



Agincourt Village Community Association

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As our community continues to grow and change so does our AVCA membership. We welcome new neighbours who have chosen our “hidden village” as a place to call home. If you have a new family living next door or across the street from you, please ask them to join by sending an email to avcatoronto@gmail.com. A welcome card will be placed in their mailbox if you let us know that we have an incomer or an incomer whole family! Please share this AVCA November Update to inform others of the happenings in our neighbourhood.

AVCA Backyard Tours

On Sunday, June 22 residents braved the hot weather to enjoy beautiful flowers, shrubs and vegetables growing next door to us in backyards. It was an opportunity to enjoy the hard work of our horticulturalists and to visit with neighbours. Thank you to Richard & Ching, Michelina & Luigi, Antoinetta & Raimondo, Sarah & Johnny and Sharyn & Glenn for sharing their yards with us!

Huntingwood Day Celebration & Bike Ride

On August 16, 2025 cyclists from our neighbourhood as well as from many parts of Toronto joined to celebrate safe cycling lanes on Huntingwood Avenue. A ride led by Sarah Martin exposed many cyclists to our North Scarborough Green Loop and our Huntingwood lanes. For cyclists who cycled from downtown it emphasized that we are uphill from downtown!

AVCA wishes to thank Toronto Cycle for their support in this successful event and the participation of Toronto East Cyclists, Scarborough Cycles and Bike Share. Thank you to our team – Sarah, Johnny, Elli, Virgil, and Richard who mapped out the route, ordered and picked up food as well as organized the event! Fun and exercise was had by all.





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Huntingwood Bike Rides

In the evening throughout the summer a group of neighbourhood adults met to cycle along the Huntingwood Bike Lane between Brimley Road and Birchmount Avenue. These two start and end points were chosen because there is a Tim's at Brimley and a Tim's at Birchmount! Rest points! If you are interested in a little exercise, getting back onto your bicycle and meeting up with neighbours please join us in the Spring! An e-mail invitation will be sent with meet-up location and time!

AVCA Annual General Meeting

On October 22, 2025 around seventy neighbours met to review our past AGM minutes, financial status and to listen to the following speakers:

Carola Perez-Book - Senior Planner in the City of Toronto's Zoning and Committee of Adjustment Section, City Planning Division We learned about the new zoning and by-laws which have changed and influenced living in our neighbourhood.

Kumsa Baker - Director, Community Engagement & Campaigns

Toronto Community Benefits Network. We were informed about the proposal to reimagine the use of the SRT Corridor for the benefit of Scarborough and beyond. This is an initiative led by University of Toronto Scarborough professors and students as well as community members of which AVCA is a part.

Pumpkins in Donalda Park

Halloween was an exciting bewitching evening with Agincourt parents and children strolling in the neighbourhood dressed in costume and receiving treats. Our streets were alive! Thank you to everyone who decorated and shelled out! We extended the fun to Saturday, November 1 when we paraded our pumpkins to Donalda Park, lit the jack-o-lanterns and feasted on hot chocolate and goodies. Thank you to Cleveland Gervais who organized this year's event!



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Changes in Our Community

As you are aware zoning has been changed to allow Multiplexes, Garden Suites, and Fourplexes on our neighbourhood streets. Sixplexes are not allowed on our community streets in our Ward 22. The Retail & Services item on community streets was on the recent City Council Agenda and after much discussion this has been allowed in Old Toronto and East York wards as well as on major streets throughout Toronto. Councillor Mantas was able to successfully remove Huntingwood Avenue as a major street. Other major streets in suburban communities were also removed.

Good News – AVCA Winners

Names were drawn at our October 22, 2025 AGM and the following AVCA members won \$50 Gift Certificates!



Mona & Daughter
At Minh's



Four Neighbours
Husbands Sharing in Winnings



Elaina & Sharyn
At Perfect Chinese

It is wonderful to see the winners share with their families as they look like they enjoyed a meal at two local restaurants! As Ernie McCullough mentioned at our AGM we have many new restaurants in the Sheppard East Village BIA along Sheppard Avenue between Midland Avenue and Markham Road.

\$50 Gift Certificates

AVCA members are encouraged to shop or use a service on Sheppard Avenue between Midland Avenue to Markham Road. Thank you to the businesses of Sheppard East Village BIA for supporting AVCA. Ernie McCullough has given more \$50 Gift Certificates to AVCA to be distributed to lucky members throughout 2026. It could be you if you are a paid 2026 member!

Thank you Sheppard East Village BIA!



