



COMMUNITY WALK REPORT

629 Adelaide Street West Shelter

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BACKGROUND

St. Felix Centre, with support from the City of Toronto, will open a shelter for people experiencing homelessness at 629 Adelaide Street West in the Fall of 2024. The shelter will have the capacity for 50 people and will provide comprehensive case management and programming support for all clients, with a focus on helping people secure permanent housing.

This site is a relocation of shelter services previously operated by St. Felix Centre at 25 Augusta Avenue. The Augusta site closed in July 2023 and is in the process of being converted into new affordable housing.

A Community Engagement process was initiated by the City of Toronto to inform and engage local community members around the operation of the shelter to be located at 629 Adelaide Street West, and to provide an opportunity for the community to become involved in ensuring the success of the shelter in the neighbourhood.

The City and St. Felix Centre have made several adjustments to continue supporting people experiencing homelessness and address feedback received regarding 629 Adelaide St W through engagement activities in Fall 2023. A variety of factors influenced the change to the service model, including community feedback, available budget, and a further assessment of the layout and square footage of the space.

A key community engagement activity for this site was the coordination of a Community Walk. The primary purpose of the Community Walk (henceforth also referred to as “the Walk”) is to ensure representatives from various local stakeholder groups collectively identify areas of concern in the community that may be impacted by the upcoming shelter program and begin a process of addressing those concerns.

This report outlines the planning process as well as observations and recommendations of all participants involved in the Walk held on May 6, 2024.

COMMUNITY WALK PLANNING GROUP

A planning group was established to organize the Community Walk. Barnes Management Group facilitated the Community Walk Planning Group Meetings. The planning group met to outline all aspects of the Community Walk to be held on May 6, 2024.

The planning group consisted of representatives from:

- Toronto Shelter & Support Services Division (TSSS), City of Toronto
- Deputy Mayor Malik's Office
- St. Felix Centre
- The Community Safety and Wellbeing unit from the Social Development, Finance and Administration Division, City of Toronto
- Toronto Police Services.

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION

The Planning Group aimed to ensure inclusivity in the Community Walk. To achieve this, the planning group identified a broad cross-section of key community stakeholders in the vicinity of the site. As a typical practice for community engagement, invitations were extended to one representative from each of these groups. This resulted in the participation of 16 stakeholder groups in the Community Walk.

The specific stakeholder groups invited to participate in the Walk included:

- St. Felix Centre
- Toronto Police Services, 14 Division
- St. Mary's Catholic Elementary School
- Niagara Street Junior Public School
- Toronto Alliance Church
- St. Mary's Parish
- West Queen West B.I.A.
- West Neighbourhood House
- Evangel Hall Mission
- Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre
- TCHC Bathurst Adelaide Building at 575 Adelaide St. West
- MTCC - 1348 Adelaide Square at 140 Bathurst Street
- TSCC - 2553 One Eleven Condos at 111 Bathurst Street
- MTCC - 674 The Summit at 701-705-725 King Street West + Wellington Street West
- Garment District Neighbourhood Association
- West End Welcomes Neighbourhood Group

