

## New Pedestrian Trail Officially Opens in DUKE Heights BIA!

We are proud to announce the official opening of the DUKE Heights BIA Pedestrian Trail, a transformative community initiative developed in collaboration with the City of Toronto. The unveiling ceremony was held on May 28, 2025 with the presence of the BIA Board of Directors, Toronto City Councillors James Pasternak and Anthony Perruzza, alongside other City officials. This project has turned previously vacant land into a vibrant, green, and walkable space for the entire community.

### Trail Highlights:

- Location: East side of Allen Road, from Sheppard Avenue West to Rimrock Road. [Click here to see the map](#)
- Length: 757 metres of environmentally sustainable, park-like trail
- Features: New benches, trees, and permeable paving
- Transit Access: Enhanced connectivity to Sheppard West Station

Come explore and experience this new addition to our neighbourhood!



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## Join us on June 27 at Fountainhead Park for the DUKE Eats Festival!

The DUKE Eats Festival is back on Friday, June 27 at Fountainhead Park (445 Sentinel Rd)! Enjoy delicious eats from Toronto food trucks and BIA food vendors and manufacturers, plus live DJ, family games, crafts, giveaways & more! Free entry – everyone is welcome!

- Friday, June 27, 2025
- 6–8:30 PM
- Fountainhead Park (445 Sentinel Rd)



## ShopDUKEHeights2Win – Final Draws are Tomorrow!

Since launching on May 5, the ShopDUKEHeights2Win contest has brought excitement to the community with five weekly draws completed so far. Each week, one lucky shopper and one local business have each won \$500!

Congratulations to our first five BIA business winners:

- VMV's Bar & Grill
- Troyka Gifts & Books Store
- Health Club Wellness Clinic
- Cuties Nails Spa
- Coppa's Fresh Market

The final draw is set to take place tomorrow, June 17, to determine the winners of last week's lucky BIA business and shoppers—each receiving the final weekly prize of \$500—and one lucky shopper who will take home the \$1,500 grand prize. Winners will be announced on our official Facebook and Instagram pages.

Thanks to our valued BIA members and their customers for supporting local shopping in DUKE Heights!



## Enhance Your Digital Presence with BIA-Supported Advertising

## Free Accounting Consultation for BIA Members

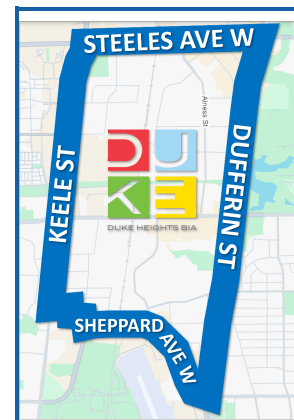
## Get Your Vacant Property Listed for Free – Members Only

## Councillor's Corner: James Pasternak

## Councillor's Corner: Anthony Perruzza

## Photo of the Month

## Upcoming Events and Webinars



DUKE Heights BIA, spanning Dufferin to Keele and Steeles to Sheppard, supports businesses with a vision to drive growth, attract investment, and advocate for the local business community.





[Shop DUKE Heights 2 Win Contest Website](#)



## A Message from Live Nation Canada

*We are incredibly proud to be opening Rogers Stadium at the end of this month. We will be hosting our first concert on June 29.*

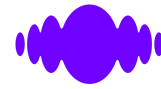
*A full list of concert dates is provided on our Rogers Stadium website which you can visit at <https://www.rogers-stadium.com/shows>. This website is updated regularly and contains the most up to date information on what people can expect.*

*We are currently building a visitor's guide for Rogers Stadium, and we are looking to list restaurants that people can order from when on site. If you would like your restaurant included in this guide, please email your information to [RogersStadium@livenation.com](mailto:RogersStadium@livenation.com)*

*Thank you,*

*Shabnum Durrani  
Vice President, Public Affairs  
Live Nation Canada*

updates from the City of Toronto: [www.toronto.ca/news](http://www.toronto.ca/news)



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**Telus #StandWithOwners Small Business Contest is Open**

#StandWithOwners, Canada's biggest small business contest, is back. The contest offers entrepreneurs the chance to win \$200,000 in funding, technology, and exposure to help take their businesses to the next level.

