

**Stouffville** 

2023







### 2023 residents' guide

Flip through these pages and you'll find jumping off points for anything and everything that Stouffville has to offer you and your family. Keep reading to learn all about your essential services, fun stuff to do, ways to support local, and more!

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## A step **back** in time...

**Comprising over 200 square kilometers of lush forest and farmland, our home** was created as a governmental entity in 1971 when the Township of Whitchurch, the Village of Stouffville, and a portion of the Township of Markham, consolidated into what we today call Whitchurch-Stouffville. But our history goes back much further than that.

#### Over 500 years ago

A Wendat village spanning 3 hectares of land with a population of about 1,700 people was uncovered by archaeologists in 2002. Known initially as the Mantle Site, it was renamed the Jean-Baptiste Lainé Site in honour of a decorated Second World War Wendat veteran. Other significant late precontact Wendat village sites have been located in Whitchurch-Stouffville, including the "Ratcliff" or "Baker Hill" site on Highway 48, and the "Old Fort" or "Aurora" site on Kennedy Road.

#### 1792

Whitchurch Township was created in 1792 as one of ten townships in York County. It was named in honour of the village of Whitchurch, Herefordshire in England, where Elizabeth, the wife of Upper Canada Lieutenant Governor Sir John Graves Simcoe, was born. The first European settlements in Whitchurch Township were established in the 1790s.

#### Until 1794

Early settlers recorded the use of at least three Indigenous trail systems – one of which paralleled what is now Yonge Street. A second trail, Vandorf Trail, ran from the Rouge system to Newmarket and through Holland Landing. The third trail, Rouge Trail, ran northwest from Musselman's Lake.

#### 1804

A caravan consisting of the Stouffer and Reesor families arrived in the Whitchurch area from Pennsylvania. Peter Reesor's family settled in the Markham area, while his sister, Elizabeth, and her husband Abraham Stouffer, followed Duffin's Creek slightly north to what is now Stouffville.

#### 1832

The first post office was established in then-called Stoufferville by the federal government, which then officially named the settlement "Stouffville."

#### 1850

With the implementation of the *Baldwin Act*, the Township of Whitchurch became an organized municipal government.

#### 1871 - 1890

Rapid growth occurred within 20 years near the end of the 19th century as the earliest railway - the Toronto & Nipissing - reaches the community of Stouffville in 1871. The town's first library is built in 1877 and electricity arrives in 1890. Downtown Stouffville's iconic Daley's Hall is erected in 1885 at the corner of Market Street and Main Street.

#### 1923

The Williams Treaties are signed by the governments of Canada, Ontario, and 7 First Nations, including Alderville, Chippewas of Beausoleil, Chippewas of Georgina Island, Chippewas of Rama, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Mississaugas of Scugog Island. Modern day Whitchurch-Stouffville is included in over 20,000 km<sup>2</sup> of land transferred, although legal discussions continued until 2018.

#### 1971

Whitchurch Township and the Village of Stouffville (and parts of Markham) amalgamate to form The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville as the Regional Municipality of York is officially established.



Above: Stouffville's iconic Daley's Hall was built in 1885 at Main and Market Streets. It has served as a library, a senior's centre and even had a skating rink with curling in the basement at one time. Photo: WS Museum (#997.015.310)

#### Did you know?

Abraham Stouffer was born in Pennsylvania in 1780. He was a descendant of the Stouffer's, who had fled Switzerland to seek religious freedom in 1709. Accompanied by Peter Reesor and his family, in 1804 Abraham and his wife Elizabeth (Peter's sister) emigrated to Canada with their two children using four large wagons, each drawn by four to six horses each. The Stouffer-Reesor family caravan also had pigs, fowl, sheep, cows, and oxen accompanying them on the six-week trek through trackless forests. Abraham built several mills between 1817 – 1824. One of which was a grist mill at Main Street & Market Street. It was there that a village began to develop. The hamlet became known as "Stoufferville".

#### today

Whitchurch-Stouffville continues to attract new residents, businesses, and tourists in an era of immense prosperity, while surrounded by healthy natural ecosystems and sprawling farmlands. More and more young families are calling Stouffville their home, and seniors continue to flock to retire here, all to participate in the small town community atmosphere with the convenience of big-city amenities nearby.



