

# Toronto and East York District Spring and Summer 2012

# Community Events • Groups • Services



## Be a participant in your City and Community

### City-wide Events

#### Barry Zukerman Theatre (located in Earl Bales Park)

4169 Bathurst St (south of Sheppard Ave, W)  
416-395-7873

Join us this summer for free performances at the beautiful, outdoor Barry Zukerman Theatre. Call 416-392-3846, in May, for performance schedules.

#### Attention community performing groups...

Are you interested in showcasing your talents on our stage this spring and summer? The amphitheatre has seating for 1500 people. Call for more information 416-395-7873.

#### Mel Lastman Square

5100 Yonge St  
416-395-7582, [toronto.ca/parks/events/mel-lastman.htm](http://toronto.ca/parks/events/mel-lastman.htm)

Free outdoor excitement with special events showcasing music, art, dance, theatre, food, outdoor movies and sports are planned by various community groups. Mel Lastman Square features an outdoor amphitheatre, garden court, wedding chapel, water fountains and reflecting pool. For details and updates on events call 311 or the event hotline at 416-395-7582 or [toronto.ca/parks/events/mel-lastman.htm](http://toronto.ca/parks/events/mel-lastman.htm)

#### High Park Children's Garden

South end of High Park on Colborne Lodge Dr  
416-392-1329, [torontochildrensgarden.ca](http://torontochildrensgarden.ca)

#### Children's Teaching Kitchen Grand Opening

Take tours of the kitchen, help plant vegetables, enjoy nature games and activities and have some free tasty celebratory snacks. Learn how to apply the Kitchen's environmental features to your own home. Built with plastered straw bale walls and a green roof, it's one of the most environmentally friendly buildings in the City.

April 21, 12NOON-4PM Free admission

#### The Very Berry Brouhaha

Join us for a little summer berry fun at the High Park Children's Garden. Have a free harvest lunch, organic garden activities, crafts, music, games and plenty of family fun. All ages welcome.

July 15, 12NOON-4PM Free admission

#### The Summer Squash Sunny Soiree

Join us for an enchanted afternoon or, as we like to say, "early, early evening" of organic gardening activities and crafts. Enjoy a free harvest lunch and learn more about the wonders of the summer squash. We'll also have games, bug hunts and scavenger hunts the whole family can enjoy.

August 19, 12NOON-4PM Free admission

#### Toronto Islands

9 Queens Quay, W (ferry docks), 416-392-8192

#### Toronto Island Spring Bird Walk

Meet at the Rectory Café on Wards Island (ferry at 8:30AM from mainland). Bring your own binoculars. Ferry fees are not included in the cost of this event.

April 22, 9AM-12:30PM

Code# 1963211 (you must be registered to attend)

#### Franklin Children's Garden Annual Scavenger Hunt (3-10 yrs)

Tattoos, games, storytelling, nature studies and of course, the Franklin Scavenger Hunt. Call 416-392-8192 for more information.

May 13, 10:30AM-12:30PM

Code: 1963206 (children must be registered to attend)

Ferry fees are not included in the cost of this event.

#### Toronto Island Family Fishing Festival

Games, face painting, loads of environmental education and lots of fishing. Rods and reels will be handed out to the first arriving families. Take the centre island ferry and join us for lots of fun and fishing the lagoons of the beautiful Toronto Islands.

July 8, 10:30AM-1:30PM

Code: 1963363 (you must be registered to attend)

Free event (ferry fee not included)

#### Toronto Island Tour des Trees and Tree Festival

Lots of fun, tree knowledge and contests for the whole family. Call 416-392-8192 for more details.

**Tour des Trees:** June 9, 10AM Centre Island Docks (on island)

Code: 1963209 (you must be registered to attend)

**Tree Festival:** June 9, 12:30PM Franklin Children's Garden

Code: 1963210 (you must be registered to attend)

Free events (not including ferry fees)

# We focus on healthy child development!

As a HIGH FIVE® Registered Organization, we are committed to implementing safety and quality measures for our children's recreation and sport programs.