In 2025, the campaign celebrates entrepreneurs who have "Made it in Canada", those who have built their businesses locally and are driving meaningful impact across communities, both at home and abroad. A total of 35 owners will be recognized through the following:

- 5 grand prize winner packages (each valued at \$200,000)
- 15 additional winner packages (each valued at \$20,000)
- 15 owner spotlights, receiving exposure through TELUS Business social media channels

The contest runs from June 3, 2025, to September 3, 2025. Full details are available at: [telus.com/StandWithOwners](https://telus.com/StandWithOwners).

[Apply now](#)



### Love Local this Summerlicious, July 4-20

Summerlicious is back — and it's the perfect time to show love for Toronto's local food scene. With over 220 restaurants offering three-course prix fixe menus, it's your chance to savour the city while supporting the spots that make it special. Take a taste of Toronto. Try something new, return to an old favourite, and Love Local with every bite. Find details at [www.toronto.ca/summerlicious](https://www.toronto.ca/summerlicious).

[Learn More](#)

### Targeted AI Tools for Business Success



### Empowering Business Through Artificial Intelligence – Targeted tools to help your business succeed

The reaction to Artificial Intelligence (AI) often ranges from dismissal to real fear. There is no question however that AI is

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### Save \$2,400 on Your Plan – Limited Time Offer!

This offer is only valid for contracts with a duration of one year or more. Phone: (647) 259-7759; Email: [info@sleeplessatrest.com](mailto:info@sleeplessatrest.com); Address: 61 Alness St.

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### Do you have a Perk?



transforming the business landscape, and it is rapidly becoming a fundamental component to the success of the modern small businesses. History has shown us that businesses which are unwilling or incapable of adopting innovative technology often find themselves at a significant disadvantage to those which leverage technology effectively. [...]

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### Is Your Business Listed in the DUKE Heights BIA Business Directory?

If your business is new to the area, not yet listed, or if your current listing needs an update in the DUKE Heights BIA Business Directory, please visit [dukeheights.ca/explore](https://dukeheights.ca/explore) and click on the "Add Your Business" tab to submit your new or revised information.

[Business Directory](#)



### Schedule a Savings Discussion - DUKE Heights BIA

Looking to reduce your everyday business operating expenses? Speak with a Savings Specialist free of charge, courtesy of DUKE Heights BIA. Explore how you can cut expenses by up to 50%.

**Expense Defence** offers a free, no-obligation savings analysis across six key expense categories, including Payment Processing, Telecom (Mobile & Landline), Internet, Cable, and Monitored Security. Their experts are available to help you identify cost-saving opportunities tailored to your unique needs.

Book a 15-minute consultation today and receive your detailed Savings Analysis and Benchmark Report within just a week. Don't miss this chance to uncover real savings for your business!

Do you want to promote your business to fellow members and their employees?  
Provide an exclusive offer at [dukeheights.ca/submit-perk-form/](https://dukeheights.ca/submit-perk-form/) by filling out a short form!



### Report a Pothole

Please notify the City of Toronto of any existing or potential hazard from road damage in or around your area via the [311 Toronto mobile app](https://311.toronto.ca/), online at [toronto.ca/311](https://toronto.ca/311), or by calling 311. To learn more, visit the City website at [Potholes - City of Toronto](https://potholes-cityoftoronto.com/).

[Click Here to Schedule Your Appointment](#)



FREE SECURITY  
SERVICES  
FOR BIA MEMBERS

### **BIA's Exclusive Security Services – At No Cost to Members**

Businesses within the DUKE Heights BIA are invited to take advantage of exclusive, complimentary security services provided by Best Guard Security under the supervision of the BIA team. To learn more and enroll, members are encouraged to complete the Security Signup Form. <https://dukeheights.ca/security-services/>.

[Security Signup Form](#)



EXCLUSIVE  
FREE BILLBOARD AD  
FOR MEMBERS

### **Members Get 4 Weeks of Complimentary Digital Billboard Advertising**

Looking to increase your business visibility? Secure a free slot in a shared spot on Pattison's Outdoor Digital Billboard at the Dufferin St and Finch Ave W intersection. You'll share a spot with fellow BIA businesses and Your ad will be displayed multiple times each day for 4 weeks, reaching thousands of commuters. Reserve your space by filling out the Expression of Interest Form below.