#### Learn more!

Get more **history** info at townofws.ca/history

Stouffville is rich in culture, heritage, and community. The performing arts, cultural diversity and historical preservation play an integral role in bringing the community together. We are fortunate to have many programs and events to preserve and promote our community's vibrant culture.

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### The Lebovic Centre for Arts & Entertainment

19 Civic Avenue Stouffville ON L4A 1G5 19rentals@townofws.ca (905) 640-2322

"19 on the Park" opened its doors in 2009 as a multi-purpose venue to bring the best in arts and entertainment to the Stouffville community.

Located in the heart of downtown Stouffville, behind the Clock Tower on Main Street, this historic building was built in 1896 as a market and dance hall. Since then, it has been an integral social hub to the community, playing many roles over the years, including Town Hall until the 1970s. Now fully converted to a beautiful 150 seat theatre, this multi-purpose venue holds concerts, live theatre shows, fundraisers, wedding ceremonies, and private events.

- Rental space for theatrical productions, meetings, birthday parties, weddings and other special occasions
- Day camps for kids and adults
- A wide range of shows, concerts, and other entertainment



#### Learn more!

Get more **theatre** info at townofws.ca/nineteen

### Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum & Community Centre

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The idea for the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum & Community Centre began in 1969 as a civic-minded project by a group of local residents with a passion for Canadian history and a love of their town.

Since 1971, the site has grown from the original museum building – the Bogarttown School House (1857) – and now features the Vandorf Public School (1870), a log cabin (c. 1850), a Victorian-era farmhouse (c. 1860), a historic barn, and an outhouse. The Museum also houses and preserves over 16,000 artifacts in its collection!

- State of the art exhibition gallery
- Rental space for birthday parties, weddings, and other special occasions
- Summer camps and programs for kids and adults
- · A research room for digging into your family's past



#### Learn more!

Get more **museum** info at townofws.ca/museum





### **Stouffville** Celebrates

Events run by the Town offer residents a wide range of family-friendly programming from historical and heritage celebrations, to live music and performances, to large multi-day festivals.

All of these events share the common goal of showcasing our beautiful town and providing an opportunity for residents and visitors to celebrate our community. Save these dates!

Stouffville Celebrates events are marked with 🕦 below.



May long weekend

Summer starts early by kicking off your long weekend with food trucks, entertainers, and a lively firework show. Fireworks start at 9:30pm.

#### Doors Open Whitchurch-Stouffville

First weekend in June

Explore a variety of engaging sites across Town and experience unique family-friendly activities, right here in Whitchurch-Stouffville!

### Art in the Park

Second Saturday in June

Arts and culture come alive at this annual art show and sale! Wander the park to revel in the talent of artists from across Southern Ontario.

### Stouffville Main Street 5k

Third Sunday in June

All-ages competitive and recreational runners and walkers alike come together to support community healthcare, with fundraising benefiting the Markham Stouffville Hospital Foundation.

### Music in the Park

Fourth weekend in June

Celebrate live music and performances in Memorial Park while enjoying a variety of delicious eats from food trucks across the GTA.



Canada Day weekend

Celebrate Canada's birthday in style at the Strawberry Festival with events for the entire family spread over the entire holiday weekend.

### Patio Series

Various Fridays

Enjoy the ambiance of a warm summer night in Civic Square with live music. Performers to be announced closer to date.



#### Cinema in the Sauare

Two Thursdays in Summer

A perfect local night out on Main Street! Enjoy your favourite movie classics in an intimate, open-air cinema in Civic Square. 19+ event.



Movies in the Park 🕦 Various Fridays

Bring your lawn chairs and blankets to enjoy family favourites under the stars! Screenings start at sundown.





Second weekend in August

September

Our largest festival features award-winning ribbers, beer, live musical performances, a kids zone, merchandise vendors, and other fun surprises!



#### Antique and Classic Car Show Second weekend in August

This iconic family-favourite features hundreds of antique and classic cars, food trucks, tours of historic buildings and featured exhibitions, music, and more. Held at the Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum.



Fast Eddie's Motorfest

A massive display of classics, muscle cars, vintage bikes, street rods & tuners, with proceeds supporting local charities.



winter wonderland.