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HIGH FIVE® A quality standard for children's sport and recreation  
Founded by Parks and Recreation Ontario

[www.HIGHFIVE.org](http://www.HIGHFIVE.org)



## Community Events

### Riverdale Farm

201 Winchester St, 416-392-6794  
e-mail: [farm@toronto.ca](mailto:farm@toronto.ca)  
website: [toronto.ca/parks/riverdalefarm](http://toronto.ca/parks/riverdalefarm)



### Annual Rites of Spring Celebration

- Toronto Guild of Spinners & Weavers demonstrate fleece skirting-washing-carding, felt making, creating natural dyes, spinning, and weaving.
- Sheep shearing
- Sheep herding with border collie dogs
- Riverdale Farm Garden Club fundraising plant sale
- Cabbagetown/Regent Park Museum exhibits
- Outdoor wood-fired oven treats

May 26, 9:30AM-3:30PM

### Scadding Court CC

707 Dundas St W, 416-392-0335

### Gone Fishin' at Scadding Court Community Centre

Scadding Court Community Centre will transform its indoor swimming pool into a live fish pond. People of all ages, backgrounds and abilities will have the chance to fish for rainbow trout. Aside from being a lot of fun, people will learn about ecology, the environment, nutrition and where our food comes from. School groups bookings are available during the day. Please contact Mohsin Khattak for booking or further information at 416-392-0335 ext. 228 or [mohsin@scaddingcourt.org](mailto:mohsin@scaddingcourt.org)

June 11-16, M-F 3:30PM-7PM, Sat 10AM-5PM

## East York Canada Day 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations



The longest running all-day community event celebrating Canada's birthday. Canada! Parade! Midway! Fireworks! Tents filled with booths full of crafts, food and valuable community information. There will also be street displays and demonstrations. The stage shows include multi-cultural dancing and lots of entertainment. Events start at 11AM at Stan Wadlow Park (Woodbine/O'Connor Aves).

### General Day Activities:

#### Parade

9AM..... Motorcade starts at East York Town Ctr  
10AM..... Marching bands start at Dieppe Park  
12NOON..... Marching bands arrive at Stan Wadlow Park

#### Park Events

11AM..... Park opens to the public – booths, bingo, general attractions  
11:30AM..... Amusements midway area opens  
12NOON..... Opening Ceremonies on stage  
1-5PM..... Entertainment, street displays, Winged Wheels  
12NOON-8PM.. Free swimming at Kiwanis Pool  
7PM-10PM..... Evening stage entertainment from jazz to rock  
10PM..... Fireworks display  
11PM..... Park closes

Watch for further information in the local media or call 416-238-9913 or visit [julyfirstparade.com](http://julyfirstparade.com).

## Association of Community Centres (AOCC) and the Toronto Association of Neighbourhood Services (TANS)

Community centres represented by these two organizations offer a broad selection of programs and services including sports, recreational and social activities for children, youth, adults and seniors as well as language classes, legal aid clinics and counselling groups, home support programs such as Meals on Wheels and more. These centres are supported in part by the City of Toronto. Many programs are free; others charge only a nominal sum based on ability to pay.

Our community centres rely on volunteers to direct the work of the agencies as well as to help provide their community-oriented programs and services. Please consider investing in your community. Most centres provide orientation classes and support staff, so enthusiasm - not experience - counts.

Centre space is available to community groups. For more information on the programs and services offered, or to find out how you can become a community centre volunteer, please call the centres directly at the numbers listed below, or drop in to talk to staff and other volunteers.