[Expression of Interest Form](#)



FREE DIGITAL AD  
FOR MEMBERS

### **Enhance Your Digital Presence with BIA-Supported Advertising**

Whether you're new to online advertising or looking to boost your

business's online visibility, DUKE Heights BIA has a program tailored for members. Get up to 4 weeks of complimentary online and social media advertising. Use the link below to complete the Expression of Interest Form and reserve your spot.

[Expression of Interest Form](#)



**SCHEDULE A FREE  
ACCOUNTING  
CONSULTATION**

### **Free Accounting Consultation for Members**

Introduced with the goal to assist businesses in financial planning and applying for government support programs, this BIA service offers members a FREE consultation with a registered accounting firm to guide them in resolving any finance or funding questions.

[Schedule a Free Consultation Now](#)



**LIST AND SEARCH  
VACANT PROPERTIES  
IN  
DUKE HEIGHTS BIA**

### **Get Your Vacant Property Listed for Free – Members Only!**

Properties available for sale or lease within the DUKE Heights BIA are listed on the BIA website. BIA members looking to showcase their vacant properties at no charge on the listing are encouraged to get in touch with us. Please reach out via email at [info@dukeheights.ca](mailto:info@dukeheights.ca).

[Find out More](#)



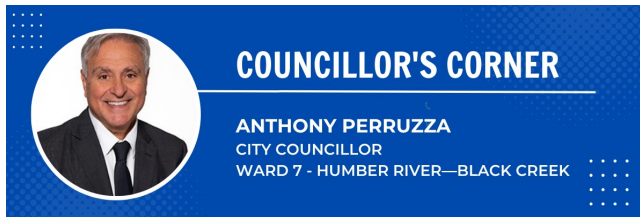
**JAMES PASTERNAK**  
CITY COUNCILLOR  
WARD 6 - YORK CENTRE

**James Pasternak**

## Toronto City Councillor – Ward 6 York Centre

We continue to work with City Staff on mitigating the potential economic and employment impact of Bill 97 and Official Plan Amendment 804 for Employment Areas. During a period of economic crisis, it is vital to support our local businesses and ensure that forthcoming land use and zoning policies do not limit our city's growth and productivity. DUKE Heights BIA is a key contributor to our employment and business sectors, and its operations must continue to run smoothly. [...]

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### Anthony Perruzza

## Toronto City Councillor – Ward 7 Humber River-Black Creek

Happy June! As we coast through the warmer months, I hope you are all taking time to enjoy the valuable outdoor spaces our community has to offer. Also, there are some exciting amenities on the way!

The City of Toronto is in the process of consulting residents on changes to local Fountainhead Park. I was happy to connect with folks at a consultation meeting on June 3rd regarding exciting changes including a new skating rink, trail and more! [...]

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## Discover DUKE: Photo of the Month

The photograph above is one of the finalists from the Discover DUKE 2024 Photo Contest, held in August 2024.

Photographer: Lukas Rubenyan

Photo Title: Reaching for the Sky

Photo Location: The Heights, Keele St / Finch Ave W Median



### **Optimizing for Search Engines: Understanding SEO Basics - Webinar by Digital Main Street**

June 17, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **Canada Dental Care Plan, Disability, & Retirement Pensions - Webinar by Service Canada**

June 18, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. [Register here](#)



### **Pay and Get Paid - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

June 19, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **Privacy and Your Business: An Introduction to PIPEDA - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

June 20, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **Email Marketing - Webinar by Digital Main Street**

June 24, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **How Rise Can Help Entrepreneurs Understand Credit and Lending - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

June 25, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **Why Financial Ratios Matter: How to Know if You're Turning a Profit - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

June 26, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **International Trade - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

June 27, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. [Register here](#)



### **T2 Corporation Tax Literacy - Webinar by Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

July 2, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. [Register here](#)



**T1 General Small Business Tax Literacy -  
Webinar by Toronto Small Business  
Enterprise Centre**

July 4, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. [Register here](#)



**Insurance for Small Business - Webinar by  
Toronto Small Business Enterprise Centre**

July 9, 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. [Register here](#)



**Social Media for Small Business - Webinar  
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