



York North database contributes to province-wide website listing over 56,000 social service programs for Ontario residents

NEWMARKET, Ontario, June 19, 2008 — Members of the York North Community Information & Volunteer Database – East Gwillimbury Public Library, Georgina Public Libraries, Newmarket Public Library, and Whitchurch-Stouffville Library – today announced their contribution to the recently launched 211Ontario.ca website, a directory funded by the Ontario government that provides information on social services and programs throughout Ontario.

211Ontario.ca is a simple, straightforward directory that can be searched by keyword, category and region. It lets people living anywhere in Ontario find out about social services in other communities. An individual living in Thunder Bay, for example, will be able to search the directory to find a Meals on Wheels program for a parent living in Newmarket.

“We are pleased to be the data partner in northern York Region for 211Ontario.ca,” says Jennifer Leveridge, Community Services Librarian at Newmarket Public Library. “Everyone connected with the York North Community Information & Volunteer Database works diligently to update and maintain hundreds of local records, including those for social services that 211Ontario.ca lists for the benefit of people living throughout the province.”

The York North Community Information & Volunteer Database (<http://yorknorth.cioc.ca>) contains authoritative information on over 1,500 community records for government social services, as well as service clubs and non-profit organizations (i.e. charities, sports clubs, hobby groups, book clubs, and more). It also provides information for volunteers looking to contribute their time and skills to local non-profit organizations.

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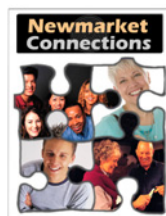
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