### Locations:

**Applegrove Community Complex**  
60 Woodfield Rd, 416-461-8143

**Cecil Community Centre**  
58 Cecil St, 416-392-1090

**Central Eglinton Community Centre**  
160 Eglinton Ave, E, 416-392-0511

**519 Church Street Community Centre**  
519 Church St, 416-392-6874

**Community Centre 55**  
97 Main St, 416-691-1113

**Eastview Neighbourhood Community Centre**  
86 Blake St, 416-392-1750

**Harbourfront Community Centre**  
627 Queen's Quay, W, 416-392-1509

**Ralph Thornton Community Centre**  
765 Queen St, E, 416-392-6810

**Scadding Court Community Centre**  
707 Dundas St, E, 416-392-0335

**Swansea Town Hall Community Centre**  
95 Lavinia St, 416-392-1954

## Community Group Listings

### Policy for Toronto FUN Guide

Community groups have the opportunity to receive a free group listing in the *FUN Guide*. See below for eligibility.

- A community group or not-for-profit organization must be able to provide a not-for-profit registration number or a written recommendation from Toronto Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff verifying its status.
- The sole purpose of the organization is to provide leisure programs, activities and/or services that are recreational, and/or instructional in nature.
- To obtain a Community Group package, listing all criteria and application form, email us at [funguide@toronto.ca](mailto:funguide@toronto.ca) or fax your group's name and full address to 416-392-5859 (attention *FUN Guide* group listings).

#### ARTS

Canadian Bookbinders and Book Artists Guild	<a href="http://www.cbbag.ca">www.cbbag.ca</a>
Cedar Ridge Studio Gallery	Joy Hughes, 416-396-4112
Choralairs of North York	Sally Levy, 416-636-8247
Etobicoke Centennial Choir	<a href="http://www.etobicokecentennialchoir.ca">www.etobicokecentennialchoir.ca</a>
Etobicoke Philharmonic Orchestra	<a href="http://www.eporchestra.ca">www.eporchestra.ca</a>
Galaxy-Country/Western & Gospel Music	F Rodriguez, 416-491-6567
Gilbert & Sullivan Society Toronto	<a href="http://www.gilbertandsullivan-toronto.ca">www.gilbertandsullivan-toronto.ca</a>
Harbourfront Centre	<a href="http://www.harbourfrontcentre.com">www.harbourfrontcentre.com</a>
Jubilate Singers	<a href="http://www.jubilatesingers.ca">www.jubilatesingers.ca</a>
NYCO Symphony Orchestra	<a href="http://www.nyco.on.ca">www.nyco.on.ca</a>
Recorder Players Society of Toronto	<a href="http://www.cammac.ca/english/Regions/Toronto/RPS.shtml">www.cammac.ca/english/Regions/Toronto/RPS.shtml</a>
The Art Guild of Scarborough	<a href="http://www.theartguildofscarborough.com">www.theartguildofscarborough.com</a>
The Toronto Accolades	<a href="http://www.torontoaccolades.com">www.torontoaccolades.com</a>
Toronto Early Music Players Organization	<a href="http://homes.chass.utoronto.ca/~dresher/TEMPO/">homes.chass.utoronto.ca/~dresher/TEMPO/</a>
Women's Musical Club of Toronto	<a href="http://www.wmct.on.ca">www.wmct.on.ca</a>

#### FITNESS/WALKING

Cornelius Community Group	Lillian Paiano, 416-248-0483
Japan Karate-Do Kenseikan Canada	Nandana (chief instructor), 647-998-7933
Toronto Bruce Trail Club	<a href="http://www.torontobruceclub.org">www.torontobruceclub.org</a>

#### GENERAL INTEREST

Canadian Federation of University Women Etobicoke	<a href="http://www.cfuwetobicoke.ca">www.cfuwetobicoke.ca</a>
Christopher Leadership Course in Effective Speaking & Self Confidence	<a href="http://www.clctorontoeast.com">www.clctorontoeast.com</a>
RCL Mount Dennis Branch 31	<a href="mailto:legionbr31@yahoo.com">legionbr31@yahoo.com</a>
Royal Canadian Sea Cadet Corps Ojibwa	Melissa King, 416-253-6289
Scarborough Garden & Horticultural Society	<a href="mailto:scarborogarden@yahoo.ca">scarborogarden@yahoo.ca</a>
The James Shaver Woodsworth Homestead Foundation	Deborah Tait, 416-622-4124
Toronto Field Naturalists	<a href="http://www.torontofieldnaturalists.org">www.torontofieldnaturalists.org</a>
Toronto Zoo	<a href="http://www.torontozoo.com">www.torontozoo.com</a>