Holiday

#### Learn more!

Shop artisanal vendors, groove to live performances by big

headliners, and enjoy delicious eats at Stouffville's award-winning

Visit townofws.ca/events for full **event details** as they become available.

Last weekend in November

#### Whitchurch-Stouffville Studio Tour

Third weekend in September

With humble beginnings as a small artisan show in the old Municipal Offices, this event has transformed to feature over twenty venues, showcasing more than thirty artists.

#### Wintersong Music Festival

A January weekend

Stouffville awakens from hibernation in the midst of winter with a diverse lineup of free musical performances, installations, and engaging interactive experiences.





November

A delicious taste of Christmas past, featuring a traditional catered tea and a festive tour of our Museum's historic buildings.

#### Candlelight Christmas Second Saturday in December

The Museum comes to life with Christmas traditions and costumed staff for charming evening tours featuring heritage buildings, decorated for the season.



#### Stouffville Santa Claus Parade First Saturday in December

Join your neighbours to celebrate the season as a spectacle of lights, floats, bands and more make their way down our historic Main Street.

# enlightening the mind

### Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library

### Latcham Art Centre

The Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library inspires curiosity, embraces innovation, and engages the community with thoughtful and educational programming.

Library cards are free of charge and open a world of adventure, excitement, and learning to our customers. In April 2023, the Library launched the Lendery, also known as a Library of Things, that provides free access to equipment, technologies, and experiences that foster learning within our community.

The Library also offers cardholders digital access to eBooks and eAudiobooks, new and improved databases such as Creativebug and National Geographic Kids, tabletop games and puzzles, and video games.

We understand that our community is diverse and growing, and our Library collections, programs, and services reflect that. Welcome to your Library—we're happy to see you!

- Free WiFi access on site
- Books, eBooks & eAudio
- Chromebook lending
- DVDs & video games
- Digital databases
- Homework Help with Brainfuse
- Educational classes and programs
- English language learning services & resources
- Makerspace: 3D Printing, audio recording studio, and more
- Mobile hotspots for home use
- Lendery technology, household, sporting goods, and more
- Accessibility workstation
- Study rooms

Latcham Art Centre hosts five curated exhibitions each year that reflect a range of artistic media and the cultural diversity of Ontario, as well as three community exhibitions. These are complemented with educational and public programs including school visits, artist talks, art workshops, classes, and tours led by the curator, art educators, and exhibiting artists. Latcham Art Centre also facilitates four exhibitions at the Stouffville Municipal Offices.

Latcham Art Centre, formerly The Latcham Gallery, was founded in 1979 and named after local philanthropist Arthur Latcham and is a not-for-profit, public art gallery. Latcham Art Centre is a vibrant, creative space that creates opportunities for visitors to view art, talk about art and build confidence and skills creating art. It also provides opportunities for artists to share their art with the public. Admission is free, and there is year-round programming and exhibitions for all ages.

- 8 exhibitions each year with free admission
- Art education programming for all ages including classes, workshops, artist talks, group tours and workshops, community art projects and more
- Free events with hands on art activities
- Opportunities for volunteers



#### Learn more!

Get more **library** info at wsplibrary.ca



#### Learn more!

Get more **gallery** info at latchamartcentre.ca

2 Park Drive Stouffville ON L4A 4K1 Library: (905) 642-7323 Gallery: (905) 640-8954

# **Conservation** areas & national parks

#### **Bruce's Mill Conservation Area**

South side of Stouffville Road, between Warden Avenue and Kennedy Road Bruce's Mill Conservation Area takes its name from a restored water-powered mill located on a tributary of the Rouge River. The 10km of trails in this area are both open and forested. In addition to hiking activities, there are countless ways to spend time here, such as picnicking, biking, or exploring the forests by Treetop Trekking. In the spring, Bruce's Mill is home to the Sugar Bush Festival.



Kennedy Road, between Davis Drive and Aurora Road A 100-hectare property on the Oak Ridges Moraine, Pangman Springs Conservation Area is an excellent example of a mature moraine ecosystem, including both wetlands and upland hardwood forests. The public can access the conservation area from the parking lot on Kennedy Road, or from a side trail connected to the nearby Porritt tract of the York Regional Forest.