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The Delta

As of October 31, 2025 all clients at The Delta have been housed or offered relocation at another shelter. With the support of Homes First, City of Toronto and 42 Division a smooth transition was realized. The owner of the hotel has begun renovations with the aim to complete the process by Spring 2026.

Sheppard Subway Extension

AVCA continues to support the Business Case for extending the “subway” from Don Mills to connect to the new McCowan subway station and perhaps go further to connect to the Toronto Zoo and the Rouge Urban National Park! Even more importantly - it would serve so many people needing improved public transit in Northeast Scarborough. Our AVCA letter was on the Metrolinx Board Meeting agenda in September 2025 and AVCA is adamant that funding is needed now from the provincial budget as the subway was mentioned to be “moved along” in the November Provincial Financial Update. You can help by sending an email to MPP Aris Babikian at aris.babikian@pc.ola.org.

Please join our fight for improved Public Transit on Sheppard Avenue!
Sign up at: **TheSSAC.com**

Bike Share

Our Ward was the last to receive bikes that can be rented from various installations and used to cycle from one installation to another. In our neighbourhood you will see them on Huntingwood Avenue, North Scarborough Green Loop, Village Green Square and YES NOW at Agincourt GO Station. You can rent a bike and cycle to the Scarborough Town Centre or even downtown Toronto! For more information about how to access the Bike Share App go to: <https://bikesharetoronto.com>.

Agincourt Noise Walls

AVCA continues to request more information from Metrolinx regarding the inadequate noise walls on the Stouffville Corridor between Marilyn to Finch. Our discussions are now at the arbitration stage. The AVCA Executive feel there are remaining deficiencies in Agincourt that have not been addressed.



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Agincourt GO Station

The Stouffville Corridor GO trains have been increased! Check the Agincourt GO Station schedule for exact times! Lack of weekday parking is a HUGE issue at the station. Please forward your parking complaints to www.metrolinx.com and click on Contact Us. Please also email your go transit or station concerns to torontoeast@metrolinx.com. The locked bike room is now open to anyone wanting to pay \$50 per year for access to the secure bike room. Go to www.go transit.com to register. AVCA is still working to have the station open for longer hours, open the South Tunnel, and improve lighting in the pathways to the station on the north end. Should you encounter a safety issue at the station press the *Help Buttons* or text *HELP* to 77777.

How to Pay Your AVCA 2026 Membership

As previously decided AVCA requests \$20 per household per year. These monies pay for meeting room rentals, printing of flyers, business cards, signage, website host, events and various expenses. As AVCA is non-profit, should there be excess monies, donations would be made to charitable organizations or spent on public spaces within our community.

Please help by paying your 2026 membership if you did not pay at the AGM. Cash or cheque *payable to Agincourt Village Community Association* can be dropped off to President Rhoda Potter, 38 Agincourt Drive, Scarborough M1S 1M3.

NEW: Your \$20 membership can now be e-transferred to avcatoronto@gmail.com.

You will receive a 2026 membership card if we have your address and your name is entered into the \$50 Gift Certificate Draw.

Reporting Illegal Street Parking

In Toronto unless drivers have a permit for street parking there is a three-hour limit for parking on the street. Due to the overflow of parked cars from the full Agincourt GO Station parking lot, residents are noticing cars parked on the streets for more than three hours. As mentioned above complaints can be made to Metrolinx however reporting to the Parking Enforcement will raise the issue of the need for increased parking spaces at Agincourt GO Station. Data from parking complaints might encourage Metrolinx to realize the need for more parking spaces. ***Please report the license plate, car type and the time of day to the Parking Enforcement at 416 808 6600.***



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311, 211, 911 Reporting

Help keep our community safe – if you see something say something!

- 911 to Police for emergencies
- Non-Emergencies call 416-808-2222
- Parking Enforcement 416- 808-6600
- 311 – Municipal complaints ie garbage, encampments, long grass, unlicensed multitenant houses
- 211 – for Mental Health concerns
- You can also report online, and you can call Crime Stoppers Anonymously

42 Police Division has shared the “Community Guide to Report a Person Missing”.

The guide is available in digital format in the link: <https://www.tps.ca/missing/>

WhatsApp AVCA Neighbourhood Watch

We are fortunate to have members who participate in our WhatsApp AVCA Neighbourhood Watch. To join send an email to avcatoronto@gmail.com and include your cell number.

AVCA Executive and AVCA Website

The AVCA Executive is working on behalf of our community as various changes, issues and impacts arise. Check out our website at www.avcatoronto.ca. Please contact the Executive at avcatoronto@gmail.com with any suggestions, questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support of AVCA!