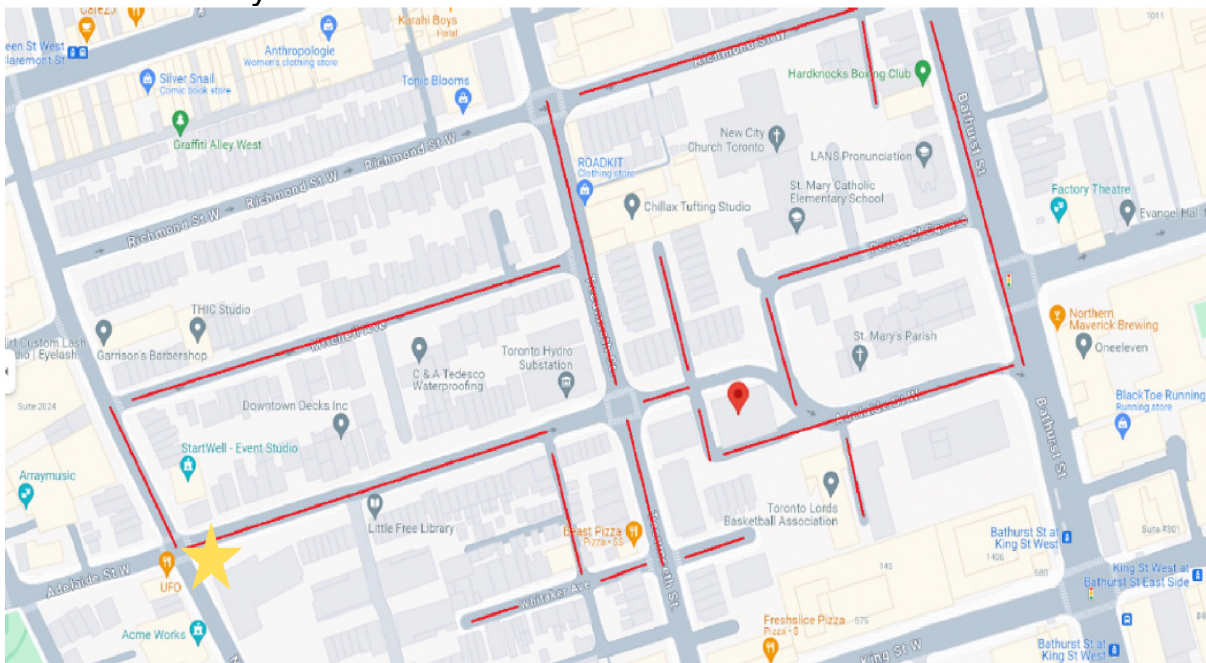
Community Walk participants also included Deputy Mayor Ausma Malik, along with three representatives from her office. Toronto Alliance Church and St. Mary's Parish representatives were unable to join the Walk due to a scheduling conflict. However, they expressed their support for the shelter and their willingness to assist in its successful integration into the community. Similarly, the representative from the Queen West B.I.A. was unable to attend the Walk on the planned date but has provided input through other engagement opportunities.

Prior to the Community Walk, all confirmed walk participants received a detailed e-mail outlining key aspects related to the planned Walk, including the purpose of the Walk, the anticipated duration, and the expected code of conduct.

THE COMMUNITY WALK

The Community Walk was held on May 6, 2024, at 11:00 AM and was approximately 1.5 hours long. The Walk participants were divided into two groups to ensure manageable sizes for navigating through the community streets and sidewalks safely and effectively. Before starting the Walk, a brief overview, of key details, was shared, including the route, conduct expectations and a round of introductions of all the Walk participants. Barnes Management Group served as walk leaders, guiding participants along the predetermined route. Staff from TSSS took notes for all groups.

The Community Walk route is visualized below:



Group 1 starting point – Niagara Street Junior Public School

Group 2 starting point – Stanley Park, at the intersection of Adelaide Street West and Walnut Avenue

Multiple individuals who had not been invited joined the Walk. TSSS staff and representatives from Toronto Police Services, 14 Division and these individuals created a third group that followed the designated route. In total 13 people joined the additional Walk and their feedback was captured in notes taken by staff from TSSS.

FINDINGS

Key findings from the Community Walk were consistent across all three groups. A consolidated list of all the concerns identified and proposed recommendations is captured in **Appendix “A”**.

Areas of concern focused on six primary themes: the shelter facility, schools, drug use, sharps and drug paraphernalia, traffic, lighting, and private property.

It is important to note that the concerns identified during the Walk are complex and multifaceted across various neighbourhoods in the City of Toronto, and are standing concerns in the area.

The recommendations in this report will be shared with the appropriate stakeholders. Concerns related to shelter operations will be shared with St. Felix Centre and Toronto Shelter & Support Services. Concerns involving municipal infrastructure and operations will be directed to the appropriate City divisions and partners. .

A significant amount of suggestions were related to the use of Community Safety Team (CST). CSTs monitor a specific catchment area, often 24/7. The primary objectives include aiding shelter guests, fostering safer community environments, and addressing concerns like the safe disposal of used needles and drug-related items. CSTs consist of frontline workers who bring a compassionate, patient, and non-judgmental attitude to their roles.

Shelter Facility – 629 Adelaide Street West

Walk participants toured the surrounding area around the shelter facility including the adjacent laneways. Several participants in the Walk recommended that the boulevard area on the north side of the shelter building be considered for development into an enclosed private space for shelter guests. Fencing around this area could provide privacy and prevent obstruction of the walkway for pedestrians.

There was concern that the laneways on the south and west sides of the shelter were littered with garbage and used clothing. Additional lighting and security cameras, a parabolic mirror and motion sensors were

recommended. These installations should consider the townhouse residents backing onto the south end of the laneway.

