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# Davisville Community and Aquatic Centre Online Survey 1 Feedback Summary

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## Project Background

The City is planning to build a new aquatic and multi-use community centre on the Davisville Junior Public School site, located east of the intersection of Yonge Street and Davisville Avenue. The facility will include two indoor swimming pools and several multi-purpose rooms to serve various community needs.

The Davisville Community & Aquatic Centre (CAC) will be a welcoming space where residents of all ages and abilities can come together and participate in a wide range of programming.

The new three-storey Davisville CAC will be accessible, and target net-zero energy building design. It is planned to include:

- A 25-metre lane pool
- A leisure/tot pool
- Two floors of community, multi-use space
- A small lobby
- WIFI access throughout
- Gender-neutral washrooms and change rooms
- A green roof or rooftop community access – to be determined
- Storage and staff office space

The Davisville CAC will share facilities with the Davisville Junior Public School next door (currently under construction). The City will have access to the school's double gymnasium and underground parking garage when the Community and Aquatic Centre is open to support City recreation programming.

## Survey Overview

An online survey was hosted from March 18 to April 5, 2021. The survey asked for feedback on the type of programming and features community members would like in the Davisville CAC's community multi-purpose rooms, lane pool, leisure/tot pool, rooftop and lobby, and for feedback on proposed design principles.

The survey received a total of **989** responses. This included feedback from 1,598 participants of various ages.

The survey feedback collected will be used to develop a draft design for the new Community and Aquatic Centre, which will be presented to the community for additional feedback.

## Notification

The online survey was promoted through the following channels:

- Facebook and Instagram advertisements targeting area residents
- Postcards to residences within an approximate 1.5 km radius of the site
- Promotions through the local Councillor's Office
- Project webpage: [www.toronto.ca/DavisvilleCAC](http://www.toronto.ca/DavisvilleCAC)
- On-site signage
- Email outreach to local schools

# Key Feedback Highlights

## Design Principles

The following four draft design principles were presented to the community for feedback:

- Design Principle 1: Create an iconic and highly visible community centre
- Design Principle 2: Prioritize accessibility and ease of facility access
- Design Principle 3: Integrate sustainable low emissions design
- Design Principle 4: Address inclusive, multi-generational needs in a flexible layout

In total, 88% of survey respondents like the 4 design principles as is.

## Multi-Purpose Rooms

Multi-purpose rooms will not be dedicated to any one purpose. Instead they will be flexible, transformable spaces that can serve a variety of purposes and users throughout the day. The top 10 most popular programming or activities for multi-purpose rooms include:

1. Yoga/Meditation (66%)
2. Pop-up clinics (e.g. mobile flu shot or blood drives) (60%)
3. Aerobic/Pilates classes (55%)
4. Low impact/ stretching (50%)
5. Art (e.g. painting, drawing) (49%)
6. Fitness/dance studio (49%)
7. Dance (46%)
8. Cooking Programs (45%)
9. Senior programs (42%)
10. Youth programs (37%)

## Pools

**Deep-End Climbing Wall:** Due to space constraints, a slide cannot be incorporated into the pool. Respondents were asked if they would be interested in a deep-end climbing wall along the side of the lane pool (for use at separate times from lane swimming). In total, 41% of respondents would like a deep-end climbing wall, 20% are unsure, and 39% would not like one.

**Lane Pool Programming/Activities:** The top 10 most popular programming or activities for the lane pool include:

1. Leisure swim (71%)
2. Lane swim (64%)
3. Aquafit (51%)
4. Swimming lessons (50%)
5. Women's only swim time (39%)
6. Water aerobics (39%)
7. Recreational family swim time (37%)
8. Seniors only time (e.g. a therapy-style time, where the pool will be heated to a warmer temperature) (32%)
9. Parent/Tot Aquafitness (21%)
10. All-inclusive swims (18%)

**Leisure/tot pool:** The top 5 most popular features for the leisure/tot pool include:

1. Special tot area (e.g. with shallower water) (67%)
2. Water jets/ sprayers (42%)
3. Water Mushroom (42%)
4. Spray toy structure (34%)
5. Water Bucket (18%)

The top 5 most popular programing or activities for the leisure/tot pool include:

1. Age-based leisure swim times (e.g. Seniors times or tot times) (47%)
2. Toddler and caregiver swim lessons (46%)
3. Kids programming (40%)
4. Seniors programming (34%)
5. Community permitting (birthdays, special events) (24%)

## Rooftop

There will be limited rooftop space available for community uses. Respondents ranked potential rooftop uses as follows:

1. Walking track with stations (e.g. free weights, ropes, circuit training equipment)
2. Gathering spaces that would allow for group activities and events (e.g. yoga, movie nights, BBQs)
3. Seating & tables (e.g. picnic tables, benches, worktables, chess tables etc.)
4. Raised planters (e.g. for gardening programs)
5. Canopy/Gazeebo/Other shade structure

## Lobby

Respondents would like the following lobby features:

1. Bottle filling station/drinking fountain (92%)
2. Community notice board (83%)
3. Space for displaying rotating art exhibits (62%)
4. A mural (43%)
5. Other (11%) (*suggestions listed in the detailed response summary, below*)

# Detailed Response Summary

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Design Principle 4: Address inclusive, multi-generational needs in a flexible layout












- 88% of survey respondents like the 4 design principles as is.
- 12% of respondents provided suggested edits to the design principles:
  - Some respondents (10-25) suggested:
    - Revising Design Principle 1 to remove or de-emphasise the notion of the centre being "iconic", or valuing this principle less than other principles.
    - Including gendered washrooms and change rooms.
    - Including mention of specific amenities or programs that will be offered.
    - Rearranging the order of the principles.
      - *Note: The principles are not in any order of importance.*
  - A few respondents (3-4) suggested:
    - Not building the facility.
    - Revising design principle 1 to have the design blend in with the existing community character.
    - Including a focus on function over form.
    - Including high-performance facilities.
    - Including greenspace, plants or gardens.
    - Emphasizing or expanding on Design Principle 3 to include building with natural materials and climate-conscious design.
    - Including a focus on providing social or gathering spaces.
    - Encouraging active transportation.
    - Including outdoor space as part of the design.
    - Prioritizing accessibility, with specific suggestions for doing so (e.g. accessible workout equipment).
  - A couple of respondents (2) suggested:
    - Relocating the centre either further away from the school, or further east.
    - Ensuring the Centre is safe.
    - Prioritizing value for money.
    - Including adaptable spaces.
    - Adopting clear measures or standards for the principles, such as universal design standards.
  - Additional respondents (1) suggested:
    - Providing outdoor space for pets.
    - Adding a fifth design principle focused on maintenance and high environmentally-friendly cleaning standards.
    - Providing longer explanations for each principle.
    - Making the Centre larger.
    - Adding affordable housing on top of the Centre.

- Ensuring the Centre is beautiful and inviting.
- Commemorating the neighbourhood's history.
- Fostering community well-being and community development.
- Including high quality ventilation.
- Including bright and light designs.
- Including high efficiency crowd-handling (e.g. to reduce wait times for washrooms and showers).
- Including that the Centre act as a community hub.
- Including indoor and outdoor recreation options.
- One respondent felt the centre was already too designed.

## Multi-Purpose Rooms

Multi-purpose rooms will not be dedicated to any one purpose. Instead they will be flexible, transformable spaces that can serve a variety of purposes and users throughout the day. Programing or activity preferences for multi-purpose rooms include:

	Count	% of responses	%
Yoga/Meditation	566		66%
Pop-up clinics (e.g. mobile flu shot or blood drives)	514		60%
Aerobic/Pilates classes	475		55%
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Art (e.g. painting, drawing)	423		49%
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Leadership Courses	216		25%
Tech programs	196		23%
Drama	189		22%
Preschool programs	188		22%
Multi-sensory activities (e.g. mobile activities that can be used for therapy for those with developmental differences)	186		22%
Multi-media program	145		17%
Music Recording program	116		13%
Other, please specify	94		11%

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Other suggestions for multi-purpose space programming and activities include:




- Tai-chi (8)
- Gymnasium activities (e.g. Indoor tennis, basketball, volleyball, soccer) (8)
- All of the listed options (7)
- Meeting spaces (6)
- Language classes (5)
- Gardening programs (5)
- Senior's exercise classes (e.g. seated fitness) (4)
- Ping-Pong or foosball (4)
- Pickleball (4)
- Art programs or installations (4)
- Theatre or stage performances (4)
- Healthcare services (e.g. massage, therapy, support groups, physical therapy, cancer programming) (3)
- Cards (3)
- Concerts (2)
- Life skills classes (e.g. budgeting, taxes, etc.) (2)
- Gymnastics (2)
- Pottery (2)
- Crafting (2)
- One suggestion each for: Woodworking, dementia programming, barre classes, market space, coding classes, ice skating, summer programs for kids, badminton, Indigenous culture or language classes, nutrition classes, barbeques, newcomer training, prenatal or parenting classes, co-working space, first aid training, saunas, rental space, study or tutoring space, local history classes, a weight room, a walking track, adult socials, self-defence classes for women, career events, boxing, aerial or circus classes, book clubs, lectures, 2SLgbtq specific programming, youth triathlon training, accessible workout space, and rock climbing.



- One respondent does not want clinic time included while another does not want food programming included.
- One respondent suggested prioritizing access for marginalized/underprivileged groups.
- Two participants would not like to participate in any multi-purpose room activities.


















## Pools

**Deep-End Climbing Wall:** Due to space constraints, a slide cannot be incorporated into the pool. Respondents were asked if they would be interested in a deep-end climbing wall along the side of the lane pool (for use at separate times from lane swimming). Responses are as follows:

	Count	% of responses	%
Yes	356		41%
Unsure	169		20%
No	337		39%

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**Lane Pool Programming/Activities:** The programming or activities preferred for the lane pool include:








	Count	% of responses	%
Leisure swim	608		71%
Lane swim	554		64%
AquaFit	439		51%
Swimming lessons	434		50%
Women's only swim time	340		39%
Water aerobics	339		39%
Recreational family swim time	317		37%
Seniors only time (e.g. a therapy-style time, where the pool will be heated to a warmer temperature)	277		32%
Parent/Tot Aquafitness	178		21%
All-inclusive swims	152		18%
Community permitting (birthdays, special events)	151		18%
Competitive swimming	143		17%
Aqua sports	132		15%
Sports training	115		13%
Swim teams	113		13%
Leadership courses	109		13%
Other, please specify	45		5%

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Other suggestions for lane pool programming and activities include:

- Inclusive swim programs (e.g. autism programming, accessible programming) (4)
- Water polo (3)
- Artistic swimming (3)
- Physical rehabilitation programs (3)
- School programming (2)
- Lifeguarding classes (2)
- Rope swing (2)
- Masters swimming programs (2)
- One suggestion each for: Teen programming, water volleyball, scuba diving, diving, warm water for all ages, deep water aquafit, hydroids (water bicycles), aqua-jogging, low cost youth programming, prioritizing community over competitive pool use, rental times (e.g. for birthdays), prioritizing senior programming, saunas, 2SLgbtq specific times.
- 4 respondents said this area was not applicable to them or that they would not use this space.

**Leisure/tot pool activities:** The programming or activities preferred for the leisure/tot pool include:

	Count	% of responses	%
Age-based leisure swim times (e.g. Seniors times or tot times)	409		47%
Toddler and caregiver swim lessons	396		46%
Kids programming	345		40%
Seniors programming	297		34%
Community permitting (birthdays, special events)	209		24%
Teen programming	185		21%
Other, please specify	85		10%







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Other suggestions for the leisure/tot pool programming and activities include:

- No rentals, birthday parties, or events (4)
- Open leisure swim times (3)
- Adult programming or adult only times (3)
- Swimming lessons (3)
- Women-only leisure swim or rehab times (3)
- Accessible or inclusive programs (3)
- Aqua therapy/stretching/rehab programs (2)
- Aquafit (2)
- Family times (2)
- One suggestion each for: Separate space for seniors (not included in toddler area), scuba/snorkel classes, pool running, DJ or disco nights, prioritization of programming for low income families, waist deep pool with seating, warm water, and programs for older kids and teens.