#### OLDER ADULTS

Ancaster Seniors Bingo	Annette Ross, 416-633-4273
Edithvale Seniors Bingo Club	Patricia Johnston, 416-443-9102
Edithvale Seniors Euchre Club	Diane Richard, 416-221-3208
Humber Seniors Curling Club	<a href="http://www.humberseniorscurling.ca">www.humberseniorscurling.ca</a>
The Second Mile Club of Toronto	Margaret Riach/Ann Dalley, 416-597-0841
Tuesday Bridge	Trudy Koivu 416-429-9274

#### PRE-SCHOOL

Edithvale Afternoon Adventures	Mary, 416-229-6438
Edithvale Tiny Tots	Mary, 416-229-6438
My First Preschool-Co-op Nursery Program	<a href="http://www.myfirstpreschool.ca">www.myfirstpreschool.ca</a>
My First Preschool-Summer Camp	<a href="http://www.myfirstpreschool.ca">www.myfirstpreschool.ca</a>
Preschool Adventure Tots (P.A.T.)	Giselle Damiani, 416-709-2999
Wilmington Tiny Tots	Noreen, 416-395-7892

#### SPORTS

3T Program	<a href="mailto:rogers.3t@sympatico.ca">rogers.3t@sympatico.ca</a>
Alderwood Teddy Bares	<a href="http://www.biscuit.ca/atb">www.biscuit.ca/atb</a>
Cosmopolitan Netball Club	J Tripp, 416-438-2186
Curran Hall Park Tennis Club	Anita Singh, 416-283-4096
East Toronto Baseball	David Breech, 416-759-9997
Etobicoke Ringette Association	<a href="http://www.etobicoke-ringette.com">www.etobicoke-ringette.com</a>
Etobicoke Seniors Cross Country Ski Club	<a href="http://www.x-countryskiclub.com">www.x-countryskiclub.com</a>
Etobicoke Speed Skating Club	<a href="http://http://espsk8.blogspot.com">http://espsk8.blogspot.com</a>
Etobicoke Youth Soccer Club	Bruno Donatelli, 416-622-8726
Goulding Karate Club	<a href="mailto:gouldingkarateclub@gmail.com">gouldingkarateclub@gmail.com</a>
Heron Park Tennis Club	<a href="http://www.heironparktennis.com">www.heironparktennis.com</a>
Lawrence Park Lawn Bowling & Croquet Club	<a href="http://www.lawrenceparklawnbowling.com">www.lawrenceparklawnbowling.com</a>
Leaside Baseball Association	<a href="http://www.leasidebaseball.com">www.leasidebaseball.com</a>
Leaside Lawn Bowling Club	<a href="http://www.leasidebowls.ca">www.leasidebowls.ca</a>
Maryvale Tennis Club	<a href="mailto:levesque9851@rogers.com">levesque9851@rogers.com</a>
North Bendale Tennis Club	<a href="http://www.northbendaletennisclub.org">www.northbendaletennisclub.org</a>
North York Masters Aquatic Club	<a href="http://www.swimgators.com">www.swimgators.com</a>
North York Storm Girls Hockey	<a href="http://www.northyorkstorm.com">www.northyorkstorm.com</a>
Ontario Volleyball Association-SPIKES	<a href="http://www.ontariovolleyball.org">www.ontariovolleyball.org</a>
Outing Club of East York	Lucy Perri, 416-288-0293
Royal City Soccer Club	<a href="http://www.royalsoccer.com">www.royalsoccer.com</a>
Royal York Baseball League	<a href="http://www.rybl.com">www.rybl.com</a>
Scarborough Bluffs Tennis Club	<a href="http://www.sbttennis.org">www.sbttennis.org</a>
Scarborough Soccer Association	<a href="http://www.ssasoccer.net">www.ssasoccer.net</a>
Scarborough Tennis Federation	<a href="http://www.scarboroughtennis.com">www.scarboroughtennis.com</a>
Scarborough Winter Tennis Club	<a href="http://www.swtc.ca">www.swtc.ca</a>
Seven Oaks Tennis Club	<a href="mailto:richardmatsugu@rogers.com">richardmatsugu@rogers.com</a>
Singles Over 25 Badminton Club	Bill Karvonen, 416-618-5803
Tam Heather Tennis Club	<a href="http://www.tamheather.ca">www.tamheather.ca</a>
Topham Park Womens Recreational Softball	Pat Otes 416-759-5822

