



STAFF REPORT INFORMATION ONLY

Homes for the Aged 20-Minute Toronto Makeover

Date:	May 5, 2008
To:	Advisory Committee on Homes for the Aged
From:	General Manager, Homes for the Aged
Wards:	All
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

Dozens of staff members, residents, and volunteers from Toronto Homes for the Aged joined in the fifth annual 20-Minute Toronto Makeover on Friday, April 18, 2008 showing their civic pride, pitching in and picking up to keep Toronto clean and beautiful.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

ISSUE/BACKGROUND

As part of the Clean and Beautiful City initiative, schools, offices and businesses were asked to go out for 20 minutes and pick up litter and debris in and around their location on Friday, April 18, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. Within Toronto Homes for the Aged, and as part of the divisional effort to create a coordinated Litter Action Team, the Building Services Manager and the Co-ordinator of Volunteers were responsible for organizing participation.

Direction was provided but managers were left to decide what division of duties would work best within the Home. The Building Services Manager was asked to register the event, arrange to pick up supplies (bags and gloves) in advance, distribute supplies to the participants and oversee the event on April 18. The Co-ordinator, Volunteer Services was sought to provide home education for the event, recruit participants (staff, volunteers, family members), arrange for day of photos and provide a brief wrap up summary for the event.

COMMENTS

On Friday afternoon, groups gathered to clean up the grounds and surrounding areas at Toronto Homes for the Aged sites. There were approximately 140 participants including managers, staff, residents, volunteers, students and family members. It was a clear and warm afternoon to work outside and the efforts were clearly visible and after just 20 minutes almost 110 litter bags were gathered from the gardens, grounds, parking lots, along fences, the streetscape, and in nearby parkettes and ravines.

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ATTACHMENTS

(1) 20-Minute Makeover Photos