CONNECTED COMMUNITIES

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Connected Communities is the quarterly newsletter from the City of Brampton's Community Safety & Well-Being Office (CSWO). For past editions, visit brampton.ca/communitysafety

NOVEMBER IS COMMUNITY SAFETY MONTH!

Stay Connected. Stand Empowered.

Following the success of Brampton's first-ever Community Safety Month last year, CSWO is once again hosting a variety of special events and initiatives throughout November. These activities will connect residents with tools, tips and resources that support safety and well-being, help build stronger neighbourhoods and raise awareness of issues, programs and services that contribute to a safer Brampton. This year also marks CSWO's fifth anniversary of advancing community safety and well-being in Brampton!

Attend a pop-up

CSWO will host a series of pop-ups across the city where residents are encouraged to drop by, meet community safety experts, ask questions and learn about Brampton's Community Safety Action Plan.

View the schedule of events at brampton.ca/communitysafetymonth!

Network with Neighbours Workshop

Members of Brampton's Affiliated Neighbourhood Associations are invited to attend this annual workshop to connect with other neighbourhood association leaders, learn about topics affecting neighbourhoods and discover the latest CSWO initiatives.

New City Safety Programs

New initiatives launching during this year's Community Safety Month include:

- **CSWO's Volunteer Program:** CSWO is recruiting volunteers to support community safety initiatives and provide residents with meaningful opportunities to contribute to safer, more connected neighbourhoods.
- **Let's Talk Safety Walks:** Resident groups can request CSWO staff visit their neighbourhood to discuss and explore local safety concerns and identify factors that influence perceptions of safety.

To learn more about all Community Safety Month initiatives, visit brampton.ca/communitysafetymonth!



Visit CSWO staff at one of the pop-up locations to share your safety concerns!

Important Dates*

November 2	Advance Brampton Fund Information Session 1
November 3	Community Safety Month Pop-up at Claireville Branch Library
November 7	Community Safety Month Pop-up at Walmart Supercentre (Mississauga Rd. and Williams Pkwy.)
November 8	Diwali Mela at Sesquicentennial Park
November 10	Advance Brampton Fund Information Session 2
November 14	Neighbourhood Association Workshop at City Hall (by invitation only)
November 14	Advance Brampton Fund Information Session 3
November 19	Community Safety Month Pop-up at South West Branch Library
November 22	Community Safety Month Pop-up at Gore Meadows Community Centre and Library
November 25	Community Safety Month Pop-up at Sheridan College - Davis Campus
November 28	Winter Festival of Lights in Downtown Brampton

**These are just a sample of events that directly relate to CSWO. A full list of City events is available at: brampton.ca/events. Dates and locations are subject to change.*



Join CSWO's volunteer team.

CSWO LAUNCHES VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Are you seeking volunteer opportunities to gain valuable work experience, meet new people, or contribute to your community? Apply to become a CSWO Volunteer! Currently, there are two opportunities available:

1. **CSWO Events and Workshops Volunteers** support event logistics and help create positive participant experiences. This role is ideal for residents interested in community safety and contributing to the successful delivery of community programs and events.

2. **CSWO Public Engagement and Outreach Volunteers** support community outreach and public engagement activities. This role is ideal for residents who enjoy connecting with others, building relationships and supporting community engagement initiatives.

All CSWO volunteers will:

- Help the community by supporting positive changes and improving quality of life for residents.
- Develop professional skills and gain practical experience in a municipal government environment.
- Gain networking opportunities to support future educational, employment and leadership development.
- Learn about community resources and tools available across the city.

If you are interested in becoming a CSWO volunteer, visit **brampton.ca/communitysafety** or email **cswo@brampton.ca**.

WEATHER READY, NEIGHBOUR FRIENDLY

As the seasons change, it's time to prepare your home for fall and winter. The *Hello Neighbour: A Guide to Safer Homes and Community* provides simple, practical tips on how to be a good neighbour while strengthening the security of your home and property. The online guide is now available in Gujarati, Hindi, Punjabi and Urdu!

Some easy-to-follow tips on preparing and maintaining your property through the fall and winter months include:

- Keep walkways, entrances and house numbers clear of leaves, snow and ice.
- Ensure all exterior lighting is free of snow and ice.
- Inspect locks, gutters and cameras.
- Keep emergency supplies stocked and contact numbers updated.
- Ask your neighbours to collect your packages and mail if you will be away.

Taking these simple steps can help maintain a safer home and neighbourhood. To download the guide, visit **brampton.ca/communitysafety**



Faith leaders participate in discussions at the 2026 Annual Faith Leaders Meeting.

COUNTERING HATE CRIMES PRESENTATION AVAILABLE FOR GROUPS

Fostering understanding, preventing hate and building a stronger community

Hate-motivated crimes and incidents have a significant impact on the victim and the broader community. They can affect a person's well-being and sense of safety, and contribute to feelings of fear and isolation. To create a warmer, healthier and more inclusive environment, CSWO collaborates with Peel Regional Police and community partners to provide awareness about countering hate in the community. Residents can learn about hate crimes, how to report them and the many community resources and supports available to help.

CSWO offers a free Countering Hate Crimes presentation to community groups. To learn more or request a presentation, email **cswo@brampton.ca**.