Toronto Hydro maintains an underground electrical plant and vent system maintenance vault at the southwest corner of the laneway. Individuals are known to congregate in areas like this and garbage can accumulate. Areas of responsibility and recommendations are detailed in **Appendix “A”**.

Schools

Walk participants met directly with the principals of St. Mary’s School and Niagara Street Junior Public School during the Walk. Both principals toured the group around their properties and shared concerns related to the respective schools. Some of the key issues at both schools related to adequate fencing and health and safety risks for their students due to the dangers of sharps and drug paraphernalia found on their properties.

Work is currently underway by the school to address these issues, and ongoing meetings are planned with representatives from both schools and the City of Toronto.

Furthermore, it was discussed that the Community Safety Teams (CSTs) prioritize schools along the catchment route, and work with St. Felix to determine a schedule for proactive patrols and for being responsive to community calls. CSTs will collaborate with existing services in the community to minimize overlap of activities.

Drug Use, Sharps and Drug Paraphernalia

All Stakeholder Groups and Community Walk participants have voiced concerns regarding the proliferation of sharps and drug paraphernalia found in several locations throughout the area; particularly in the areas surrounding the two schools. Community Safety Teams are recommended to support the collection of sharps and drug paraphernalia within the designated area, with recommendations that special attention and priority should be given to the vicinity of schools, the shelter site, and neighbouring properties around the shelter.

Traffic

During the Community Walk, significant concern was expressed about the speed of vehicular traffic progressing around Adelaide St W and Portugal Sq. These concerns are heightened by the fact children are often walking

along these streets to and from school, as well as local pedestrian traffic moving throughout the neighbourhood. To address traffic and safety risks, recommendations to implement traffic calming features such as stop signs, speed bumps, crossing guards, and additional police presence were made.

Lighting

Several locations along the Community Walk were identified as requiring enhanced lighting in private property, sidewalks, and laneways.

Recommendations were made to conduct additional environmental scans, especially during the evening, to assess lighting needs in public spaces more comprehensively. Property owners are responsible for maintaining lighting on their private property.

Private Property

A significant portion of concerns identified by all three groups related to issues observed on private property. Given the current and specific layout of many of these properties and spaces, they are perceived as vulnerable locations for loitering, congregating, or trespassing. Walk participants raised concerns that they could be potential locations for drug use, theft, and mischief.

Recommendations include considering incorporating a walk-by for some of the areas surrounding private property within the catchment area of the Community Safety Teams. However, it is important to note that Community Safety Teams are not authorized to visit or patrol private properties.

Property owners are responsible for the maintenance of their space. In case of safety issues or incidents of trespassing, immediate contact with 911 or using the Toronto Police Online Reporting Tool: Online Reporting - Toronto Police Service (<https://www.tps.ca/services/online-reporting/>) is recommended. . Neighbourhood Community Officers (NCOs) work in partnership with local residents and community-based organizations to address crime, disorder and community safety issues. Acting as ambassadors for the Toronto Police Service, they work collaboratively with residents as well as community agencies to build sustainable solutions.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM BARNES MANAGEMENT GROUP

The extensive amount of information gathered during the Community Walk, along with the detailed sharing beforehand, demonstrates the significant concern and passion that exists among community members. It also highlights the urgency they feel with respect to finding solutions to many of these issues.

Throughout the Community Walk, many synergies and examples emerged as to how a well-coordinated and collaborative approach could be developed between community members, the shelter operator, and many of the existing services and supports in the neighbourhood. This could be a powerful resource to bring people together to find solutions to several of the concerns identified during the Community Walk.

A consolidated list of all the concerns raised during the Community Walk is identified and proposed recommendations are captured in **Appendix “A”**. The recommendations below are high-level recommendations from Barnes Management Group. Barnes Management Group submits the following:

1. The City of Toronto, St. Felix Centre, and the two schools in the area to meet regularly to ensure that concerns identified by the schools are considered for action and progress is communicated.
2. A meeting be held to bring existing community safety teams and resources together to review and explore opportunities to better integrate and utilize the resources they currently provide in the community. Coordination is required to bring existing and future Community Safety Teams together, aiming to review and explore opportunities for improved integration and utilization of shared resources.

The coordination and collaboration of resources and schedules among the various Community Safety Teams, Consumption Treatment Services, School Custodial staff, and Outreach services available through Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre and the shelter could result in a broader, more frequent, and consistent approach to safety activities throughout the

neighbourhood. This could also expedite the pickup and safe disposal of sharps, drug paraphernalia and other items of concern.