- 45 respondents said this area was not applicable to them or that they would not use this space.
- 22 respondents did not like any of the proposed programs or activities for the tot/leisure pool.
- A respondent noted they want to know the proposed pool depth.

**Leisure/tot pool features:** The features preferred for the leisure/tot pool include:

	Count	% of responses	%
Special tot area (e.g. with shallower water)	581		67%
Water jets/ sprayers	361		42%
Water Mushroom	359		42%
Spray toy structure	290		34%
Water Bucket	152		18%
Other, please specify	101		12%







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Other suggestions for the leisure/tot pool features include:

- Not including special features (36)
- A slide (5)
- Waterfall (4)
- Any of the listed features (4)
- Only including the listed features in a portion of the leisure pool (4)
- Beach entrance (3)
- Accessible features (e.g. seating) (3)
- Warm water (3)
- Deeper (but still shallow) water (e.g. for aquafit, potentially with an adjustable bottom) (3)
- An area for older kids to play (2)
- A hot tub (2)
- One suggestion each for: Water guns, basketball nets, an outdoor pool, boat play features (e.g. regent park), a wave pool, a rope swing, reserving a small pool for aquafit, ensuring the pool is useful for physical rehabilitation programs, an aqua treadmill, high quality, value for money features, educational features, and a sauna.
- 22 respondents said this area was not applicable to them or that they would not use this space.

## Rooftop

There will be limited rooftop space available for community uses. Respondents ranked potential rooftop uses as follows:

	% of responses	%
A walking track with stations (e.g. free weights, ropes, circuit training equipment)		27%
Gathering spaces that would allow for group activities and events (e.g. yoga, movie nights, BBQs)		22%
Seating & tables (e.g. picnic tables, benches, worktables, chess tables etc.)		20%
Raised planters (e.g. for gardening programs)		16%
Canopy/Gazebo/Other shade structure		15%
Other, please specify		1%

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Other suggestions for the rooftop include:

- No uses (6)
- Multiple or all of the uses presented (5)
- Meditation space (e.g. zen garden) (4)
- Basketball (4)
- Café(4)
- Lounge chairs or a lounge area (4)
- Reading or study space (3)
- Yoga space (3)
- Green roof (3)
- Green space (3)
- Exercise stations (2)
- Skating/ a skate trail (e.g. converting the track to a skate trail) (2)
- Running track (2)
- Movie nights (2)
- Gardens or trees (2)
- More indoor space, including an indoor track (2)
- Outdoor classrooms (2)
- Chess and checker tables (2)
- One suggestion each for: rental space, a kitchenette, not including free weights (they are easily damaged), hammocks, lawn bowling, corn hole toss, art displays, a star viewing platform, a pollinator garden, a pool, a play area, an area for pets, cycle exercise, a greenhouse, soccer, kites/flags/wind accessories, beehives, hockey, and ping pong.
- 2 respondents are concerned that noise may be generated from rooftop activities and disturb neighbours.
- 10 respondents said this area was not applicable to them or that they would not use this space.

## Lobby

Respondents would like the following lobby features:

What features would you like included in or near the lobby? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Bottle filling station/drinking fountain	794		92%
Community notice board	719		83%
Space for displaying rotating art exhibits	538		62%
A mural	372		43%
Other, please specify	92		11%

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Other suggestions for the lobby include:

- Seating that is comfortable and can be used by those waiting for a pickup (especially wheel trans or the elderly), or to meet others (24)
- A concession stand or café (13)
- Information desk or multi-lingual signage (8)
- Art displays (7)
- Washroom (5)
- Plants or a greenwall (4)
- A land acknowledgement or historic information about the neighbourhood (3)
- A playground, play panel, or play station for kids (3)
- Community resource information (2)
- A handwashing station (2)
- No drinking fountains or filtered/bottled water (2)
- A pro shop (2)
- A greeter (2)
- A pop-up market (2)
- A book exchange library (2)
- One suggestion each for: health education displays, outdoor space, all of the listed options, rammed earth features, offers to local shops and businesses, stroller parking, security cameras, bike parking, a climbing wall, a digital notice board, tables, a charging station, volunteer opportunities, a pool table, access to showers, a suggestion box, music, and always keeping the lobby (with water filling station and community notice board) open 24/7.

## Additional Feedback

Additional feedback provided by survey respondents includes:

### General:

- Many respondents are happy about the project and looking forward to using the new Centre (36)
- Two respondents do not want the facility to be built due to the impact additional noise and traffic will have on nearby residents (1) and because they feel people will not want to use a shared pool facility after COVID/ there are already City pools available for use (1)

### Pool design and programming:

- A larger lane pool (e.g. 50 metres, 8 lanes) with features that facilitate lane swim (pace clocks, ropes, and a suitable depth) (8)
- Pool depth suggestions:
  - Increasing the leisure/tot pool depth to waist height or higher with underwater seating to facilitate senior or inclusive programming (2)
  - A 2.5 m land pool to facilitate artistic swimming and other activities (1)
  - Depth suitable for lane swim (1)
  - Depth suitable for deep water aquafit (1)
  - A 10-11 foot depth to facilitate scuba and snorkel training (1)
- A pool that is appropriate for competitive swimming (3) including long-course (like the Pan Am pool in Scarborough) (1)
- Lane swim for various users (e.g. different speeds and abilities), at various hours (9)
- A wide range of pool hours to maximize use (6).
- Pool rentals available but restricted to low-use hours (2)
- Include a therapeutic pool/Jacuzzi (e.g. the Regent Park Aquatic Centre) (2)
- Provide aquafit classes (2), swimming lessons (2), lifeguard classes (2), and Masters Swimming programs (1)
- Make the pool(s) salt water (2)
- Heat the pools to a warm temperature (2)
- Include a rope swing (1), a diving board (1), and diving blocks (1)
- Provide water wheelchairs (1)
- Provide a pool viewing area and direct access to the pool viewing area without going through change rooms (1)
- Provide straight roof lines to guide backwards swimmers (1)
- Include an outdoor pool (1)
- Include towel service (1)

### Programming:

- Programming to be accessible to low income individuals and families (e.g. low or no cost) and inclusive for people of various abilities and ages (12)
- A focus on seniors programming (e.g. half-day programs for seniors with dementia, a shallow pool with seniors' needs in mind, social programs for seniors that are intergenerational) (7)
- More teen programming, including intergenerational programs and space to socialize (6)
- Include art/music programming (6)
- Providing intergenerational programming and spaces (3)

- Allow access for school programming (2) but do not allow school use to dominate the space (1)
- Provide low or no cost physiotherapy (1)
- Provide health classes (1)
- Provide consistent and predictable scheduling of activities (1)
- Provide online booking and registration options (1)
- Provide preschool special needs programming (1)
- Provide woodworking classes and a tool library (1)
- Provide programs for new mothers (1)
- Provide kids programming (1)
- Include a housing help centre or homelessness hub to provide community space for unhoused neighbours (1)
- Host a donation centre (1)
- Provide movie screenings (1)
- Provide non-registered programming and lounge/social time (1)
- Use the Centre as a polling station (1)
- Provide card programming (e.g. bridge) (1)

#### **Washrooms and change rooms:**

- Include gendered washrooms and change rooms in addition to gender neutral washrooms and change rooms (12)
- Do not include gender neutral washrooms (8)
- Some respondents noted being uncertain about how gender neutral washrooms would function (e.g. concerned they would have to change in front of other people of all genders) (6)
  - *Note: Changing does not occur in a public space (in front of others) in a gender-neutral washroom. There are stalls for individuals and families to use to change. The shared space contains only lockers and hallways, which are areas that are visible to pool staff.*
- Happy or thankful to have gender neutral family change rooms (3)
- Provide lockers (2)
- Provide large changing and washroom stalls (1), many stalls to prevent long lines (1), and ensure stalls are private (1)
- Ensure washrooms are publically accessible (not just for those attending programs) (1)
- Include warm water showers (1)
- Include baby change tables inside and outside of washroom stalls (1)

#### **Accessibility:**

- Ensure the Centre is inclusive and physically accessible with programming for people with a wide range of abilities (e.g. provide water wheelchairs, allow younger people with different abilities to attend seniors programs that fit their abilities, wheelchair accessible exercise equipment, preschool special needs programs, adult sized change tables, roll in shower with commode, Hoyer lift) (12)
- Provide accessible and affordable parking (5)

#### **Overall design and maintenance:**

- Include art displays (6)
- Lots of natural light (4)

- Space for gathering and community group meetings (4)
- Including a gym in the building (4)
- Create spaces that encourage socialization to decrease isolation (3)
- Provide market space (e.g. for local businesses or farmers markets) (3)
- Include a dedicated art room with storage (1)
- Include bike parking (3), bike lockers (1), and a bike repair station (1)
- Ensure safety by preventing people from entering the school through the community centre, adequate staffing, cameras, and locker theft prevention (3)
- Ensure high standards for cleanliness and ventilation (3)
- Include a book exchange space (1) or library (2)
- Include activity space for ping pong tables (2), a pool table (1)
- Include an outdoor fitness space (e.g. Cedervale Park Calisthenics) (2)
- Include recreation space for basketball hoops (indoors or outdoors) (2), volleyball (2), free weights or a weight room (2), pickleball (2), an indoor track (1), racket ball (1), indoor tennis (1), cricket (1), squash (1), and badminton (1)
  - One respondent would not like any gym or fitness space (1)
- Include nature and greenery indoors (2)
- Provide free WIFI (2)
- Consider capacity limits or solutions to address or prevent overcrowding (3)
- Include stroller parking (1)
- Provide a subsidized food court (1)
- Include noise dampening features (1)
- Include a community kitchen (1)
- Make spaces colourful (1)
- Include theatre or performance space (1)
- Provide a sheltered entrance with overhangs and seating walls, along with intensive landscaping (1)
- Include an indoor playground (1)
- Prioritize function over form (1)
- Include a café (1)
- Include a steam room (1) or sauna (1)
- Ensure all materials are durable (1)

#### **Roof:**

- Include a green roof, rooftop garden (e.g. community garden), or solar panels (3)
- Ensure the roof is an active space (2)
- Consider potential noise impacts from rooftop activities on neighbours (4)

#### **Building:**

- Build the new Centre faster (4)
- Partner with nearby developers to increase the size and features of this centre (1)

#### **Atmosphere:**

- Create a community building atmosphere through design and programming (3)



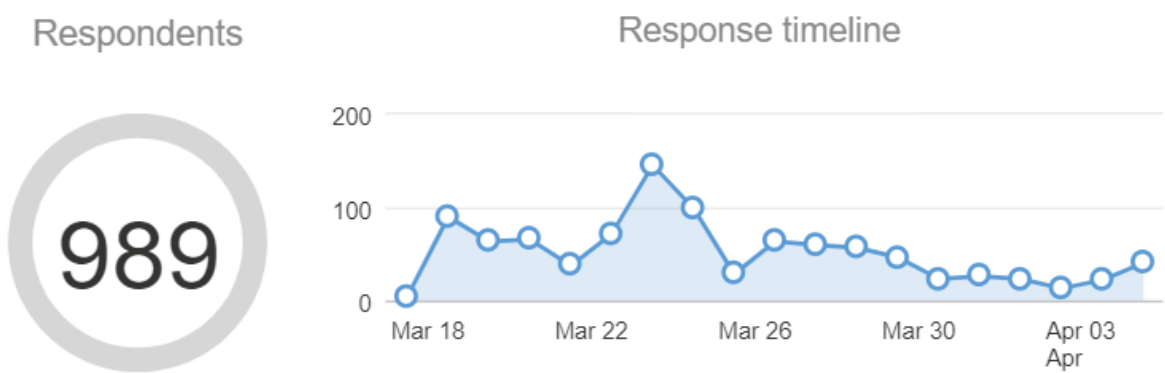
**Other:**

- One respondent received the public meeting and online survey a day after the public meeting (1)
- Provide more information on how space will be shared with the neighbouring school (1)
- Name the Centre the "Davisville Park Community Centre" (1)
- Ensure staff are a diverse range of ages (1)
- Do not play music over the speaker system (1)

**Out of scope (these suggestions are not in-scope for this project):**

- Provide bike lanes around the new Centre (1)
- Reopen the outdoor pool at Eglinton Community Centre (1)

# Appendix A: Quantitative Response Summary




























Do you like these four design principles, or do you have any suggested changes/ additions?

