

City of Brampton WARDS 7 & 8 SUMMER 2024 NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to the golden birthday celebration of Brampton!

As we mark 50 years since our beloved City was incorporated, we invite all residents and friends from near and far to join in the festivities. This milestone is not just about the growth of Brampton, but also about the community and the connections we've created together.

If you're like me and spent most of your life here, you are amazed at how far we've come.

From its early days as a small village known for its flower industries to becoming one of Canada's fastest-growing big cities, Brampton has always been a place of development and opportunity. Let's take a moment to celebrate our past achievements and the diverse cultural heritage that shapes our identity today.

As we begin to welcome summer, I want to remind residents about safety on our streets, especially as young children will be outside playing and enjoying our parks and recreation facilities. Please be mindful of the driving speeds posted on our streets and watch for pedestrians.

I hope you all have a safe and happy summer. Please call or email me if there is something I can help with. I am available to work with you to address any issues or problems in the City and at the Region.

Pat Fortini

As the summer season approaches, our community is experiencing exciting growth and development. The recent investments from Federal and Provincial governments in Brampton Transit signify a commitment to enhancing our transportation infrastructure. The addition of new buses, modern fare payment systems and automatic vehicle location technology is driving a significant stride towards a more convenient transit experience for the community.

The City of Brampton's reinforcement of community safety through increased by-law enforcement showcases a dedication to maintaining a secure and harmonious environment for all residents. The addition of more By-law & Enforcement Officers and support staff will ensure prompt responses to enforcement service requests, including those related to parking, property standards, noise complaints and other neighborhood issues.

The Federal Government's National Action Plan to combat auto theft reflects a proactive approach to safeguarding our city. The plan's comprehensive strategies, including legislative changes, enhanced information sharing between all levels of government, and new targeting tools, underscore a collaborative effort to prevent stolen vehicles from leaving the Country.

As summer brings the promise of warmth, outdoor adventures, and cherished moments with loved ones, the City of Brampton continues to pave the way for a vibrant and thriving community. From transit enhancements and community safety measures to initiatives supporting the well-being of its senior population, Brampton remains steadfast in its commitment to creating a welcoming and enriching environment for all.

Rod Power

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HAVE YOUR SAY ON SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES

Brampton's current winter maintenance service contract for roads, sidewalks and transit stops is being renewed.

Residents are invited to take this important survey because the outcome may change taxes for all households, although not all households will receive the services.

- It would cost about \$2.6 million, an average of \$12 per year, per household in property taxes to clear sidewalks.
- It would cost about \$19.6 million, an average of \$86 per year, per household in property taxes to clear windrows (snow ridges left by snowplows) from driveways.

To take the survey visit brampton.ca/engage

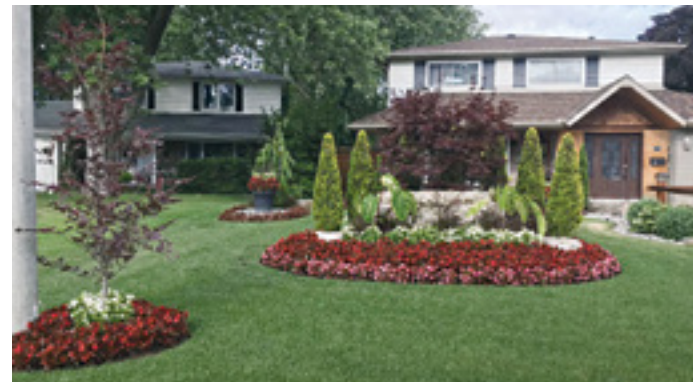


COMBATting AUTO THEFT

In recent years, auto thefts have dramatically increased, prompting Brampton to advocate for stronger measures to protect its residents.

As a result, in May 2024, the Federal Government introduced the National Action Plan on Combatting Auto Theft, which identifies various measures, such as improving security and monitoring at Canadian ports, that can be implemented by the Federal, Provincial and Territorial governments.

To assist residents from auto thefts, the City is expanding its giveaway of signal blocking pouches, which may prevent relay attacks by blocking the signal from vehicle key FOBs. Residents can request a free pouch, generously sponsored by Performance Auto Group, online at letsconnect.brampton.ca/auto-theft



GARDENS OF BRAMPTON PROGRAM

Brampton is home to many front gardens and we know residents take pride in keeping them green and beautiful.