Toronto Windsurfing Club	<a href="http://www.torontowindsurfingclub.com">www.torontowindsurfingclub.com</a>
Trailblazers Tandem Cycling Club	<a href="http://www.torontotrailblazers.org">www.torontotrailblazers.org</a>
Trakkers Cross Country Ski Club	<a href="http://www.trakkers.ca">www.trakkers.ca</a>
West Hill Baseball	<a href="http://www.westhillbaseball.com">www.westhillbaseball.com</a>
West Rouge Soccer Club	<a href="http://www.wrsc.ca">www.wrsc.ca</a>
West Toronto Lawn Bowling Club	<a href="http://www.torontolawnbowling.ca">www.torontolawnbowling.ca</a>
Wexford Soccer Club	Cathy Reilly, 416-265-7699
York Baseball Association	<a href="http://www.yba.ca">www.yba.ca</a>
York Jets Soccer Club Inc.	Angelo Benaglia, 416-652-6904

## Farmers' Markets

All the markets feature fresh Ontario grown fruits and vegetables. Some markets have meat, dairy and baked products available.

Visit us at:

#### City Hall & Civic Centre locations:

- East York Civic Centre**  
850 Coxwell Ave – Tue, 8AM-2PM (May-Nov)
- Etobicoke Civic Centre**,  
399 The West Mall – Sat, 8AM-2PM (Jun-Nov)
- North York Civic Centre-Mel Lastman Square**  
5100 Yonge St – Thu, 8AM-2PM (Jun-Oct)
- Metro Hall Square**  
55 John St – Thu, 8AM-2:30PM (May-Oct)
- Toronto City Hall-Nathan Phillip Square**  
100 Queen St, W – Wed, 10AM-2:30PM (Jun-Oct)

#### Local neighbourhood locations:

- Birchcliff Village**  
1512 Kingston Rd – Fri, 2PM-7PM (Jun-Oct)
- Weston Village**  
John St & Weston Rd – Sat, 7AM-2PM (May-Oct)

For more information on Farmers' Markets visit, [tfmn.ca](http://tfmn.ca)



## Online WASTE WIZARD has the answers!



We all want to recycle all we can, but many plastics and metals can't go in recycling. The wrong items can contaminate the recycling stream, damage equipment and cause workplace injuries.

Use **WASTE WIZARD** at [toronto.ca/recycle](http://toronto.ca/recycle) to learn how to properly recycle and dispose of waste items. This online search tool currently lists over 1,500 items with proper disposal instructions.

**If you don't recycle properly, we can't either.**



Call **311**



**It's dangerous to put empty propane tanks in recycling or garbage.**

Please take all propane and helium tanks to the City's Drop-off Depots or to a Community Environment Day. For details, visit [toronto.ca/recycle](http://toronto.ca/recycle), call 311 or check your collection calendar.