	Count	% of responses	%
I like the four design principles.	868	<div></div>	88%
I have suggested changes/additions to the design principles:	121	<div></div>	12%




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Multi-purpose rooms will not be dedicated to any one of the purposes listed below. Instead they will be flexible, transformable spaces that can serve a variety of purposes and users throughout the day. In the multi-purpose rooms, what programming or activities would you like to participate in? Select all that apply.

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Other, please specify	94		11%


















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Due to space constraints, a slide cannot be incorporated into the pool. Would you be interested in a deep-end climbing wall along the side of the lane pool (for use at separate times from lane swimming?)

	Count	% of responses	%
Yes	356		41%
Unsure	169		20%
No	337		39%







N 862

In the lane pool, what programming or activities would you like to participate in? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Leisure swim	608		71%
Lane swim	554		64%
AquaFit	439		51%
Swimming lessons	434		50%
Women's only swim time	340		39%
Water aerobics	339		39%
Recreational family swim time	317		37%
Seniors only time (e.g. a therapy-style time, where the pool will be heated to a warmer temperature)	277		32%
Parent/Tot Aquafitness	178		21%
All-inclusive swims	152		18%
Community permitting (birthdays, special events)	151		18%
Competitive swimming	143		17%
Aqua sports	132		15%
Sports training	115		13%
Swim teams	113		13%
Leadership courses	109		13%
Other, please specify	45		5%








N 862

What features would you like included in the tot/leisure pool? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Special tot area (e.g. with shallower water)	581		67%
Water jets/ sprayers	361		42%
Water Mushroom	359		42%
Spray toy structure	290		34%
Water Bucket	152		18%
Other, please specify	101		12%







N 862

In the tot/leisure pool, what programming or activities would you like to participate in? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Age-based leisure swim times (e.g. Seniors times or tot times)	409		47%
Toddler and caregiver swim lessons	396		46%
Kids programming	345		40%
Seniors programming	297		34%
Community permitting (birthdays, special events)	209		24%
Teen programming	185		21%
Other, please specify	85		10%






N 862

There will be limited rooftop space available for community uses. Please rank the following rooftop use options, with 1 as your favourite. Leave the options you dislike blank.

	% of responses	%
A walking track with stations (e.g. free weights, ropes, circuit training equipment)		27%
Gathering spaces that would allow for group activities and events (e.g. yoga, movie nights, BBQs)		22%
Seating & tables (e.g. picnic tables, benches, worktables, chess tables etc.)		20%
Raised planters (e.g. for gardening programs)		16%
Canopy/Gazebo/Other shade structure		15%
Other, please specify		1%

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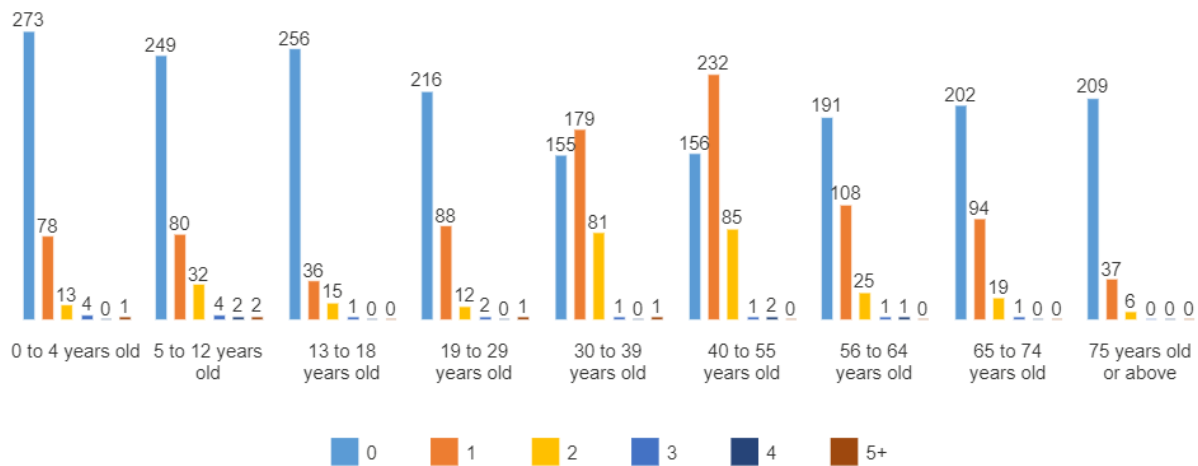
What features would you like included in or near the lobby? Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Bottle filling station/drinking fountain	794		92%
Community notice board	719		83%
Space for displaying rotating art exhibits	538		62%
A mural	372		43%
Other, please specify	92		11%

N 862

## Demographics

How many people of each age group participated in this survey?










N 848

Total responses per age group include:









- 121 respondents age 0 to 4 years old
- 174 respondents age 5 to 12 years old
- 69 respondents age 13 to 18 years old
- 123 respondents age 19 to 29 years old
- 349 respondents age 30 to 39 years old
- 413 respondents age 40 to 55 years old
- 165 respondents age 56 to 64 years old
- 135 respondents age 65 to 74 years old
- 49 respondents age 75 years old or above

Gender identity is the gender that people identify with or how they perceive themselves, which may be different from their birth-assigned sex. Gender identity is linked to a sense of self, the sense of being a woman, man, both, neither or anywhere along the gender spectrum (non-binary). Please select the gender identities that people who completed this survey identify with. Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Female	700		83%
Male	354		42%
Prefer not to answer	25		3%
Gender fluid, genderqueer, gender non-conforming, non-binary, trans	12		1%
Trans male	4		0%
Not listed, please describe	3		0%
Trans female	2		0%

N 847











Sexual orientation describes a person's emotional, physical, romantic, sexual and/or spiritual attraction, desire or affection towards other people. Please select the sexual orientations that people who completed this survey identify with. Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
Heterosexual or straight	689		82%
Prefer not to answer	69		8%
Bisexual	38		5%
Gay	35		4%
Queer	21		2%
Lesbian	18		2%
Unsure	11		1%
Not listed, please describe	9		1%

N 843
















Please select the racial backgrounds that people who completed this survey identify with. Select all that apply.

	Count	% of responses	%
White (European descent)	606		72%
I don't know/prefer not to answer	70		8%
East Asian (Chinese, Korean, Japanese)	65		8%
Latino (Latin American, Hispanic descent)	57		7%
South Asian or Indo-Caribbean (e.g. Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan, Indo-Guyanese, Indo-Trinidadian, etc.)	49		6%
Other, please describe	28		3%
Black (African, Afro-Caribbean, African-Canadian descent)	24		3%
Southeast Asian (Taiwanese descent; Filipino, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Thai, Indonesian)	23		3%
Middle Eastern (Arab, Persian, West Asian descent, e.g. Afghan, Egyptian, Iranian, Lebanese, Turkish, Kurdish, etc.)	19		2%
Indigenous (First Nations, Métis, Inuk/Inuit)	11		1%

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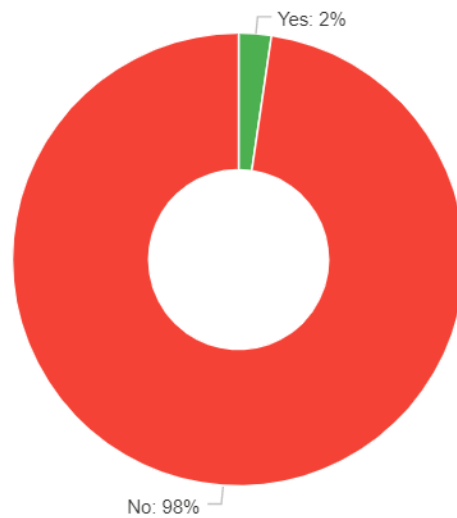
What language do you speak most often at home?

	Count	% of responses	%
English	753		90%
Spanish	20		2%
Portuguese	17		2%
French	7		1%
Russian	6		1%
Tamil	5		1%
Not listed, please specify	5		1%
Hindi	3		0%
Serbian	3		0%
Chinese - Cantonese	2		0%
Korean	2		0%
Turkish	2		0%
Arabic	1		0%

ASL	1		0%
Chinese - Mandarin	1		0%
Farsi	1		0%
Greek	1		0%
Italian	1		0%
Polish	1		0%
Romanian	1		0%

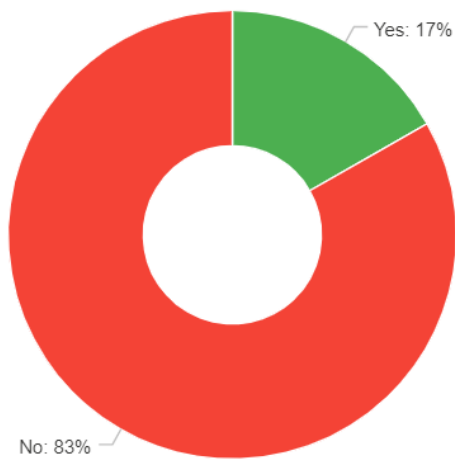
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Indigenous people residing in Canada are those who self-identify as First Nations (status, non-status, treaty or non-treaty), Inuit, Métis, Aboriginal, Native or Indian. Does anyone participating in this survey identify as Indigenous to Canada?



N 818

Disabilities, both visible and invisible, include physical, hearing, seeing, developmental, learning or mental health conditions, chronic illness and addictions. Disabilities may be from birth, caused by injury or accident, developed over time, or result from the combination of a person's condition and barriers in society. Does anyone participating in this survey identify as a person with a disability?



N 824

Do survey participants rent or own their home?

	Count	% of responses	%
Owner	472	<div></div>	56%
Renter	365	<div></div>	44%
Neither owner nor renter	11	<div></div>	1%

N 838

## Appendix B: Project Overview and Pool Features

### Overview

The new three-storey Davisville CAC will be accessible, and target net-zero energy building design. It is planned to include:

- A 25-metre lane pool
- A leisure/tot pool
- Two floors of community, multi-use space
- A small lobby
- WIFI access throughout
- Gender-neutral washrooms and change rooms
- A green roof or rooftop community access – to be determined
- Storage and staff office space

The Davisville CAC will share facilities with the Davisville Junior Public School next door (currently under construction). The City will have access to the school's double gymnasium and underground parking garage when the Community and Aquatic Centre is open to support City recreation programming.



### Design Principles

There are three design principles that will guide the development of the Davisville CAC at a high level:

- Design Principle 1: Create an iconic and highly visible community centre
- Design Principle 2: Prioritize accessibility and ease of facility access
- Design Principle 3: Integrate sustainable low emissions design
- Design Principle 4: Address inclusive, multi-generational needs in a flexible layout

### Pool Features

The Davisville CAC will include:

- A lane pool with a minimum of 6, 25-metre lanes, diving blocks, distance markers, and an accessible entry
- A tot/leisure pool with a shallow, stepped entry and an accessible ramp entry
- Gender-neutral change rooms and washrooms that can become gender-specific if required for programming (e.g. for women-only swim times)

Due to space constraints, a slide cannot be incorporated into the pool. The survey asked participants if they would be interested in a deep-end climbing wall along the side of the lane pool.



