

Stay Connected

Fall 2017

Welcome to the inaugural edition of *Stay Connected*, an annual City of Mississauga newsletter providing residents with relevant information on: what's going on in your community, upcoming events and programs, important city issues, and updates on exciting projects that are transforming Mississauga.

If you would like to receive updates more frequently, subscribe to the City's monthly digital e-newsletter at sau.ga/101

Hurontario Light Rail Transit Project

The Hurontario Light Rail Transit (LRT) Project will bring 20 kilometres of fast, reliable, rapid transit to the cities of Mississauga and Brampton along the Hurontario corridor. New, modern Alstom light rail vehicles will travel in a dedicated right-of-way and serve 22 stops with connections to GO Transit's Milton and Lakeshore West rail lines, Mississauga MiWay, Brampton Züm, and the Mississauga Transitway.

The project is funded through \$1.4 billion from the Province of Ontario and will be publicly owned by Metrolinx. It will help transform Hurontario Street into a vibrant people-oriented corridor connecting communities and accommodating anticipated growth. Project construction is scheduled to begin in late 2018 with final completion planned in 2022.

Follow the project at sau.ga/102



ARTIST RENDERING

Take Part in the 2018 Budget

Mississauga's annual Business Plan and Budget detail how the City intends to spend taxpayer money to deliver the services that residents expect. Business planning and budgeting ensure our resources are spent wisely.

The City's 2017 operating budget is approximately \$760 million. Of that, about \$460 million came from property taxes in 2017. These funds go toward services such as transit, roads, recreation programs and parks.

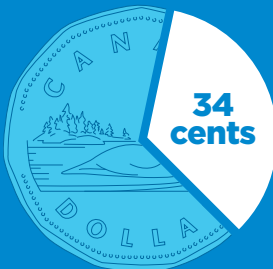
Check out the proposed 2018 Business Plan and Budget online starting mid-November. Learn more at sau.ga/103 and try the budget allocator tool.

With just 34 cents of every tax dollar received, Mississauga provides transit, roads, parks, fire stations, libraries and more



2018 budget

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Ontario 55+ Summer Games Coming to Mississauga

From August 10 to 12, 2018, the City of Mississauga will host the 2018 Ontario 55+ Summer Games. The City will welcome more than 1,400 participants and officials from across Ontario, along with many spectators and visitors. The Games are a celebration of active living, uniting participants 55 and older in a multi-sport environment. Events include cycling, slo-pitch, pickleball, swimming, golf, tennis, bocce, lawn bowling and dart competitions.

The Games will require close to 400 volunteers, with volunteer recruitment beginning early in 2018. For more information, visit sau.ga/104