3. The creation of a Who To Call Sheet outlining various services and their respective contact details. Distribute this sheet to community representatives and members who can call for assistance.
4. The formation of a Community Liaison Committee for the shelter to explore opportunities to facilitate collaboration between the shelter, community residents, schools in the area, the faith community, and other services in the community to assist in the successful integration of the shelter into the community.

COMMUNITY WALK – 629 ADELAIDE ST. W SHELTER

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
SHELTER FACILITY		
629 Adelaide St W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a need for increased lighting around the shelter site to make the area more welcoming. The laneway beside 645 Adelaide and behind the building is a concern. The laneway across the street, at 628 and 636 Adelaide, also raises concerns. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should assess the feasibility of increasing lighting on the property exterior and enhancing the building and site aesthetics to add warmth and beauty through thoughtful design.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential loitering at the front of the building. Concerns regarding the shelter’s windows facing the windows of homes across the street. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should assess the feasibility of creating an enclosed outdoor space on the north side, considering weatherproofing, functionality, and enhanced aesthetics. St Felix and TSSS should explore privacy measures for the windows. St. Felix to determine options for providing private programming spaces for shelter residents.
629 Adelaide St W (Back laneway / Southwest corner)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The laneway backs onto the underground Toronto Hydro vault and easement for the neighbouring condominium residents. Cameras are not visible, and the area is poorly lit with inadequate lighting. There is already evidence of drug use and camping, raising concerns about garbage accumulation, particularly from the shelter kitchen. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should explore the installation of a parabolic mirror at the corner to enhance visibility, along with improved lighting that increases visibility without disturbing neighbouring homes. St Felix and TSSS should explore the installation of a robust video surveillance system to ensure continuous monitoring of sight lines and the perimeter of the facility.

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
	<p>Potential hotspot for loitering:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The neighbouring fencing is too short, likely leading to individuals breaching the fence and entering the backyards of adjacent residences. • The concrete pad, being an attractive flat space, already experiences occasional issues. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TSSS should coordinate with Solid Waste Management to clean up the weeds and collect garbage on the property closer to the shelter opening. • TSSS should engage with Municipal Licensing and Standards to conduct a property standards review of the site.
<p>629 Adelaide St W (Facing Portugal Sq)</p>	<p>Traffic and Safety:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are significant traffic and safety concerns arising from frequent speeding, accidental wrong-way traffic, and instances of three-point turns on the road or in nearby alleys. • The curving street/intersection in front of the shelter lacks adequate stop signs or sightlines, compounding safety risks. • The presence of children walking through these streets to and from school further heightens safety concerns. • Community members feel that the addition of a shelter at this location will increase pedestrian traffic and potential health and safety risks, compounding existing dangers to the immediate community members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Councillor's office should continue discussions with Transportation Services to implement traffic calming features such as STOP signs, speed bumps, or crossing guards. • TSSS should liaise with TPS Neighbourhood officers to look for opportunities to monitor and deter speeding.

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
KEY ORGANIZATIONS AND SITES		
St. Mary's Catholic School 20 Portugal Square	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is concern regarding the entrance/exit by the parking lot and the potential for increased congregation of people, particularly due to the proximity of a small parking space belonging to private property adjacent to the school entrance. Additionally, the Kiwanis Boys and Girls Club operates from the school and utilizes this entrance. While the gated area is closed in the evenings, it is opened on Sundays to serve as parking space for the church. A comprehensive walk-through of the school property was conducted in November 2023. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should direct CST to prioritize St. Mary's Catholic Elementary School. St. Felix and TSSS should collaborate with the Parkdale Community Health Centre CST team to increase their presence and prioritize safety measures in the area.
Niagara Street Junior Public School 222 Niagara St (Front of school)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The intersection becomes highly crowded from 3:20 to 3:45 PM as children head towards Stanley Park, congregate at the UFO and the convenience store across the street, or go east to the Kiwanis after-school club at St. Mary's. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should direct CST to prioritize schools along the catchment route, as feasible, and as staffing allows.
	<p>Fenced Area Beside Front Entrance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fence is quite low, raising the potential to hop onto school premises. Sharp objects are occasionally found just outside the school boundaries and fenced areas. This has not been a significant issue so far. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As the shelter is not yet operational, connections should be considered between Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre, their Safety teams and the school for picking up drug paraphernalia. CSTs from 629 Adelaide should collaborate with the Queen West Parkdale team when determining catchment routes. Consumption Treatment Services (CTS) from Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre be available for assistance, with contact information shared with both schools.