The following features were proposed in the survey for the tot/leisure pool.

Special tot area (e.g. with shallower water)



Water jets/ sprayers



Water Mushroom



Spray toy structure



Water Bucket



## Appendix C: Text Responses

Do you like these four design principles, or do you have any suggested changes/additions?

**Respondents who selected "I have suggested changes/additions to the design principles." (121 responses)**

- There is going to be a MASSIVE condo development next door, perhaps work with them to add options to your design.
- Sorry, why would we waste money on 'iconic' and 'highly visible'? PLEASE lets prioritize function!!!
- Creating an iconic and highly visible community centre makes me nervous... A timeless building with eco-focused construction would be my vote
- You should also add rooftop garden, or community garden with some small plots for growing plants, veggies, fruits...
- Given the large number of seniors ranging from ages 60-70 I would like to see programs that include them.
- What does highly visible mean? I don't think the building needs to be highly visible. The community will know where it is
- Heated pool 'hot tub' would be great for seniors
- Modify space to create a 50m lap pool - grow Olympic talent!
- Form and function on the inside are more important than iconic and highly visible.
- Not sure if they're listed in order of priority or if all are equivalent. I would prioritize the exact reverse, in order: 4, 3, 2, 1
- #1 is not nearly as important as the other 3
- More design principles should be implemented: 1) support active transportation, public transportation and daily physical activity for all. 2) Act as a community hub. 3) support indoor and outdoor recreational activities 4) support universal design principles
- Change the order - inclusive, sustainable and universally accessible - design last
- Multi generational needs? Will this have an indoor walking track for seniors. Flexible layout? Designed high above and around the pool? What other community services will it offer? Table tennis? Badminton? Basketball?
- Principle 1 should change to #4 or be removed. A focus on making the space iconic isn't necessary. 'Highly visible' can be achieved by using an existing, working design (look to Scandinavia) and using materials and colour. 'Iconic' is a want of the creators, not the users.
- U need gender neutral and men's/women's change room
- Doesn't matter what the building looks like Vs space design and usability
- I don't understand why it needs to be 'iconic' in the design
- Good ideas. Because there's a housing crisis and limited land, we should build affordable rental units above the community & aquatic centre.
- Create a beautiful vibrant structure that is inviting inside and out
- Provide the community with quality facilities suitable for recreational AND competitive, high performance activities. (swimming, waterpolo, diving, artistic swimming)
- Design Principle 3: Integrate sustainable low emissions design and build with a palette of natural materials
- Gender neutral changerooms create barriers for women unless they are completely private.
- This building is practically finished so what changes could actually be made based on this survey? This survey looks to be a rubber stamp of what's already been done,



- Change 'gender-neutral' washrooms and (especially) change-rooms concept to male-female private quarters.
- Include charging for electric vehicles (as part of Design Principle 3).
- Include design measures that better articulate the principles (ie Universal design certification, Leeds status etc).
- Design Principle 1: Create a centre that blends into the historic architecture of its neighbourhood
- Gender neutral change rooms - no thank you. You can have a family change room but women should have a safe space to get changed without men present. Inclusiveness is one thing, but it had to be respectful too.
- I am not sure about the centre being 'highly visible'. It sounds like it may be jarring with the surrounding area.
- Address the identified community needs should be the first design principle
- Possible outdoor space to gather before or after pool activities
- I use an electric wheelchair so I am glad to see accessibility is a priority. Knowing accessibility can mean many different things I am really hoping that not only is the facility wheelchair accessible, but the workout equipment is as well. For, example a moto-med which someone using a wheelchair can use to get a cardio workout. 2) A sit down elliptical machine where seats can be removed to enable it to be used by someone using a wheelchair 3) A press machine from a seated position that has swing-away seat.
- Diving is an olympic sport...and it would be fantastic to foster the sport by also getting a deep-dive-pool in, if possible
- If the design principles are prioritized, #4 about addressing needs should be #1, and that should address the other principles in the process.
- I am not comfortable with gender neutral change rooms
- I like these principles and would add - add 'best in class' ventilation systems for safe environment and design interior for brightness and light.
- This building is totally unnecessary at a time when all levels of government are experiencing huge deficits. Also the time to build this facility was in conjunction with the school so that the neighborhood would be subjected to just **3 years of construction hell and harassment from the builders instead of 6 years of hell.**
- Define 'community' better and what is meant by 'iconic' especially around serving the Yonge/Eglinton population boom that will overwhelm this small community centre.
- I like all of these principles, but, in design it is necessary that the neighbourhood's character is maintained!
- Why is gender neutral bathrooms and change rooms being identified as priority and how is this being determined by ratio?
- I do not feel safe with Gender Neutral only washrooms. Is it possible to have 4 categories - Male, Female, Family, Gender Neutral? I was very excited about using this facility and am a senior, but am most uncomfortable changing in a common area with men. .
- Provide an opportunity for the community to come together. We have learned through the pandemic the challenges with isolation and lack of socialization - particularly for seniors.
- I agree with point 4 but I don't like the gender neutral washrooms
- A design that fits the fabric of the neighbourhood rather than iconic and highly visible would be preferred.
- I'm not sure creating an "icon" centre should be your #1 principle. There must be more important things... inclusivity, community, etc.
- It should be clearly stated that these are in no order of priority but all four will be fully embraced in the design of the space.



- The usefulness of the community centre is more important than it having an 'iconic' appearance
- The order of these principles should be 2, 4, 3, 1
- Create a space adaptable to changing demographics. Can it function as a school space if needed?
- Design 1 not important as functionality and community fit.
- Be sensitive to the cultures and practices of new Canadians and indigenous peoples that are part of the community
- Move east of Mt. Pleasant
- Would be great to have a gym space for basketball or programming
- Principles 2-4 are the most important to me.
- Principle 4 should be 1 and 1 should be 4 (the least important)
- There should be gendered bathrooms and change rooms
- NEED FURTHER EXPLANATIONS OF DESIGN PRINCIPLES
- gym with weights or machines
- Design Principle 5: Prioritize maintenance of high environmentally-friendly cleaning standards
- Enable community development and foster community wellbeing
- The rooftop should DEFINITELY have community access and be similar to the recreational spaces that some condos have on their rooftops. Why is this so important? Because many of the highrises in Davisville Village lack this sort of amenity and park space is also limited in view of midtown's skyrocketing population. The City is not keeping up with recreational space and every opportunity to augment it should be taken — including the rooftop for the aquatic centre.
- Circus arts/ Aerial rigs
- define gender neutral change rooms and washroom/restrooms-what does this exactly entail
- Do not go too high end overboard
- A core design principle should be value for money as well.
- include warm temperature pool for senior classes with arthrities
- Please do not have gender neutral washrooms. This is designing around the 0.5% of the populations and making the vast majority of people, from young adolescents ( boys and girls) feel uncomfortable. Having an option for those that don't identify can be accommodated but not at the expense of the rest of the population.
- Integrate sustainable social design like fewer car parking and more bike parking. Spaces to socialize outdoors and encourage people to walk over. Strategically place garbage/composting disposal
- There should NOT be GENDER-NEUTRAL WASHROOM AND CHANGE ROOMS!!! Change rooms of all the stupid things!!!
- Create a safe and accessible outdoor space for the community and their pets to exercise and play
- Hot tub
- Against 'gender-neutral' washrooms and change rooms, just family rooms as usual
- SAFETY First....which means separate men's and women's change rooms and washrooms not one big unisex one with one washroom for gender neutral only and one separate for families.
- Also include facilities for commercial food outlets or events which can be rented out
- Universal change room is a bust, I have used the Regent Park Site and the shower area is disgusting with all genders exposing their privates, most uncomfortable
- Tell me why it is necessary to have gender neutral change rooms and showers. Totally unacceptable!!!!!! Who came up with this idea

- The principle of safety and security both indoors and the surrounding space. Developed in cooperation with Toronto Police Department
- Saunas
- Female only changerooms (includes trans women)
- I agree with all four design principles, but I want to further encourage the importance of the third design principal, integrating sustainable low emissions design.
- If the order of the design principles is to be addressed in priority sequence where Design Principle 1 is most important and Design Principle 4 is least important, I would suggest editing the order. Design Principle 3 should be first followed by Design Principles 2, 4, and 1 in that order.
- Commemorate the neighbourhood's history, including buildings and people.
- don't like any of them
- Dog pool
- Don't need this, don't build this
- re#1, I want a functional, multi-generational centre... looks don't matter, spend the \$ on useable features
- I would add to 'flexible' layout - to include efficiency in handling volume. ie. not having to wait extended periods bathrooms, showers, change rooms etc...
- Prioritize zero carbon transportation trips for facility users (walking, scooter, bike etc.)
- How about cancel it. Soooo tired of all the construction and to think it's going to drag on for another 3 or more years! Gah!!!
- Washrooms and change rooms should be gender specific - so families can use pool at the same time.
- Don't forget to include washrooms exclusive for men and women (the majority)
- Make sure this is safe baby/toddler/kid friendly. No easy access to swimming areas and etc.. a lot more creep have been circling davisville area now!
- If iconic means more expensive then NO
- Save money on Principle 1 and focus on getting more to the community
- The pool should be a long course [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olympic-size\\_swimming\\_pool](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Olympic-size_swimming_pool) which should have a useful life of fifty years. This will fit on the site and will permit the site to host competitions. A moveable bulkhead permits its division into two 25-meter pools, doubling capacity. The water should use magnesium chemistry, which prevents rashes and is not costly. There are many 'Mag Pools' in Australia. Thank you.
- Tennis court / starbucks/working space
- Create functional spaces for the greatest possible utility
- Instead of making something visually iconic, I would say it's better to make something that fits the character of the neighborhood.
- Turf Soccer field roof top
- The first design principle seems the least important. accessibility, emissions and inclusivity should be the focus of this project. I would remove the first principle completely.
- I would like to suggest for different ladies and gentlemen washroom and the one for gender neutral, because if we combine all into one will be **higher risk for rapes, and other sex violences.**
- I would reorder the priorities, placing the numbers above in this order: 2, 4, 3, 1
- I would rank accessibility as #1 in the list rather than #2
- What kind of fitness facilities will there be - Pickleball for seniors????
- Add indoor tennis or other sports facilities
- Make it Green. Plant lots of trees and have some green space
- too close to the school
- I am bit concerned about gender neutral washroom/change room

- Iconic is a strange word for this centre unless you are aiming for a world class, award winning design. What about elegant? I agree it's important not to aim for a poorly designed, low quality space though.
- We need to get make in a better state of fitness after Covid. A design with fitness opportunities would be important
- Adopt state of the art standards for functional design of the pools
- I would change the order and list them like this: 2, 4, 3, and then 1
- A yoga studio, steam room
- Forget gender neutral change rooms, Rather expand male and female which are usually far too small to accommodate safely
- Blend in and harmonize with surrounding homes/buildings/architecture
- Drop #1
- Use budget friendly, cost saving design strategies. Make sure the design works for the climate by reducing impacts to pedestrians and visitors/participants from sun, wind and snow
- Fill indoor space with vegetation and nature throughout the year.
- Iconic is a 'nice to have' in my eyes. The overreach of architectural frills, prioritized over a functional interior and a sound structure was a major failing of the 1960's era Davisville school building. Focus on function and usability first, then make it beautiful, and last consider what could make it 'iconic'. We don't need a steaming pile of architecture here. We need a functional, easy-to-use, attractive community resource for generations to come
- Gender-neutral CHANGE ROOMS? Have you people lost your mom NDA??

