and they are enjoyed each year by local residents.

In addition to road closures related to special events, there is a significant amount of road work taking place in the city. People are encouraged to take public transit as a greener, faster and more affordable way of getting to their destinations.

For those who need to drive in the general vicinity of special events, allow extra time to get to and from your destination. More information is available at <http://www.toronto.ca/torontostreets/>.

Salsa on St. Clair

St. Clair Avenue, from Winona Drive to Christie Street, will be closed in both directions from Saturday, July 13 at 8 a.m. to Sunday, July 14 at 11 p.m. Vaughan Road and Davenport Road are alternative east-west routes.

Honda Indy Weekend

Wednesday, July 10 at noon: Strachan Avenue from Lake Shore Boulevard to Fleet Street will be closed.

Wednesday, July 10 at 9 p.m.: Lake Shore Boulevard from Strachan Avenue to British Columbia Drive will be closed. Both closures are in effect until Sunday, July 14 at 12 midnight. There will be no eastbound or westbound traffic during this closure.

The only available access to Ontario Place will be from Lake Shore Boulevard at the foot of Strachan Avenue. Alternate east/west routes are the Gardiner Expressway or King Street.

Bloor West Village BIA Festival

Saturday, July 13 from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.: a series of road closures involving local roads running off Bloor Street will take place to accommodate this event. Closures will affect Windermere Avenue, Beresford Avenue, Glendonwynne Road, Armadale Avenue, Durie Street and Kennedy Avenue.

Toronto Public Health DineSafe

See the latest inspection results of any City of Toronto dining establishment online at <http://www.toronto.ca/health/dinesafe/>

Public Consultations

For a full list of consultations please visit <http://www.toronto.ca/civic-engagement/consultations.htm>

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March Break Camp:

March 11-15, 2013 \$250 (5 days)

PA Day Camps:

Monday	April 01, 2013	\$55
Monday	May 13, 2013	\$55
Friday	June 07, 2013	\$55
Friday	June 28, 2013	\$55

Summer Camps:

July 02-05, 2013	\$200 (4 days)
July 08-12, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 15-19, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 22-26, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
July 29-Aug. 02, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 06-09, 2013	\$200 (4 days)
August 12-16, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 19-23, 2013	\$250 (5 days)
August 26-30, 2013	\$250 (5 days)



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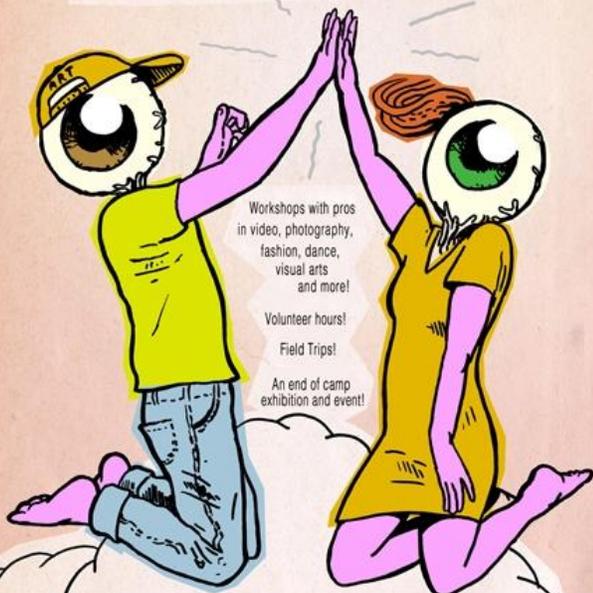
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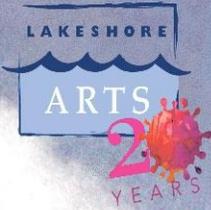
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