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Niagara Street Junior Public School (Parking Lot on Walnut Ave/Adelaide St / 170 Adelaide St)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Insufficient lighting in the area, which raises safety concerns and reduces visibility. The gate remains open and does not close properly, compromising security. The gate is scheduled to be securely closed from 11 PM to 6 AM. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSSS should contact the school to discuss implementing measures for closing and locking the gates, as well as enhancing lighting in the area.
St. Mary's Church 588 Adelaide St W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The church has already experienced several break-ins and frequently receives individuals experiencing homelessness who seek support. While the church assists individuals as needed, including providing food dropped off by residents in the area, there is concern that it will not be able to respond to any increased demand once the shelter opens. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSSS and St Felix should maintain communication with the church, and collaborate where appropriate.
Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre (CHC) 168 Bathurst St	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fenced area is unused and lacks privacy. There are no benches in the outdoor seating area for residents, causing participants to congregate on the sidewalk and creating a safety hazard. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre to evaluate the feasibility of installing benches in the outdoor area and enhance the fencing to provide privacy. CSTs from 629 Adelaide should collaborate with the Queen West Parkdale team when determining catchment routes.

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
Toronto Community Housing (TCH) Building 575 Adelaide St W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access concerns have arisen due to instances of loitering and trespassing. The underground garage door has either been left open or is not functioning properly. The northwest corner of the building, adjacent to the parking exit stairwell, and the southwest corner of the parking area lack lighting and are secluded, with no video surveillance coverage. There are concerns that these areas may attract individuals seeking shelter due to their sheltered nature. The back area of the Clock Tower Lofts requires further assessment by the condo to determine necessary additional security measures. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TCH should reach out to the building management to address access issues.
PRIVATE PROPERTY, SIDEWALKS, LANEWAYS		
Tecumseh North of Adelaide	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiple laneways 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should evaluate these locations and consider a walk-by external to private alley-ways, if these areas are part of the CST's catchment area. A majority of these laneways fall on private property and are the responsibility of the Property owners/ property managers. Property owners are advised to maintain their property and make any required repairs. Property owners are advised to maintain standard lighting and security.
North Adelaide Laneway (Across shelter site)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This laneway serves as a residential thoroughfare for condominium townhouse residents to access their properties and park their vehicles. Additionally, many children reside in this area. 	
Laneway between 93 and 95 Mitchell St.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This location could potentially be susceptible to congregation and trespassing. 	
Parking Lot on Mitchell Street for Niagara Street Junior Public School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This area is designated for staff parking and is enclosed by a fence. It features a lengthy driveway. This location could potentially be susceptible to congregation and trespassing. 	

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
Tedesco Waterproofing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> During the day, the site gates are open, while in the evening, they are closed. The site includes a spacious parking lot. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should evaluate these locations and consider a walk-by external to private alley-ways, if these areas are part of the CST's catchment area. A majority of these laneways fall on private property and are the responsibility of the Property owners/ property managers. Property owners are advised to maintain their property and make any required repairs. Property owners are advised to maintain standard lighting and security.
Laneway east of 8 Mitchell St beside 9 Mitchell St.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The laneway provides a space where people can readily gather and has access to residential units on private property. 	
142 Tecumseth Street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The laneway provides a space where people can readily gather and has access to residential units on private property. 	
135 Tecumseth St and nearby laneways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tenants of the commercial business at 135 Tecumseth St. access their units via the Nanak Laneway off Tecumseth St. and the Greshan Iskowitz Laneway off Richmond St. The location is notably secluded, lacking natural surveillance from the street. Its secluded nature may encourage individuals to gather and linger unnoticed after hours. 	
Nanak laneway and private laneway directly across the street	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This retail court, situated away from the main street. The laneway provides a space where people can readily gather and has access to residential units on private property. 	
Gershon Itkowitz Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The laneway provides a space where people can readily gather and has access to residential units on private property. 	
625 Richmond St	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site features a large lot, and the buildings appear to be slated for future development. 	