From July 1 to August 1, show us your front garden for a chance to be recognized! The City, in partnership with the Brampton Horticultural Society and Chinguacousy Garden Club, will judge and select the best gardens in Brampton. Those recognized will be announced in September, featured online and will receive a recognition sign. Submission criteria and registration details are available at brampton.ca/parks

HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY, BRAMPTON!

The City of Brampton marked its 50th birthday on January 1, 2024. From a settlement in the early 1800s, to an officially designated city in 1974, Brampton has grown into the ninth largest city in Canada and a dynamic community with a proud past and bright future.

Celebrate this milestone by sharing your most memorable Brampton moments with us. Whether it's a cherished memory, a hidden gem or a transformative moment, share your tales at brampton.ca/Chapter50 or on social media using [#BramptonChapter50](https://twitter.com/BramptonChapter50). Submit your story for a chance to win exclusive 50th branded merchandise!



NEW! FREE RECREATION MEMBERSHIP FOR SENIORS

As a gift to local seniors in celebration of Brampton's 50th birthday, the City is reducing financial barriers and improving access to recreation programs and services.

Beginning June 1, Brampton residents 70 years and older can enjoy a free annual recreation membership. The membership provides access to a wide range of benefits, including complimentary fitness memberships, registered and drop-in programs and more. Visit your nearest Recreation Centre to sign up. Terms and conditions apply. Learn more at brampton.ca/memberships



GOOD NEIGHBOURS, STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Knowing property standard by-laws ensures Brampton remains safe, clean and beautiful for residents and visitors.

- Do not park on the street for more than 3 hours or between 2 and 6 am.
- Keep bike lanes clear.
- Do not overhang your vehicle on sidewalks, the lawn or the street.
- Only park in designated areas and follow all street signs.
- Inoperative, immobile or unlicensed vehicles are prohibited from being parked on a roadway.
- Do not park vehicles taller than 2.6m or longer than 6.7m on residential streets.
- Fire routes must always remain clear.

To request a parking consideration, visit brampton.ca/parking



REGISTERING FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS

Interested in City recreation programs? Follow these simple steps for a successful registration. First, you'll need to create an online account with your personal details and complete credit card information. Once you've created an account, you can use the date range filter to explore upcoming programs. Learn more at brampton.ca/registerforprograms

KNOW WHO TO CALL

There are a variety of services available for residents in times of need.

- Contact 3-1-1 for direct access to all non-emergency municipal government inquiries.
- 2-1-1 connects individuals and families with a range of government, health, community and social services.
- 9-1-1 is for life-threatening emergencies or crimes in progress.

Learn more at 311Brampton.ca



PAYING PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are levied twice a year and residents receive an interim and final notice tax bill. Payment is expected in three instalments and can be made by cheque, debit, in person at a Service Brampton location or your bank, online through a bank's website or via pre-authorized payment plan. Learn more at brampton.ca

PLANNING A WEDDING?

Before getting married in Ontario, you must obtain a marriage licence. Marriage licences can be obtained from the City of Brampton by appointment or by walk-in service. Before you arrive, be sure to complete the online application form, or download and fill out the printable form and bring it with you to City Hall. For more information, visit brampton.ca/marriageservices



GARBAGE AND DEBRIS DISPOSAL

Brampton enforces proper garbage disposal and storage standards to uphold community safety.

- Residents must keep yards clear of debris and stagnant water.
- Peel Region waste carts should be clean and not stored street-facing.
- Collection items can be placed after 7 pm the day before and must be removed by 8 pm on collection day.

Read more at brampton.ca/bylaws



KEEP BRAMPTON CLEAN AND GREEN

We all have a role to play in contributing to a safe and healthy community.

- Lawns should be kept under eight inches and repaired when damaged.
- Yards should be free of dead or damaged trees.
- Trim hedges and shrubs for visibility.
- Permits are required for some accessory structures and driveway widening when a curb cut is being requested.

Learn more at brampton.ca/bylaws



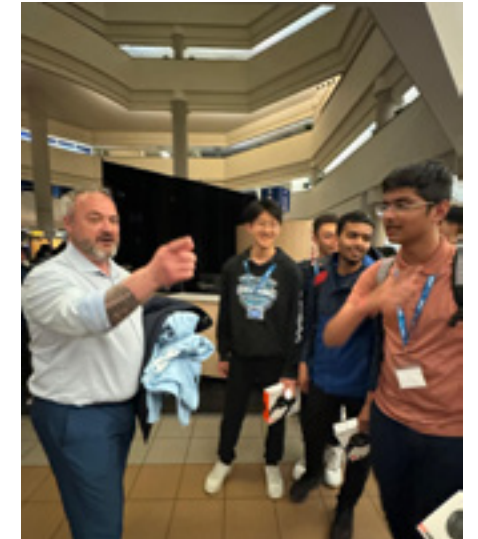
I had the pleasure of welcoming a new business into Brampton; Fine Finish Men's Wear had their grand opening and I'm happy to support small businesses planting roots in our city. (April 2024)