Multi-purpose rooms will not be dedicated to any one of the purposes listed below. Instead they will be flexible, transformable spaces that can serve a variety of purposes and users throughout the day. In the multi-purpose rooms, what programming or activities would you like to participate in? Select all that apply.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify." (94 responses)**

- Art programmes for pre-school children
- Language classes
- I would love to run multiple Girl Guide units (so that all ages have opportunity) in the multipurpose space. There are significant waitlists for this programming in midtown and we are struggling to find affordable space to meet the needs of the community. I am the Guider in charge of growth, planning, and community for Toronto. I would love to connect with you to discuss this further. [I can be reached at acl.18@guidesontario.org](mailto:acl.18@guidesontario.org)
- Art exhibitions, concerts, training for New Comers adult training (eg different languages)
- try to establish community gardens in the outdoor space, something like Wychwood Barns
- Tai chi
- Tai chi classes
- Aquafit
- Therapy or support groups for trauma survivors. Support groups and physical therapy for covid-19 survivors.
- Community room rentals
- Gardening
- Adult socialization hubs/events, music performances
- Walking track
- Weight room
- Ping pong
- All of the above

- History of Toronto classes
- Tai Chi
- Quiet area for 1-on-1 tutoring (math/science/etc).
- gardening, party room rental, craft (knitting/crochet), kitchen
- GYM
- Rental availability for local organizations such as sports leagues
- All if the above however preference for access to these services should be given first to the immediate neighbours
- Sauna
- Would love to be able to teach first aid courses here
- I'm really hoping there will be accessible workout equipment (cardio and strengthening).
- basketball
- Art exhibitions, art installations
- Volleyball
- Tai-chi classes
- none
- Bridge Club
- Volleyball
- Volleyball, Table tennis
- Self defence for women , young adult cancer programming
- Language classes. Like skills classes for youth. Online safety, budgeting,
- Prioritize access to marginalized and underprivileged groups that don't have their own space
- Theatre, exhibits
- Language learning, tax clinics, workshops, kind of like programs library and TDSB supply to the community
- Everything. But food. Smells, mess and allergies.
- As a member of ToroLUG (Toronto Lego Users Group), having a space we can meeting monthly or bi-monthly would be great. We would be happy to have open to the public events where we bring our LEGO creations and provide play opportunities to families. However one issue is loading and unloading. Please ensure there is ample parking and if not, a loading dock to easily bring in our often large (but modular) creations.
- Boxing classes, networking, career events. Some gender specific change rooms are needed if this is to be comfortable multi generational place.
- Soccer
- Adult swimming classes
- Gymnastics
- Is pickleball a possibility at all? Add tai Chi to the yoga group.
- Too many choices! They all sound good. Hope different demographics are served. Will there be badminton/pickleball available in the gym?
- There is a critical shortage of meeting space for non-profit, community-oriented groups based in the midtown. We need SEVERAL meeting rooms because some nonprofits have regular meetings (e.g., on a monthly basis) and ideally they could book a room in advance for a year's worth of meetings. Also, we need a larger space suitable for town halls and other citizen gatherings.
- Pingpong or foosball tables
- Circus aerial space
- All are good hard decisions will have to be made. Preschool programs especially good
- Non-profit groups meeting space - several rooms (so there is no conflict)
- Community garden (veggie or botanical)

- Barre Fitness Classes, and Language Classes. I think you need to think of the Seniors and put them first in planning this space.
- Include community theatre for weekly or monthly plays
- Chair fitness, NIA
- Pickleball
- Gymnastics for kids, Computer and Coding Facilities, Gardening, Ice Skating
- Bridge play social or community bridge club
- All of the above
- tai chi, not sensorial activities bc. involves lots of cleaning and disinfecting!!!!!!!!!!
- Health care services such as massage therapy
- Other art programs like woodworking and pottery
- try to build rooms adaptable to as many uses as possible
- Outdoor green space for outdoor activities/sports and relaxing
- Tai chi, summer programs for school age children.
- co-working space
- If it's really a done deal and getting built I'm open to many of the above. I'm more concerned about traffic EVERY DANG day of the week. The school week is busy enough. Now after school and weekends. Really!
- Basketball
- All of these things sound delightful. Unfortunately, asking in the midst of a pandemic where I've cancelled my gym membership for the foreseeable future, is probably not the best timing for me to consider what activities I plan to do indoors. One that might be fun to include would be a Wall Climbing facility.
- BBQs
- How about adding recitals/performance space in community permits?
- No pop up health clinic, there are many in the area, don't need sick or ill people walking/passing through children
- Nutrition centre!!!!!!
- unlikely to participate
- Many of these appear good ideas
- Book clubs literature talks
- seated exercise for seniors and those with mobility issues
- Play rehearsal stage
- 2SLgbtq specific programming
- Sewing, and crocheting, language courses, flower design, indigenous culture learning incl language, etc.
- specifically Tai Chi please
- Volleyball, basketball
- indoor pickleball courts - up and coming game for seniors and nothing around Davisville
- Indoor tennis
- Duplicate bridge
- Space for volunteer groups with tables and chairs
- Low cost swim and triathlon trying for youth
- Zumba and exercise classes for seniors
- Prenatal and parenting classes.
- pottery
- Small Market for artists and crafters or bakers
- Programming (1/2 day) for seniors with dementia! That is very much needed in this community - both for clients and their caregivers.
- Ping pong?

In the lane pool, what programming or activities would you like to participate in?  
Select all that apply.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify." (45 responses)**

- water volleyball
- Teen water sports/leagues
- These all sound like great programming options. At this time I would only use for lane swimming.
- Warmer temperature time for all ages. Also would like a rope swing into the deep end
- Masters swimming
- Not a swimmer
- Aqua therapy- aqua fit for us with limited mobility/injuries!
- Swimming lessons for kids from Davisville Jr PS
- Artistic Swim Clubs
- Red Cross life saving courses
- Get a Tarzan rope instead of climbing wall. Cheaper and safer.
- swimming birthday party
- Water polo
- I wouldn't use the swimming pool.
- This should be for community use. Organized sports already have access to other fitness facilities and with the projected increase in population in this area, the focus needs to remain on those who actually LIVE in the area.
- Scuba diving courses!
- Sauna adjacent to change rooms/washrooms - a lot of health benefits!
- none
- Synchronized swimming, young adult cancer swim rehab
- Let's make sure mixed abilities programming is a foremost priority.
- Swim time for seniors with mobility issues
- Diving lessons
- Adult swim classes
- Personal support to make accessible swims happen
- Again, they are all good. Hard decisions will have to be made. The Best for the Most is the closest to perfection that we can have
- hydroids
- Opportunity for lane swim for adults who once swam competitively and use the pool as others do the gym. More lane swim hours opportunities to use the pool.
- Heating pool to a higher temperature is critical for seniors, but seniors programming should not presuppose that all seniors are handicapped
- Lifeguard classes
- No competitive swim classes or Master programs as it dominates the pool leaving it unaccessible and too busy for others to enjoy it. The pool in this area will be too busy to book it for birthdays and special events, and that is a major liability. No large groups should be allowed in pools that includes day camps. I think for this space you need to put the Seniors in the area first before others, as NT can take families and will be a bigger space for them.
- Host swim meets
- None apply to me
- Recreational water polo

- Aquafit yes, but specifically deep water aquafit classes
- Masters Swimming affiliation.
- Will it be open to school use / rental ? for those who don't have a pool in their school?
- medical / (handicap) physio lanes for working residents, ie, 5pm weekdays & week-ends access
- Don't like the idea of gender neutral change rooms ever.
- Would absolutely love an all inclusive swim drop in program!!
- Autism/disability Inclusive Swim!
- 2S Trans and gender non conforming hour
- water polo
- Low cost lessons and skill building for youth
- Artistic swimming
- Aqua jogging

What features would you like included in the tot/leisure pool? Select all that apply.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify." (101 responses)**

- Nothing
- N/a
- Don't think a 'tot' area is good use of limited space.
- Toddler slide
- not applicable to my use of the facility (but I like it!)
- not applicable to me
- none
- Thwre needs to be a play pool or area for older kids. If rhey are playing im the main pool there is no room for laps. Ideqlly the pool should have 4 lap lanes at least and then a larger arwa without lanes for play. It is important to have both
- I wouldn't be using it
- n/a
- Small slides (like the ones at Douglas Snow)
- Basketball type hoops or nets for team sports
- Just shallow water. No features.
- None
- I do not have children and would not use the toy pool. But the features all look like fun!
- Beach entry area for tots, which is very helpful for building confidence in water, learning to swim.
- None
- Recommend Owen Sound's YMCA leisure pool. Our kids love. Shallow area w jets and deeper area for bigger kids to jump. Must be kept warm!
- N/A
- N/a
- Water guns (light pressure)
- all? whatever kids like best.
- High pressure Waterfall that feels nice on your back and shoulders
- None
- Just a shallow pool without all the cheap plastic stuff,
- A tot area would be great but not at expense of compromising main pool area. It needs to be a minimum of 8 lanes and 25 m long with deck space to accommodate swim teams and open up possibilities of hosting swim meets.

- There is a major need for more and better facilities that are suitable for competitive swimming, including starting blocks, adequate depth for safe diving, adequate deck space etc. Given the health and safety benefits of this sport for active living and water safely, necessary features should be prioritized over gimmicky features that tend to be breakdown, or age quickly. As has become evident through COVID 19, there is a major need to increase swimming capacity, and a minimum of 8 lanes should be included.
- Lane swimming
- I wouldn't use the swimming pool.
- Whatever you decide please keep an adults only area without lots of splashing encouraged.
- Doesn't apply.
- Hot tub
- n/a, I don't have kids.
- Unsure
- Less stuff is better
- I don't have kids and have no opinion. They all look great!
- none
- None
- none
- These are toys best left for the private sector to provide, not a community centre when any pool for the public is in such short supply.
- none
- Waterfall/waterwall
- Just shallow, no sprays because they obstruct use for lessons
- Accessible swimming options
- Walking path area that has a current great for rehab
- As long as the water is warm
- Design features that are inclusive, for kids of all abilities.
- I think any combination of play features for small children will be great. Indoor space for colder months to complement the splash pad at June Rowlands park.
- None
- Plain pool
- Reserve small pool for aquafit activities. The small pool at the Central YMCA has a pool bottom that can be lowered to accommodate such classes.
- Small portable slide
- If there are sprayers, please make sure there are calm areas.
- I don't have tots. Is this also for adults or not? If adults would use, a waterfall for neck massage
- N/a
- Tarzan rope
- An area away from all the toys for adults to enjoy a leisure swim
- None
- Beach entry
- None of the above
- I am not up on pool 'accessories' so do not know what many of those above are.
- Not interested
- aqua treadmill
- I don't know what some of these are, but warmer water for seniors like me, would be appreciated.
- Any of the above
- water slide - it can go outside the building and come back inside



- I like the idea of a leisure pool but if too shallow then not worth it...growing up I had to learn and take swim lessons in a regular pool not a tot pool...it was done where they inserted blocks into the pool to make it even shallower...perhaps that is the idea of tot swim classes or Mommy and me time.
- None of this is necessary
- Just pool
- wave pool
- Doesn't matter. Would not use this
- None
- Nothing, is a swimming pool not Disneyland!!!!!!!!!! Enjoy the water!!!!!!!!!!
- features that provide good learning & comfort opportunity for tots but not super expensive... Quality is key
- Not sure any of these are really needed. Difficult to swim around structures if learning to swim where more open space is best.
- Other City pool facilities often overprioritize lane swims at the expense of general users and kids.
- Don't care
- I do not have a child
- not too much fussy stuff like above, this is a pool not a party
- They all sound like a lot of fun for the kids :-)
- None
- I'm not opposed to the options above, so long as there's plenty of room for kids who don't want to be sprayed to move around
- one regulation pool where children and adults can develop length and competitive swimming skills for lifetime fitness.
- Indifferent
- none
- no opinion
- Saunas
- slide- perhaps an outside one, like at the pool at the joseph pincinnini pool?
- Regent Park has wonderful boats in their toddler pool area...
- keep it simple - some tots are scared of the spraying water
- I'm assuming the design of the pool(s) has already been completed an outdoor pool would have been nice
- Nothing. Just a simple pool to swim and exercise.
- None
- Accessible access, places to sit for disabled or early swimmers
- none
- Hot tub
- Backstroke 5m flags
- None of the above
- NA
- Beach front entrance for the babies
- waterfall