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140 Bathurst St (Courtyard and parking lot entrance beside TH-08 on Portugal Street)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a spacious area conducive to congregation, with the parking lot entrance located directly beside a row of residential townhomes and backing onto the playground of St. Mary's School. Presently, the area is easily accessible. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should evaluate these locations and consider a walk-by external to private alley-ways, if these areas are part of the CST's catchment area. A majority of these laneways fall on private property and are the responsibility of the Property owners/ property managers. Property owners are advised to maintain their property and make any required repairs. Property owners are advised to maintain standard lighting and security.
Sidewalk beside 618 Adelaide St W (Townhome)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shaded area at this location has the potential where people can readily gather. 	
Kings Townes 208 Niagara Street / 800 King Street W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimal issues are expected. Potential lighting concerns may arise during nighttime. Cameras are not readily visible. 	
Tecumseth Laneway 677 Adelaide St W	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very well maintained. Potential lighting concerns may arise during nighttime. Cameras are not readily visible. 	
Michener Ct	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The wooden fence is broken towards the end of the read. Easy for individuals to jump over or hop. 	
720 King St W (Rear Parking)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The shared fences along the west side, which are adjacent to the Condominium townhouses, are in poor condition and require repair. Sections of the fence are missing, and it is regularly breached. There is limited lighting in the parking lot, resulting in dark areas, particularly in the corners. 	

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Joseph Salsberg Ln –Condominium Townhomes Alleyway near 617 Adelaide St	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The driveways of the first two units on the north side provide covered and concealed areas, potentially attracting individuals to gather and linger, especially during inclement weather. • Lighting is sparse in this residential area, with minimal video surveillance except for one or two units. • The area is attractive but hidden from view, with elements such as covered carports and limited lighting. • The condo has already started costing for security. 	
710 King St and 575 Adelaide St W back laneway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a hidden concrete stairwell leading to the lower parking level, with the door secured but secluded. • There are ongoing issues with loitering, disorder, and drug use in the area. • 710 King St has 24/7 security. • The superintendent at 575 Adelaide clears the area when loitering is observed. 	
Laneway at 178 Bathurst Near Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre (CHC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This area currently experiences significant drug activity, including improper disposal of syringes and involvement in the illicit drug trade. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parkdale Queen West Community Health Centre should consider incorporating it into their CST's catchment area. • CSTs from 629 Adelaide should collaborate with the Queen West Parkdale team when determining catchment routes.

LOCATION	CONCERN	RECOMMENDATIONS
MISCELLANEOUS		
Single family homes throughout neighbourhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several properties have open front yards or are only blocked by small wooden fences, with some featuring attractive corners and minimal lighting (e.g., 617 Adelaide). Vehicles parked on driveways in front of garages may be susceptible to door checks and opportunistic theft. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TSSS and Councillor's office should investigate general improvements to public lighting. Residents should be encouraged to enhance lighting on private property and park their cars in garages whenever possible.
Adelaide St W and Portugal Sq	<p>Street Garden:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a small green space located on Portugal Square northwest of the intersection, with houses situated across the street, making it a popular route for children walking to and from school. The site could become a cause for concern, as shelter guests may congregate there or be vulnerable to encampments or damages. There is potential for community partnership for ongoing work and beautification. St Felix noted that the garden could serve as a valuable opportunity to engage shelter guests in the community, such as through maintaining the garden. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Councillor's office and St Felix should follow up to identify the entity responsible for operating and maintaining the street garden. TSSS should explore avenues for community engagement and develop strategies for ongoing maintenance of the street garden.

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Several locations throughout the Community Walk	<p>Drug Use, Sharps, and Drug Paraphernalia:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Stakeholder Groups and Community Walk participants have voiced concern regarding the proliferation of sharps and drug paraphernalia to be found in several locations throughout the area; particularly in the areas surrounding the two schools. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS to coordinate efforts to address the regular collection of sharps and drug paraphernalia within the designated area of the shelter. Special attention and priority should be given to the vicinity of schools, the shelter site, and immediate neighbouring properties around the shelter. St Felix to encourage shelter guests to be good neighbours within their community.
Several locations throughout the Community Walk	<p>Street Lighting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Several areas along the route have been identified as needing improved street lighting, both in public spaces, laneways, and on private property. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private property owners are encouraged to conduct additional environmental scans, especially during the evening hours, to assess lighting needs comprehensively. TSSS to explore with the appropriate divisions increasing lighting in public spaces and laneways
Along Adelaide and surrounding streets; the general neighbourhood	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is significant pedestrian traffic on weekends towards the Church, particularly on Saturdays and Sundays. The Church is a focal point for the Portuguese community and attracts many seniors attending weddings, funerals, services, and festivals. The route they take often passes by the proposed patio area of the site. There is a scarcity of public garbage receptacles in the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Felix and TSSS should evaluate these locations and consider incorporating them into the CST's catchment area. TSSS should liaise with TPS regarding police presence during peak hours to monitor and deter speeding. Property owners should order additional garbage receptacles as required.