## Put waste in its place

**You are doing a great job at home; remember to follow the same practices when you are out and about.**

### Keep our parks clean

We are replacing most collection bins in City parks with larger bins, similar to the type you have at home. Please use the right bin for recycling. Put items in loose with residue, such as food, removed.

It is illegal to leave empty propane tanks in a park. Fines apply. These must be taken to a Drop-off Depot or Community Environment Day.

It is illegal to dump household garbage in City bins. Fines apply.



### Special events

Events may have separate bins for recycling, organics and garbage. Please make the effort to sort your waste into the proper containers.



### On the street reminders

#### What's recycling

- Aluminum cans
- Foam cups and food containers
- Glass bottles (tops removed)
- Plastic bottles and tops

#### What's garbage

- Black and clear plastic takeout containers
- Plastic cutlery
- Clear plastic drinking glasses
- Paper coffee cups, lids and sleeves
- Straws



**If you see a "litter hot spot" such as illegally dumped garbage, overflowing bins or an unusually dirty public space:**

Online Self-service Request:  
[toronto.ca/311](http://toronto.ca/311)  
Call: 311

#### FRANCAIS:

Nous sommes en train d'améliorer la cueillette des déchets dans les parcs de la ville grâce à des bacs plus grands mais similaires à ceux que vous avez à la maison. Servez-vous des bacs appropriés pour recycler. Mettez les articles en vrac enlevant les résidus comme la nourriture.

#### CHINESE:

我們正在市內公園改善較大的收集箱，類似於家庭所用者。請使用適當的回收箱進行回收。裝置前先去除物件上的殘餘，例如食物、紙質物料與紙類等。

#### ITALIANO:

Stiamo migliorando la raccolta dei rifiuti nei parchi della City con l'impiego di contenitori più ampi, di tipo simile a quelli che usate a casa vostra. Per il riciclaggio usate il contenitore previsto per questo scopo. Ponetevi gli articoli alla rinfusa, dopo aver rimosso da questi ultimi i residui come il cibo.

#### POLSKI:

Przeprowadzamy w parkach miejskich wymianę pojemników na większe, podobne do tych, których używacie w domu. Prosimy o korzystanie z właściwych pojemników do recyklingu. Wrzucajcie tam przedmioty puste, usuwając resztki ich zawartość (np. żywność).

#### PORTUGUES:

Estamos a procurar melhorar os recipientes para o lixo existentes nos parques municipais, substituindo-os por outros maiores, semelhantes aos que existem nas habitações. Utilize o recipiente correto para reciclar. Introduza os artigos soltos retirando-lhes os resíduos (de alimentos, por exemplo).

#### ESPAÑOL:

Estamos reemplazando los cubos para desechos en los parques de la Ciudad con cubos más grandes, similares al tipo que tiene en su casa. Por favor, use el cubo correcto para el reciclaje. Meta los artículos sueltos, quitándoles los residuos, como la comida, por ejemplo.