In the tot/leisure pool, what programming or activities would you like to participate in? Select all that apply.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify." (85 responses)**

- Nothing
- N/a

- Having a 'tot' area is not the best use of limited space available
- This type of programming does not relate to me as a childless 30 year old
- n/a
- not applicable to me
- I wouldn't use the tot pool
- Na
- have aged out but would have done toddler and caregiver, and kids programming 5-10 years ago
- n/a
- Scuba / snorkel courses.
- N/A
- I do not have children and would not use the toy pool. But the features all look like fun!
- I personally do not need all these programming but feel the ones checked are important.
- My kids are older and therefore we will not have much use for this area
- Programs for special needs!!
- N/A
- Consider a waist deep pool with seating in the sides that is kept at a higher temperature similar to the Wave Pool in Richmond Hill.
- Pool running lanes
- Not a waterperson
- N/a
- Not interested
- Swimming lessons
- DJ nights, disco swims
- N/a
- N/A
- N/A not in these demographics, but would support all above.
- None
- N/A
- n/a
- I wouldn't use the swimming pool.
- Age times but not just for seniors and families. There are many diddle aged adults that want to use the facilities without kids running around. This should also respect adults who don't have children.
- n/a
- none
- I wouldn't participant in these activities but all are important
- Nothing
- Accessible swimming
- Women only times, rehab times
- Prioritize programs for low income families!!
- I'm not sure I'd like to participate in any tot activities. My son will be 16 by the time this facility opens.
- N/A
- Programming for older kids - so many places have programming for tots but the tween/teens get forgotten about and are becoming disengaged in communities.
- N/A

- Free swim time in the summer that opens early & closes late (unlike the North Toronto CC's hours which are too limited).
- Aquafit
- not intersted in this
- Accessible swim-wamer water, lower lights, calm sound tracks—for those who need extra support or have issues with over stimulation
- Again, we can't try to be all things to all people.
- Not interested
- None
- N/A
- Aquafit
- You dont say what depth the tot-leisure pool will be, so its hard to suggest programming. I doubt teens would be interested in this pool.
- I wouldn't use this pool but live the idea of all the things you listed being available for my neighbours
- This pool should not be used for birthdays and special events it is a huge liability for the city....no organized groups like city day camps etc. should be allowed in pools. They should not be allowed in the outdoor pool at NT during the summer.
- Women only
- Free swim
- Don't matter. Wouldn't use this
- N/a
- Lane swimming for the general public.
- None
- None apply to me
- N/a
- Not bday events, this is not Chuck e Cheese!!!!!!!!!!!!
- Baby swim lessosn
- not sure why seniors would get lumped with tots... seniors should have use of quality pool for leisure swims
- Unsure
- Anything other than birthdays and special events
- I do not think I would participate in any of these activities.
- N/A
- Women-only leisure swim time
- Indifferent
- none
- Open leisure swim
- Adult programming
- No plans to use it but survey wouldn't let me leave it blank
- Na
- Family times and adult only times
- None
- I will not participate in programming/activities in this space.
- Don't care
- Aqua therapy and streatching
- NA

- Swim lessons
- None

There will be limited rooftop space available for community uses. Please rank the following rooftop use options, with 1 as your favourite. Leave the options you dislike blank.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify."**

- This building is going to be next to a massive new condo development (multiple towers) so any activity that is going to make noise on this rooftop is bound to get complaints from the residents.
- N/a
- Community gardens would be awesome opportunity for so many kids living in high-rises around!
- Movies under the stars
- Free weights etc sounds good- but they almost always go quickly to disrepair. Which is why i didnt select it as 1
- Times dedicated to meditation.
- Bookable space for private gatherings
- Test
- Rooftop pool
- A yoga studio
- Green roof/environmental design
- Trees
- I would like to see an indoor walking track incorporated - with two lanes. It's a place where seniors can go in the summer to walk in air l ditio s and in the winter when the streets are unwalkable. So they can stay fit as well
- Butterfly garden, meditation station
- All of this sounds amazing!
- Maybe bee keeping?
- Hammocks, lawn recreation like lawn bowling, cornhole bag toss for ppl who don't have lawns to enjoy
- Café
- Art gallery / exhibits
- Green roof
- Raised planters for seasonal rental
- N/a
- Cafe
- none
- None
- Lounge area
- A green space for use by many local residents who ate Lodi g green space or outdoor social space where they can sit outside and relax because buildings are being developed everywhere.
- Quiet study space
- Comfortable, shaded seating suitable for chatting and reading outdoors.
- An walking track around the perimeter with other activities inside the track
- Outdoor learning classes

- Don't have an idea
- none
- Running track
- Have you considered the noise level with rooftop use for movie nights -- people live around the neighbourhood and one of the condos has already been told to cut all outdoor music. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW NOISY EVENING ACTIVITY ON THE OPEN ROOF
- Running Track
- Star viewing platform, wall for movie projection,
- meditation sessions
- n/a
- I think many of these could be combined. For example, a covered area would be nice on really hot days. A community garden could be in one section, while picnic tables in another and all around it could be the walking track.
- None
- place for outdoor stationary bikes
- Body weight exercise machines
- Nothing
- Green space (grass + trees) , used as a carbon offset
- Lounge style chairs w/ an umbrella
- NA
- I would prefer a walking track inside that is not 'weather-dependent' for use.
- An eating area - not just picnic tables but also a small food prep area and possibly a microwave.
- Outside rooftop classroom for the school
- Again, we can't be all things to all people. Overall this is a totally great project
- Raised planters with some picnic tables and benches similar to Cooper Koo Family YMCA rooftop.
- CAFE
- at this moment in time it's too loud for anything nice:(
- A multi use rooftop space. During the day, it could be a track for seniors, gazebo and shade structure and area for residents to enjoy. Ample seating and bench structures for everyone to be able to relax. DO not limit the seating space.
- Pet play areas
- n/a
- Yoga / rooftop fitness
- I like the idea of a walking track and it would be 1 if not for the stations....how about a walking track that can be made into a skating track in the winters?
- Read area
- play area
- A place to read, small group activities and would prefer it not be commandeered by one particular group. I like the idea of movie nights, BBQ and other activities for people who are seniors, new to community or singles to be able to enjoy facility
- Basketball, but that may be a concern with the balls potentially flying off the roof.
- Nothing
- Table Tennis and basketball
- Cafe/snack bar
- Green roof and rooftop park

- Chess tables, board games tables
- Sim lounge
- maybe a mix of 1, 2 and shade struture... the track would serve the school & the community well...
- Lounge chair for sunbathing
- Bodyweight exercise area - Pullup bars of various heights, benches, gym rings etc.
- Basketball
- Ok
- Zen garden/ meditation space
- some permanent chess/checker tables
- no comment
- Soccer field
- Flags, kites, wind art
- Local greenhouse selling seasonal fruits and vegetables
- Outdoor yoga area
- roof top ice skating rink
- ball hockey court / basketball

What features would you like included in or near the lobby? Select all that apply.

**Respondents who selected "Other, please specify." (92 responses)**

- Nothing
- Seating for elderly...so many lobbies do not have seating.
- Small playing stations for kids.
- seats
- Toilet facilities
- Prefer rotating art to permanent mural
- Green wall, low maintenance or rammed earth feature wall
- Comfortable seating
- Seating
- Lounge area
- A cafe to get healthy snacks after a swim
- Meeting spot/seating
- Somewhere to sit, benches
- Healthy water. Not City water
- Seating. Pop up sales
- Don't care
- Lounge or seating area with wifi
- A concierge like person to help those elderly or with disabilities
- Seating and a concession stand
- Café
- Washroom, board not specific to the school
- Sanitization station
- Spot set aside for strollers so they are not all over the place.
- Pro Shop
- Hand wash station
- Smoothie/healthy local food concession stand
- Security cameras and big signs telling would-be thieves that cameras are in use.

- Public Washroom
- Displaying local art and possibly a store/gift shop where local artisans can sell their work with a portion of proceeds going back into community resources for the community centre.
- Flexible chairs and tables
- A Land Acknowledgment plaque
- bike parking
- Seating
- A living wall
- none
- Sitting space for any community member (including the homeless)
- In person staffed desk for information about city services
- Climbing wall?
- Cafe/snack bar, seating, book exchange, etc.
- A historical board with history of the neighbourhood photos etc.
- Kids activity wall with built in panels
- Information in Multiple languages
- Discount offers for community shopa
- Affordable healthy snack bar.
- suggestion box or board
- Info/reception desk?
- A space for displaying rotating art exhibits. This is what my LUG does! We could have 2-4 exhibits per year made out of lego. As long as it's glassed in (away from prying hands), we can leave displays for as long or as little as you would like. We could have different ones for different holidays with enough advanced notice. Also, I've done some mosaics that I wouldn't mind lending the DCAC but they would need to be mounted in some way as not all of them are framed.
- Seating area
- Small shop for emergency supplies, like swim masks, or suits.
- Seating area
- Digital notice board
- Make this accessible even when not open? So people can use the filling station, see the art and notoce board. Like a 24 hour ATM vestibule is always open, even when the bank isn't
- Music
- Juice / protein shake / snack bar
- An area where you can put on/take off coats etc and maybe wait to meet someone and sit if needed.
- Seating wifi
- Community resources
- nothing in particular but ideas will comme along as this is an 'organic' process
- Charging stations (whether free or pay as you go)
- pool table
- a partnership with a food supplier, offer foods, drinks and coffee- healthy and the usual snack options. Hours of operation should coincide with community centre hours.
- LOTS OF SEATING FOR THE ELDERLY IF WAITING FOR WHEEL TRANS OR A RIDE and a space on the wall not a space in the lobby in which the art from the ART classes or photos can be displayed and possibly sold.

- Info desk
- playground
- No drinking fountains
- Washrooms
- I think it would be nice to recognize and support our community partners and businesses. Something to integrate the neighbourhood
- Cafe/snack bar/tuck shop
- All of the above
- Volunteer opportunities
- seating for waiting to be picked up, all ideas above are good.. i like the art while perhaps not that practical
- outdoor space as my previous comment
- Gathering space for social purposes
- Don't care
- Healthy snack/smoothie
- coffee shop
- information station using technology that everyone can access ie. Seniors, disabilities, language etc.
- no comment
- Community creativity space which can include creative displays of art and craft from the community members
- Information/welcome desk. And a sculpture installation or fountain at entrance foyer.
- seating, plants, a greeter to welcome folks, a small community bookshelf, free coffee/tea/snacks
- Living wall
- Seating/ benches
- information counter?
- Washroom
- Health education displays
- Any public art would be great
- Reception or security station
- Showers that accommodate social distancing
- Historic info about the neighbourhood and blurbs and photos of sports or cultural icons
- lots of seating and couches
- Coffee canteen

## Do you have any other feedback on the features and uses of the new Davisville Community & Aquatic Centre?

**(210 responses)**

- I think the community centre should have a dedicated art room with storage.
- Please provide space for Girl Guides who are unable to afford many community spaces in the area.
- Will there be parking?
- I love the idea of this community centre but the planners really need to keep in mind they are going to be next to a massive condo development: any activities that make noise on the rooftop patio may be problematic.
- Love it to focus on things that do not already exist. Thanks for the survey.



