

The City of Toronto invites you to...

EMBRACE RUNNYMEDE

Background

731 Runnymede Road (near St. Clair Avenue West) has been leased by the City of Toronto for use as a men's shelter. Currently under construction, it is expected to open in fall 2018 and is part of a City-wide plan to open smaller-scale shelters with local services.

The Runnymede shelter (final name to be determined) is designed for 50 beds with the capacity to increase the number of beds as needed. On-site services include housing help, health and addictions supports, and income and employment programming. The building will house a community meeting room and provide permit-based access to other spaces, including the dining room, teaching kitchen and boardroom.

Community engagement is an important part of the Runnymede shelter and we hope that local residents, businesses and community organizations will join us in making it a success!

[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/RUNNYMEDESHELTER](https://tinyurl.com/runnymedeshelter)

What is EMBRACE?

EMBRACE is a community-led committee of local residents and organizations supporting the Runnymede shelter. It is expected to meet six to eight times a year to plan various activities.

City of Toronto staff will manage the shelter's day-to-day operations while special events, sports and cultural activities will be planned by EMBRACE volunteers. There will be opportunities for on-site events like community dinners, barbeques, gardening, movie nights and more.

Get involved by contacting EMBRACE.Runnymede@gmail.com