The seniors clubs in Brampton are active and host many celebrations throughout the year. Like always, I was honoured to join the Calderstone Seniors Club in celebrating Vaisakhi, while also discussing updates and changes to local parks in Wards 7 & 8. (April 2024)



Congratulations to Satchidananda Sadhguru Shirdi Sainath Maharaj Mandir on their first anniversary in Brampton. Their dedication to nurturing spirituality, fostering community and promoting engagement has deeply enriched the fabric of our city. It was very special receiving blessings from their leaders and community. (March 2024)



SUPPORTING THE YOUTH PROGRAMS AT OUR COMMUNITY SCHOOL

It is a privilege to be able to contribute to the growth and development of the young minds in our community.



THANK YOU to the incredible team with the William Osler Health System's Volunteer Association. They presented a generous \$100,000 cheque to the hospital! The Volunteer Association is responsible for the operations of variety stores, gift shops, collection drives and seasonal events that play a crucial role in supporting our community's healthcare needs, such as new hospital equipment. (April 2024)



The Toronto Metropolitan University (TMU) marked a significant milestone for the new School of Medicine coming to Brampton. Under the visionary leadership of President Mohamed Lachemi, TMU made a bold commitment to build a new kind of medical school in our city. Elected officials from all three levels of government joined William Osler Health System, partners and community members to unveil their new sign and demonstrate our ongoing commitment and support. I'm looking forward to the 2025 launch! (May 2024)

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

It is always important to reflect on the extraordinary women who have paved the way for future generations and to celebrate the diverse roles and achievements of women around the world.



At the heart of this vibrant urban ecosystem lies a thriving community of locally-owned and operated businesses, each a unique thread woven into the fabric of our city's identity.



TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES FOR SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

To make neighbourhoods safer, the City uses a combination of traffic calming measures to address speeding and reduce excessive traffic volumes.

In 2020, Brampton was one of the first municipalities to implement an Automated Speed Enforcement (ASE) program. The program now has 50 cameras and will expand capacity with a new regional processing centre and 185 more cameras by 2025.

City Council has also designated 180 Community Safety Zones, established speed cushions in 63 locations and a 40 km/hr Neighbourhood Safety Zone pilot in five neighbourhoods.



For a full list of traffic calming measures across the city, scan the QR code.

WARD 7

ASE Camera Locations

- Howden Boulevard
- Balmoral Drive east of Edenborough Drive
- Glenvale Boulevard
- Balmoral Drive east of Braemar Drive
- Maitland Street

Speed Cushion Locations

- Laurelcrest Street
- Cloverdale Drive
- Massey Street
- Hillside Drive
- Maitland Street
- Northampton Street

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ASE Camera Locations

- Gardenbrooke Trail
- Lexington Road
- Gallucci Crescent
- Avondale Boulevard
- Pinestaff Road

Neighbourhood 40km/h pilot location

- Westbrook Avenue

Speed Cushion Locations

- Don Minaker Drive
- Riverstone Drive
- Lexington Road
- Redwillow Road
- Valleycreek Drive
- Jefferson Road
- Greenmount Road

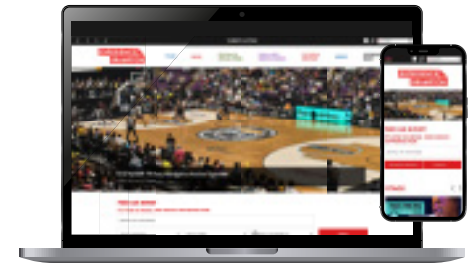
CITY EVENTS

July 18 & August 15 | Mount Pleasant Village Night Market
August 5 | Emancipation Day Celebration
August 21 | Hockey Night in Brampton
September 20 | Garba
Until October 12 | Brampton Farmers' Market
Until November 1 | Parks Cleanup

COMMUNITY EVENTS

July 12 to 14 | Carabram
July 26 to 27 | Vibrant Brampton
July 27 to 28 | ChutneyFEST
August 24 to 25 | Jamaica Day
September 7 to 8 | World of Jazz
September 14 | Latin Festival

This is a selection of events, to see the full list visit [experiencebrampton.ca](https://www.experiencebrampton.ca)



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