- I think this is great! I'd love to see a really active/lively community centre. Ancaster Community Centre is small, but is well-used for drop-in basketball, seniors programs, piano lessons, etc, and everyone in the community knows about it. I've worked elections at a few different community centres and that one always stands out to me.
- A space to gather and connect within different generations would be fantastic. I would love to see the centre show support of community small businesses by hosting demos/exhibits/classes/markets etc
- Would be great to be able to have space for a squash court, or the multi purpose rooms to be able to be used for that. There aren't any in the neighborhood without a high priced gym membership, and cost keeps many people out of the sport
- Public washroom
- We definitely need more swimming pools for actual swimming + exercise programs in this area. My choices for the rooftop was thinking of apt dwellers without outdoor space.
- A way to ensure its not too busy. maybe a capacity limit?
- Much needed - North Toronto Memorial is oversubscribed and very busy this will take a lot of pressure off that facility and serve the growing population at Davisville
- It sounds like a great project.
- Outside basketball hoops
- Indoor-outdoor visual and functional relationship. Outdoor landscape and furniture placed in well lit, green spaces. Abundant use of natural light, including indirect light. Use of wood on ceiling or walls to warm up the space. Good design example- Pam McConnell Aquatic Centre (archit. MJMA). Possible inclusion of PV panels on the roof or as façade material. Green roof.
- Thankful to have something in the area!
- Could there be a library as well?
- Please consider teen activities and younger seniors / retired adults
- Lots of windows and natural light for 25 m pool and elsewhere. Good air ventilation and circulation. Durable and easy to clean surfaces.
- In addition to gender neutral changerooms, there should be changerooms for women only and men only.
- Please include an indoor pickleball program for seniors
- Build it fast! We need this!!!
- Would love the pool to be bigger if possible as the only other pools in the neighbourhood are usually packed with people. If it is an aquatic centre let's make it more than an average 25m pool.
- Daytime movies for adults only (ie no children) similar to the free movies offered at times by the Toronto reference library. These were smaller movies, not blockbusters, often with subtitles.
- We love Owen Sound's leisure pool - check it out for ideas. Try to keep the pool airy and light with lots of windows. Make sure leisure pool is kept nice and warm. Please make sure change rooms are also warm. For multi-sex / family change rooms, add as many private change rooms as you can. Line ups to change when wet is hard on kids. Provide ability to pay for a towel if you forget. Add as many lanes as you can - while still providing a good sized leisure pool. Our community is growing and it will be very very busy!
- Warm water pool and a place to socialize after a class would be great

- Suggest expanding pool to 8 lanes, if possible. If building a 6 lane pool ensure lanes are wide. This facilitates use of lane by multiple swimmers and enhances safety (avoiding collisions).
- Consider a waist deep pool with seating on the sides that is kept at a higher temperature similar to the Wave Pool in Richmond Hill.
- Free or easy access for people who live in the Neighbourhood?
- Swimming provides an excellent workout yet there are few publicly accessible pools in/close to Davisville. Please prioritize lane swimming for those in the community who would like to work out, and consider a bigger / multiple pools.
- Include people with mobility issues in age limited programs. Frustrating for younger adults who would benefit from the seniors lane swim or aquafit programs to be excluded.
- Yes why did the old architecturally significant school for the deaf building have to be torn down? Will the new structure be as significant architecturally? If this is a community centre then more arts opportunities should exist as well as environmental education for youth. Perhaps a community garden? For people to participate it?
- Free wifi please Privacy shower and change areas
- Gender specific change rooms In addition for those who don't feel comfortable changing in front of the other gender
- No
- please rethink having gender neutral change rooms and surprised this was not part of the survey or even explained better ... As a women, I would not feel comfortable in a change room with men and thus would likely prevent me from using the pool which I have been looking forward to for a long time
- We're very excited to have this in the neighborhood as swimming/swim training/swim leadership programs are important to our family.
- Build it sooner
- Sounds like it's going to be amazing!!! Can't wait.
- Is there space for a therapeutic pool (Jacuzzi) like the one at Regent Park Aquatic Centre?
- Farmers market, tool library, woodworking workshops/classes, classes to improve health, pop-ups focused on sustainability (ex. BareMarket, donate/swap/garage sale)
- Community centres and pools are great. A lot of condos/apartments have underused pools/gyms/climbing walls. The city should work with developers in the planning stage and incentivize (or pay for) them to include a better, publicly available amenities on the couple floors.
- Please be a beacon of colour, light, and tasteful in art. :) We have enough new grey buildings in construction.
- It would be great if the lane pool were 2.5M deep. Suitable for swimming, waterpolo, artistic (formerly synchronized) swimming, and some diving.
- art space is a really wonderful idea for the community - and underrepresented in private businesses in the area, unlike fitness/yoga/etc. So art and music space would be such a great addition!
- No
- Please provide women's changerooms.
- No
- Gravity by local artists
- Great job! Sounds amazing! Pool tables? Fruit market?

- Why no info on how it will be shared with the school? How much time will the community be allowed in it. At what times will the community be allowed in.
- Please try not to make this another Good Life type facility. No gym/training.
- 8 lanes would be superior. Ensure proper lane ropes are obtained and the the pool depth is suitable for lane swim. Also ensure pace clocks are obtained and installed in locations that are easily visible from both ends of the pool.
- I am against Gender Neutral facilities - this seems like pandering to a fad and a very minute problem. Albeit a very vocal one. I do not want my daughters sharing facilities with men.
- Some community centres and pools (ex. Leaside) have fees. I suggest removing those barriers so it's accessible for all economic class levels.
- Please consider the unique opportunity this presents to construct an aquatic centre that is suitable for competitive swimming. A minimum of 8 lanes are necessary to maximize usage and flexibility, including for lane swim which has become increasingly popular for residents of all ages. Strong consideration of a pool longer than 25 m (eg 50m, or 25 + shorter pool that could be used for widths swimming) should be made given the lack of current facilities in the central part of the city.
- I'm particularly interested in the multi-purpose rooms. I am a theatre producer/ creator and know that there are so many amazing artists in this city that could benefit from these spaces. Weather it be to rent out for rehearsal spaces or to use when teaching classes and workshops.
- Definitely a fitness/weight room please.
- Does the test have access to the facilities during school time? In my public school all 7 and 8s swam during the school year.
- I'm tired of hearing stories of lockers being constantly broken into. Douglas Snow Aquatic Centre (for example) is famous for that. I really hope that the overall design discourages theft.
- All of the above are valuable as we have a very diverse community. Thank you
- No piped-in music! Steam room in the change room Bathing suit spinner (to remove water from swim suits)
- Ensure it serves swimmers of all abilities, which includes competition swimmers. It should be able to handle lower-level sanctioned swim competitions. Few TDSB pools can accommodate competition events.
- Washrooms and change rooms should be reserved for **members of a single biological sex as is traditional**
- I'd love to have early morning lane swim!
- I hope there is space for art throughout the facility, both in the design and the programming.
- It would be great if there was a gym with exercise equipment.
- This should be a hub for the local community to gather. Davisville is like a very small town and it should be centred around the immediate community because this neighborhood has been overlooked and under served for many years. I also think it should be called Davisville Park community centre and not an aquatic centre.
- Please make it before 2024, it's so cool!!! :)
- Save some city funds to allow the outdoor pool at the Eglinton community centre to reopen, and make sure there is an operating budget to allow this one to operate as well.
- Looking forward to this great addition to the neighbourhood. Is there a gym for badminton, volleyball etc.?

- wifi, dedicated secure bike/stroller parking
- I work at Water Sports, a scuba, aqua fitness and swim training store just down the street (2082 Yonge st). We would love to be able to teach scuba courses in our neighborhood! It would be really great if the pool is 10-11 feet deep, so that way we can teach locally!
- Using an electric wheelchair finding somewhere to workout is very difficult. I would be ecstatic if there was a facility in my neighbourhood that had wheelchair accessible equipment (like Variety Village or the Abilities Centre does).
- The outside of the building should be landscaped intensively and have a lot of seating walls etc. Provide a sheltered entrance with rain and sun canopies and overhangs. Provide lots of windows so the building and activities are visible from the street, midblock area and school yard.
- No.
- If the space is to be shared with the school, there should be equal access to it for both the community and students. There is technically a pool/community centre in my neighbourhood but the school dominates access to it and it doesn't seem intended for the wider community. I couldn't see a way to use the facilities when I tried.
- An area for volleyball would be great.
- A need for more medium speed lanes for swimming. Very few go in fast or slow lanes and the medium gets very crowded. A dedicated washroom for gender neutral folks. I am not comfortable seeing male anatomy of strangers in the shower.
- Community book exchange - place for people to leave books for others to read and borrow books from other people. Donation centre for people to donate used clothing, shoes, toys, etc., and for others to take same.
- Very excited about this new centre! Maybe a small cafe that will serve great coffee, tea and pastries. This might be complicated due to health regulations and especially during covid challenges but it's a thought.
- Space needs to be functional. People go to a Community Centre for use, for purpose. The space should be less about art and more about use ... what will people be able to access and use. Bottle filling stations, good idea. Tot play area in the pool, good idea. A multi-use room that can host various activities for various age demographics, good idea. But steering towards art displays and murals, why nice to look at and provide character, should only be spent once the functional tools and apparatuses have been installed. Art should be dedicated toward a later budget spend.
- As a resident of Millwood Rd. I'm a little concerned that there might be noise issues with the roof top area. It's a lovely idea but hopefully not late at night.
- It would be nice if the construction did NOT start until summer 2022 so that the school children at Davisville JR PD next door could have 1 school year without construction noise/disruption
- This sounds like a great addition to the neighborhood
- Volleyball court
- Add a Housing Help centre or a Homelessness Hub to provide community space for our unhoused neighbours.
- Consideration needed for noise levels outside or in the evening impacting on residents who live in the neighbourhood.
- Thanks for all your work!
- Programming (i.e. sport lessons in the gym, open gym use, etc.) will that be available?
- I am very excited about this coming to the neighbourhood, with the exception of the washroom concept. It is extremely uncomfortable. Please keep in mind, people are

changing into swimsuits so will be leaving the change room with less clothing on, and individuals will have to be nude twice. From a liability perspective, you owe it to the residents to feel safe when changing in order to use the pool. This is important for MENTAL HEALTH. No one wants to subject one's self to discomfort and fear. Therefore is it possible to change the washrooms to include 4 types so that for those who want gender neutral change/washrooms, all will feel comfortable.

- Can this facility be available for preschool special needs programs?
- Needs to focus on reducing isolation of seniors in the community. The design needs to be welcoming to people hard of hearing, low vision and diverse mobility issues. People need to be able to gather in small groups to chat with one another while enjoying a coffee in a pleasing atmosphere with lots of greenery.
- Toronto Community Centres are too focused on registered-programs. Sometimes you need indoor spaces to hang out in winter: seating for seniors, or bring a kid to hang out (when you missed the one-hour registered program) or access to free wifi or public washrooms.
- Please focus on activities for teens. There are virtually no camps or programs for teens in this neighbourhood. Thank you!
- I think you should get storable gymnastics equipment to set up gymnastics into the gym
- Nope
- Accessible parking
- I am a senior so my opinion for children's programming is limited, currently I go to the library and use the pool in Leaside so a closer one would be great.
- This is such an exciting and well needed addition to the community!
- Spacious change rooms. Viewing area for parents to watch kids while in the pool. Direct access to the pool viewing area without going through change rooms.
- I love this plan. It doesn't matter what's in it :) just having the pool and much needed community space is an excellent idea. Hopefully we get more like this in our neighborhood.
- Should have a subsidized food court.
- concerned that it will be overwhelmed with too many users with the new density from the two oversized new towers planned beside it.
- Be mindful of the socioeconomic and cultural diversity of the community when designing and programming
- Will there be separate parking from the school? Is the pool salt water? Having a party room with a play structure would be really helpful (similar to what the YMCAs have).
- This is so badly needed in our neighborhood. I just don't want the tweens and teens to be forgotten. Our babies and toddlers will grow up and there is a real lack of affordable programming in the neighborhood for families with older children. The community has changed significantly over the years and our seniors are also forgotten. How wonderful it would be to have a centre that could incorporate a generational program encouraging our youth and seniors to hang out, Learn and grow together.
- Very pleased to see focus on accessibility. I suggest that we include adult and paediatric water wheelchairs to make use of the ramps into the pool.
- It sounds great. Will get a lot of use, probably be packed a lot of the time. Sound dampening?
- I would like to see ample daytime hours ( M-F) for adult/senior only swim. I would want to see very restricted times available for rentals.
- I would prefer three types of bathrooms - female, male, gender neutral