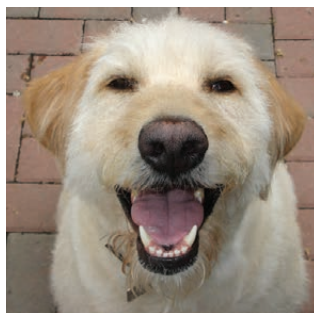
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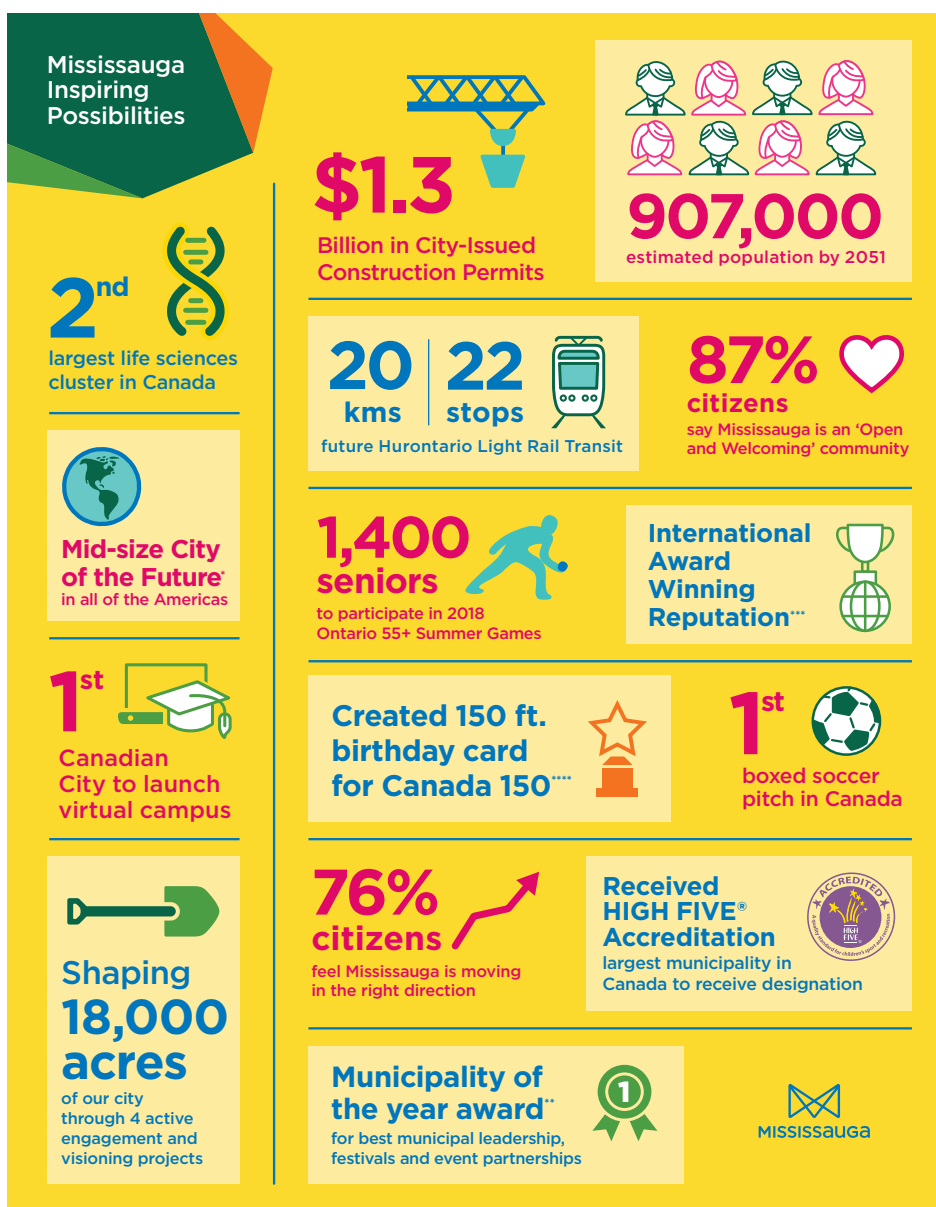
Animal Services

The Adoption Option

Companion animals are more than pets, to many of us they are members of the family. Adopting a pet can be a rewarding experience and Animal Services has many pets to choose from including: cats, dogs, birds, rabbits, and a variety of pocket pets such as guinea pigs and hamsters. Adopting is not only rewarding, but can also save you money as dogs and cats are already spayed, neutered, dewormed, licensed and microchipped. Animal Services has new adoption fee options, making adoption even more affordable, and helping to support the shelter's 100% adoption rate.



For more information on pet adoption, visit sau.ga/105



*2017/18 in all of the Americas awarded by Foreign Direct Investment Magazine

Awarded by Festivals and Events Ontario *2017 Place Marketing Forum Laureate Award

****Guinness World Record for longest greeting card attempted on June 27, 2017. Application pending.

Danville Park Offers Residents Unique Recreational Experiences

At the end of September, the City of Mississauga opened its newest destination park—Danville Park. This 27-hectare (67-acre) park provides a number of recreational features that complement the area's unique topography. These include:

- two international-sized cricket pitches suitable for tournament play;
- a toboggan hill;
- pedestrian and cycling pathways; and
- *Final Approach Danville Terminal*, an aviation-themed area created in partnership with the Greater Toronto Airports Authority for those interested in watching planes take off and land at Toronto Pearson International Airport.



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The aviation-themed area includes aeronautical design elements chosen by residents, as well as a sleek overhead airplane, painted runway, informational plaques and pinnacle posts denoting runway lighting. To learn more, visit sau.ga/106

A Canada 150 Legacy Conference at the Council House

The official unveiling of *Conference at the Council House*, a permanent public art sculpture by Hadley Howes & Maxwell Stephens (Studio of Received Ideas), will be held in November at Mississauga Celebration Square.

An important Canada 150 legacy, the artwork highlights the area's rich Indigenous history. It features a replica of the Council House tower, built 132 years ago, on the Mississaugas of the New Credit First Nation Reserve in Hagersville. Bronze birds will be placed around the tower to signify Mississauga's diverse community.

The project is supported through a contribution of \$199,000 from the Department of Canadian Heritage. Ce projet a été rendu possible partie grâce au gouvernement du Canada.



