

From: [Seniors Wish Foundation of Canada](https://seniorswishfoundation.com)
To: [Infrastructure and Environment](#)
Subject: My comments for 2023.IE1.4 on January 30, 2023 Infrastructure and Environment Committee
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To the City Clerk:

Please add my comments to the agenda for the January 30, 2023 Infrastructure and Environment Committee meeting on item 2023.IE1.4, Cycling Network Plan: 2021 ActiveTO Cycling Network Expansion Project Updates

I understand that my comments and the personal information in this email will form part of the public record and that my name will be listed as a correspondent on agendas and minutes of City Council or its committees. Also, I understand that agendas and minutes are posted online and my name may be indexed by search engines like Google.

Comments:

Dear Mr. Elvidge,

The Mayor's office suggested that I share my comments here.

I am writing from the Seniors' Wish Foundation of Canada.

Our goal is to reduce the invisibility of Seniors - advocate for them - and we are doing so here on their behalf.

Seniors tend to require emergency services more often.

The recently installed concrete bike curbs have reduced response time for ambulances and fire trucks.

Cars backed up in both lanes cannot pull over to make way for emergency vehicles. I have seen an ambulance that was unable to move in traffic where curbs were present and it troubled me greatly.

The result can be of harm as these vehicles cannot proceed to a hospital or to a person in need.

While these curbs are seen throughout the City of Toronto, Yonge Street in this study area is just one where curbs exist.

This is not about being late for an appointment.

These barriers that impede traffic flow can make a difference to a person's well-being in emergencies where seconds/minutes matter.

Kindly take this concern seriously.

Regards,

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