- All inclusive Clubs should be a big part of usage - to drive community and create clubs that people can join regardless of their skill level. For many in the community they cannot afford to send their kids to expensive programs and special sports and interests ie: - gymnastics - martial arts - soccer, baseball - swim club - art club etc.
- Where will there be parking. And will it be affordable?
- Congratulations re comprehensive, ambitious plan. I really hope this happens, and that access is equitable for people actually living in the community, and for different age groups within the community.
- There should be gendered change rooms and bathrooms available. We are not comfortable with sending little girls to change in an area where men are changing.
- Please make it eco friendly with grass and fresh vegetable gardens available to the community on the roof top. The pool should be for the children and have swim lanes and have swim lessons available.
- RECIEVED NOTICE DAY AFTER ACTUAL ON LINE MEETING!!!!!!
- Please offer long hours (early morning till at least 9pm) for the pool & offer evening fitness classes at an early evening time (like 4:00 or 5:00) & a later evening time (like 6:00 or 7:00).
- Gender neutral change rooms could be an issue for some. Full design and layout specifications of the change rooms should be available for public viewing.
- There should be something for everyone in the neighborhood to enjoy.
- I mentioned above but will repeat here - an indoor walking track would be great. Having one on the rooftop is also a nice idea but to have somewhere to walk indoors safely in our long winter months would be awesome.
- I would rather see the rooftop devoted to human activities rather than have it designed as a green roof monopolized entirely by plantings without room for people to relax and enjoy themselves.
- WOMEN ONLY washrooms and change rooms please. Definitely do not feel SAFE or COMFORTABLE using the same washrooms/change rooms as Men and Boys. Gender-neutral may be fine for some people as an additional choice or option but please do not try to impose this on all individuals.
- Accessible accessible accessible. Inclusive too. Diving board? Rope swing?
- Focus on pool and exercise and children's/seniors/handicapped programs-the most vulnerable among us
- Great addition to the neighbourhood that is lacking in community spaces
- Please include a bicycle repair station and ample bike parking
- lots of aquafit classes please
- Especially during COVID the lack of access to a pool, except for more than 30 mins increments, I have really noticed my desire for lane swim and the flexible hours to get an hour or hour and a half swim in. This would be a great addition to the community. I also would like to see recreational activities for youth, such as training for life guards, athletic teams, girl guide meetings, etc.
- it's a bit hard to understand about the gender neutral change and wash rooms. All i have to say about this is that as a female, i don't like to use washrooms that men also are using ie. in hospitals.
- I would feel more comfortable with one or 2 gender neutral bathrooms but also there must be gender specific bathrooms available at all times not just specific times.
- I'd like to see protected bike lane on Davisville Ave so children from surrounding apartment buildings can ride to the swimming safely.

- I hope the pool change room will have accessibility features for people with complex physical disabilities e.g. adult sized change table, roll in shower with commode, hooyer lift, roll in pool chairs. Also please consider having adult sized change tables in washrooms.
- It is very important that this space have external green space for people to play cricket. While I am not a cricket player myself, I would see large groups of community members playing cricket on the former school grounds. In particular, many of the players were South Asian and I think it's important to provide culturally-relevant activity spaces.
- Properly staffed, with increasing importance on security, cameras as this neighbourhood demographic is changing rapidly and lets plan accordingly. Also, nix the gender neutral washrooms as this is not a well thought out design. Many people of less liberal cultures live in the Davisville community, especially the rental units and I know they do not feel comfortable with the idea of gender neutral washrooms. It's does not suggest safety and comfort for the majority of population who will be using the space.
- NO gender-neutral washrooms and change rooms!!!!!! Who the h... will use them?
- Please bring back badminton to the community, which was present and lost at Maurice Cody. Consider some community programming for seniors and new mothers, who are often isolated. Keep the building open and humming 7 days a week, morning to night.
- I'm not sure what gender neutral change rooms and washrooms means, as a woman if it means I would be changing in front of men or sharing a bathroom with men then I would not use the Centre.
- install lockers for personal belonging to be secured while community members use the aquatic centre
- Affordable. Hot tub.
- I noticed that kitchen/cooking classes were on the list of uses for the multi-use space. Does that mean there will be a community kitchen space? I think that would be really cool
- Love it! So excited :)
- I DO NOT LIKE UNISEX WASHROOMS and CHANGE ROOMS....you are doing that to appease a very small segment of the population who will be using this space, everyone is waaayyy too worried about being politically correct these days. **So you have one big unisex change room in which you risk the safety of women and children from muslim religions when men are changing around them. As well as straight women. Risking the potential that sex offenders are also around,** but you care more about being politcally correct? When I was growing up I would go into the change room myself as a young girl. it made me more aware and very much taught me street sense as well.
- Love how inclusive this is!
- Many change rooms are poorly cleaned and below expected public health standards. I use one centre for swimming that is clean. All the others I've tried are filthy!
- Great location
- Do not like gender neutral washrooms
- Make sure to have desperate make and female change rooms
- I hope you offer some parking spaces.
- Looking forward to enroll my kids to various programs for kids and teens run by the City of Toronto.
- I absolutely love the thought that's gone behind the planning of the Centre. Cannot wait to see what your team ends up finalizing and building.
- Please add saunas

- I would like to see secure bike locker that must be cleared nightly. I would either have to take subway which can get expensive or ride a bike to the area. I'm not sure if racquet courts are out of the question but it would be nice
- I'd like an adults-only lane swim
- Aquafit please.
- The pool should be an 8 lane 25m pool
- The more swim lanes the better.
- The Davisville CAC is an exciting new addition to the neighbourhood that is definitely needed since there are so many people and families in the area. Thank you for the survey consultation! My family can't wait to use the space!
- So happy that this is opening in the neighborhood
- -must be wheelchair accessible -must have individual washrooms for those not comfortable using shared gender neutral washrooms -must hold Red Cross and Royal Life Saving Society swimming lessons as well as Learn to Swim/Intro to swimming lessons for school groups from underserved neighbourhoods (e.g. Thorncliffe Park)
- Thank you very much for considering a gender-neutral washroom and rooftop garden.
- Isn't it a waste of money considering that **we are covid prisoners** and will take years to feel comfortable again to go to the pool???! The City already has many pools and most of the building are dirty and in bad shape.
- I really hope that a building is created where I can go & do aquafit in deep water. It is difficult when have issues and all the aquafit (or most) is in shallow water. I am very excited about this centre. Thank you
- Consult with Calgary's Repsol Centre. World class facility. Handles a big population, hugely contributes to health and fitness of Calgary. They have a lot of great experience in design and features to inform your decisions.
- Please include an outdoor area with a park section and a section to play outdoor sports
- Given the investment requirements for a new pool, hours should be long to accommodate many users. Off hours could be made available to private groups to raise revenue.
- A Masters Swim program and / or adult swim lessons for intermediate / advanced swimmers.
- I think there are things enough, as mentioned in the survey,
- As you can tell by my other answers I'm not excited. Really not sure why they didn't build the school and aquatic centre at the same time. Maybe in the planning of usage, think of the families who live on Millwood and what impact the comings and goings of the public to the facility will have on their lives...ie traffic, noise, parking (cause you know people will illegally park), trash etc.
- Is there a place for residents to run classes, talks or programs through the centre?
- IF you want a gender neutral washroom build three, men, women and gender neutral. **I would not take a girl under 18 into a change room or washroom men are using. This is an invitation to predators.**
- No Thank YOU.
- Sounds like a lot of work has gone into this. Bravo!
- Would like to have access to the Aquatic Centre before School starts from 6 a.m. onwards
- In order to keep the safety of the children at Davisville, access from/to School must be carefully thought to avoid someone in the community center entering the School.
- No



- So glad it's being developed!
- Making free is a great benefit to the neighborhood
- The only City of Toronto pool that meets modern long-course specifications is the Pan Am pool at Morningside and Military Trail in east Scarborough. This is remote and difficult to access for nearly all Toronto residents.
- Fantastic! Can't wait for this to be part of the community.
- It is very important to have diving blocks because 'real' swimmers dive off them. At the North York YMCA they were mostly removed due to their design and the two remaining ones could only be used by swim teams. Please choose blocks that are safe so that they can be used by everyone! Diving and jumping is very important. Scary at first but really gratifying once done!
- Programs that match different age groups can be beneficial for all. Art or music programs that encourage multi-generational participation for example.
- As a healthy senior with mobility issues I think the whole project is fantastic. It would be great to have some interactive programs for seniors with little kids even just a play time!!!
- Table Tennis tables and a basketball hoop. Some simple free weights area would be great. It would be fantastic to have some simple outdoor fitness equipment - pullups bars, dip bars, etc. You can see a great example on Titchester Road (near St.Clair West Subway Entrance) - Cedarvale Park Calisthenics
- Needs to be low cost or free for community to participate or use facilities.
- Would love to see an inclusive design, wheelchair friendly, family change rooms, openness to community engagement and partnerships!
- Having the pool but very limited hours makes this expensive and useless. As well, lockable lockers should be in the change rooms.
- GREAT that the washrooms are non-gendered. I often am treated with hostility in washrooms so this is a hopeful feature
- Seniors cannot generally use the tot pool because the water level is too low to allow for people with disabilities or knee issues to rise from the water. We are forced to stand. There needs to be an area of high underwater seating or high water to allow for those with mobility issues to enjoy the tot pool as well.
- Please keep the facility clean! I stopped swimming at the North Toronto Memorial Community Centre partly because it got so grubby.
- Having an online booking system for activities will be a plus.
- So excited to see this come together! Thank you for the opportunity to participate.
- 50 meter pools are better
- I hope the public will be able to access the school's gyms for exercising and working out. A concern I have is that this area is so highly populated and with people of all ages, that the community centre will be 'too busy' and that there may be difficulty in making use of the facility and its programs. Wish you all the best with this endeavor and looking forward to its completion.
- A sports centre should also include other activities than swimming. Pilates, yoga, but the city lacks affordable indoor tennis sites. This should be included when designing any sports centre. An active community is a healthy community.
- Duplicate bridge
- A physiotherapist on-site to help those who need care but can't afford private care
- Hopefully there can be a predictable schedule - many in the area are confusing. Also a special request to leave one lane open as much as possible for lane swimming. Thanks!
- Staffed with seniors as well as people under 20

- I greatly prefer a salt water pool over chlorine.
- Polling station for voting I'm happy to learn that we are getting a new community centre and pool in the neighbourhood. I did not know this would be part of the school reconstruction and it is a great idea.
- Pickle ball
- Please provide baby change tables inside and outside of washrooms. Of they are only inside the line is usually long. If they are outside it is difficult for parent to use the washroom and change privately. A mix would be perfect
- Make it affordable
- Make sure there is enough shallow water for chest deep Aquafitness classes on the lap pool and ample storage on deck for the aquafit belts, pool noodles and mats for instructors and a speaker system to connect to play music. Do not put metal poles in the toddler pool that you can hit your head on and take up space for swimming around. Have windows that open to give fresh air to the guards and instructors but also have shades so the sun isn't in their eyes. Put lines on the roof so you can swim straight on your back. Don't make the showers too cold or no one will want to use them or swim there.
- Nature inside, specifically in winter.
- As a caregiver of a family member with dementia, I would LOVE half-day programming for seniors with dementia. I'm having trouble accessing that kind of thing, especially in this area.
- It would be great to have a pool that is both indoor and outdoor. So that people who feel claustrophobic or who cannot tolerate strong smells can be accommodated.
- Definitely want to see a few ping pong tables and paddles
- I'm very happy it's coming to my neighborhood.