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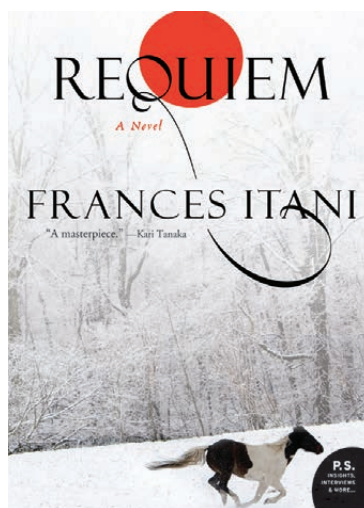


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For more information about the final Canada 150 events of the year including Light up the Square, visit sau.ga/107

“One Book, One Mississauga” Celebrates Canada

The Mississauga Library System launched a city-wide book club called “One Book, One Mississauga” in 2017 to celebrate Canada’s 150th birthday with funding provided by the Friends of the Mississauga Library System. Chosen by a selection committee, Frances Itani’s “Requiem” is a truly masterful book that blends the beauty of Canada’s landscape with the depth of its history and the strength of its people. The Library encourages everyone to pick up a copy of the book at your local library or download an electronic copy of the book to share in this collective reading experience. The author of the book will visit the Lorne Park Library on November 9.



To register, please call
905-615-4845 as space is limited.

For more details, visit sau.ga/108



Mississauga Transitway Completing the Transit Corridor

This year marks the completion of construction on the final stage of the Mississauga Transitway—the last piece in the 18-kilometre, 12 station dedicated bus corridor spanning Mississauga from Winston Churchill Boulevard in the west to Renforth Drive in the east.

The final Metrolinx-built station, Renforth, is scheduled to open in fall 2017 and serve as a hub for MiWay and other transit systems to connect neighbouring municipalities to Mississauga and Toronto Pearson International Airport. This September, GO Transit began travelling on the east segment of the transitway from Skymark Hub (Airport Corporate Centre), stopping at Dixie Transitway Station before continuing on to the Square One Go Bus Terminal. In 2018, MiWay will continue to expand services on the transitway through the MiWay Five Transit Service Plan (2016-2020). Learn more at sau.ga/109



Mississauga

A Great Place to Call Home

The 2017 Citizen Satisfaction Survey results are in and Mississauga continues to receive high marks from citizens for overall quality of life as well as pride in the city. The results indicate 89 per cent of citizens rate the quality of life in Mississauga as excellent or good while 87 per cent agreed that Mississauga is an open and welcoming community.

View the full results at sau.ga/110

89% rate quality of life as excellent or good.

87% agree that Mississauga is an open and welcoming community

84% of respondents indicated they are proud to say they are from Mississauga

76% agree that Mississauga is moving in the right direction to ensure it is a dynamic and beautiful global city



Wali Shah 2017-2019 Mississauga Poet Laureate

The Mississauga Poet Laureate program identifies a poet or spoken word artist who has been recognized for their contributions to the literary arts community. The program supports the City's commitment to further arts within Mississauga.



Wali Shah is Mississauga's 2017 Poet Laureate. Selected as one of Canada's Top 20-Under-20 in 2014, Wali Shah is a highly acclaimed Canadian speaker and poet. He is currently a student at the University of Toronto - Mississauga campus. Wali has a focus and goal of providing a progressive, diverse and youthful voice that represents Mississauga's vibrant energy.

You can see Wali November 10th at the Civic Centre Community Memorial Remembrance Day Ceremony. He will recite an original poem written alongside Rebecca Zseder, Mississauga's Youth Poet Laureate.

For upcoming events, visit sau.ga/111

The Starter Company PLUS Program Launches in Mississauga

The Mississauga Business Enterprise Centre (MBEC) is now delivering the Starter Company PLUS Program in Mississauga. This new program will provide business training, mentoring and the opportunity to apply for a grant of up to \$5,000 for participants 18 and older interested in starting, growing or purchasing a small business. The Starter Company PLUS program is a new addition to the existing business programs at MBEC. It is funded primarily by the Government of Ontario.

For more information, visit sau.ga/112



Emergency Wireless Alert Ready System Coming to Mississauga



In times of an emergency it's important that you have the information you need to keep your family safe.

The Emergency Wireless Alert Ready System, launching in Canada spring 2018, will send alerts on potential events that may impact the safety of people, property, or the environment to anyone with access to an LTE network on their smartphone. Alerts will feature a banner notification and special tone and vibration to distinguish them from regular notifications. The system uses location services to deliver alerts tailored to the user's location.

Wireless Alerts will not replace existing alerting systems or the need for individual preparedness. It is important to continue to follow City alerts, news outlets, and to remain aware of local conditions as emergency situations progress. Learn how to be prepared at sau.ga/113



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