# WE WANT IT!



## COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT DAYS

### REUSE, RECYCLE & SAFELY DISPOSE

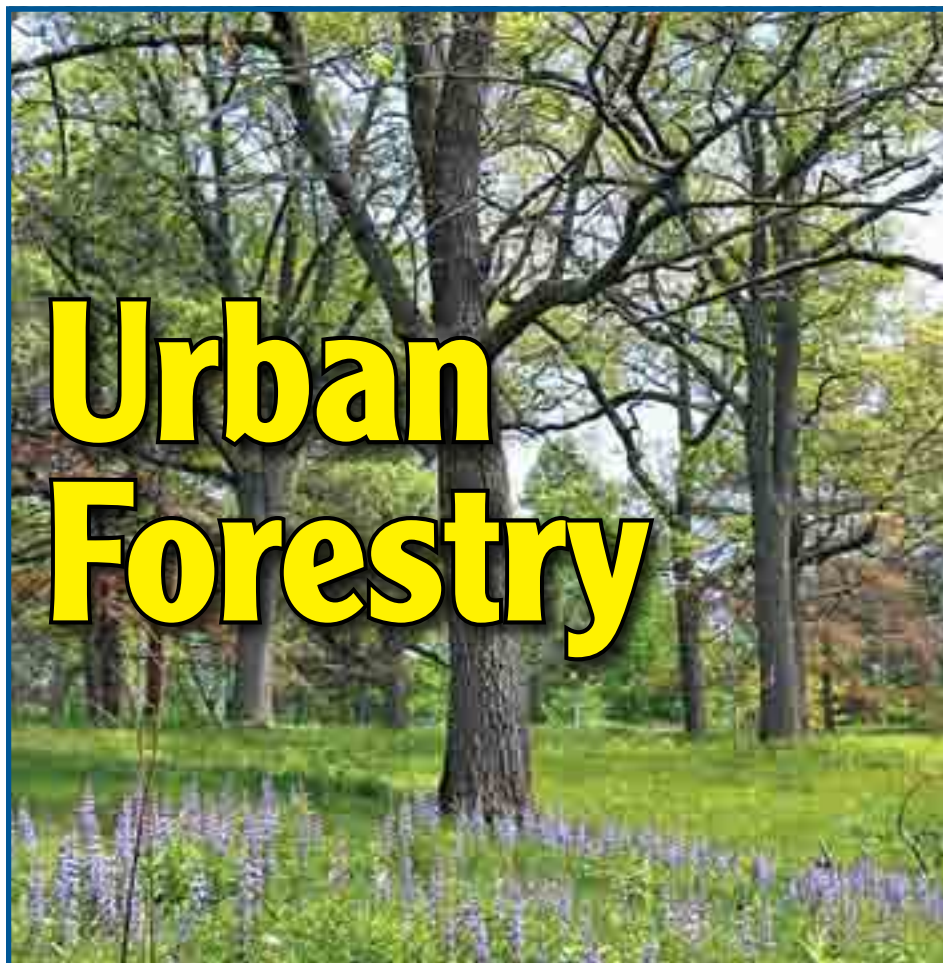
Come out to a Community Environment Day and bring us all your unwanted household items. Drop off your dead batteries, old paint, pesticides, motor oil, electronics, old computer equipment, as well as clothing, art supplies and numerous other items. You can also pick up bins, purchase a backyard composter or even get free compost.

**For a complete list of event dates, locations and eligible items, go to: [toronto.ca/environment\\_days](http://toronto.ca/environment_days)**



Call **311**

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# Urban Forestry

## Toronto's Urban Forest – for now and forever!

Toronto's Urban Forestry Branch manages the urban forest for both today and tomorrow. Our forest management goal is to ensure the continued viability of the urban forest through programs that achieve our objective of a healthy, diverse and sustainable tree canopy. Toronto's urban forest currently covers approximately 20% of the City. An average tree canopy coverage of 35% is an optimum target for an urban forest and so we have many trees to plant and nurture.

By maintaining a healthy, sustainable urban forest ecosystem today, we are protecting and building upon a solid natural foundation that will provide long-term environmental, social and economic benefits to Toronto.



Our urban forest management program is based on three main areas of activity:

- Renewal & Planting – maintenance of canopy coverage and the enhancement and restoration of the urban forest through tree planting programs and policies;
- Maintenance & Management – management of trees for good health and safety and the maintenance of a diverse forest cover to ensure biodiversity, and optimize species composition and ensure there are trees of all ages;
- Planning & Protection – protection of the existing tree population through policies, programs, guidelines, by-laws and long-term planning.

For details on Toronto's Urban Forestry services and programs, visit [toronto.ca/trees](http://toronto.ca/trees)



Call **311**



How far away does an animal have to be before you help?



There are pets right here in your own city who need a home. To adopt one or make a donation call 311 or visit [toronto.ca/animalservices](https://toronto.ca/animalservices)

Call **311**