#### Whitchurch Conservation Area

South side of Aurora Road, between Warden Avenue and Kennedy Road Whitchurch Conservation Area is an 11 hectare, mainly wooded property, sitting on the northern edge of the Oak Ridges Moraine. This property contains a rich collection of bird species, as well as a variety of ecological communities. Featuring a quaint pond, this property can be noisy with the croaks of busy frogs in the springtime. This is a perfect place for a family hike!

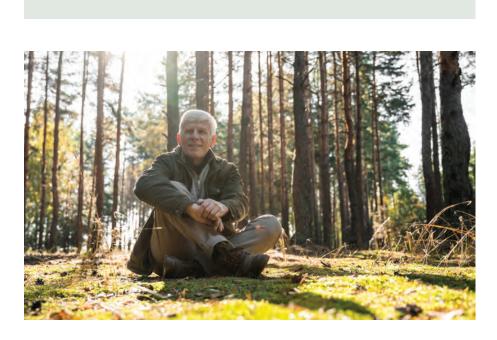
#### **Rouge National Urban Park**

Access point on 19th Avenue, between Ninth and Tenth Line A rich assembly of natural, cultural and agricultural landscapes, Rouge National Urban Park is home to amazing biodiversity, some of the last remaining working farms in the Greater Toronto Area, Carolinian ecosystems, one of the region's largest marshes, a beach at Lake Ontario, amazing hiking opportunities, and human history dating back over 10,000 years.



### York Regional Forest

Connect with nature and enjoy fresh air while exploring York Regional Forest. The forest has more than 150 kilometers of scenic trails for you to discover. With over half of the forests' tracts located in Stouffville, including three accessible trails, it's easy to spend time amongst the trees!





The York Regional Forest is open to the public 365 days per year with no cost to enter. The forest is over 2,500 hectares and is made up of 24 Forest Tracts (22 of which are publicly accessible) located in different parts of the Region.



#### Learn more!

Get more info about the **York Region Forest** at york.ca/yrf including detailed maps, educational opportunities and rules & precautions.



#### Download opportunity!

Download the **'Everyday Guide to the York Regional Forest'** directly to your mobile device so you will always have it handy.

#### Stouffville tracts

Take a hike, snowshoe, horseback ride, cross-country ski, or a leisurely cycle through the following York Regional Forest tracts in Stouffville:

Clarke Tract (McCowan Rd. south of Aurora Rd.)

Davis Drive Tract (McCowan Rd. south of Davis Dr.)

Bendor and Grave Tract (McCowan Rd. north of Davis Dr.)

Dainty Tract (McCowan Rd. south of Aurora Rd.)

Drysdale Tract (Ninth Line north of St. John's Rd.)

Eldred King Tract (Highway 48 south of Vivian Rd.)

Hall Tract (McCowan Rd. north of Aurora Rd.)

Hollidge Tract (Highway 48 south of Vivian Rd.)

Mitchell Tract (McCowan Rd. south of Vivian Rd.)

North Tract (Highway 48 south of Davis Dr.)

Patterson Tract (McCowan Rd. north of Aurora Rd.)

Porritt Tract (Kennedy Rd. north of Aurora Rd.)

Robinson Tract (Warden Ave. south of Aurora Rd.)

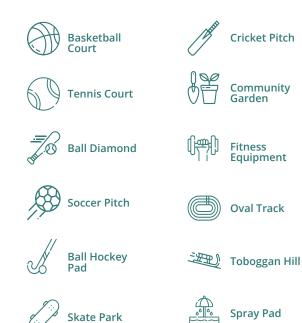
Scout Tract (McCowan Rd. south of Vivian Rd.)



### Parks & parkettes

Amenities





#### **Neighbourhood Parks**

**Skating Rink** 

Wheler's Mill Park Hoover Park Drive & Mostar Drive

Lehman's Pond Willow Way Street (East of Millard Street)

Madori Park Millard Street & Winlane Drive Sunnyridge Park Sunnyridge Avenue & Hoover Park Drive

Felcher Park Felcher Blvd & Iroquois Drive

Byer's Pond Park Byer's Pond Way (South of Hoover Park Drive) Gar Lehman Park Reeves Way & Joseph Todd

Greenwood Park Greenwood Road & Alderwood Street



Our Neighbourhood Parks & Parkettes also have a wide variety of amenities!

Visit townofws.ca/parks for more details.

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#### **Community Parks**

Rupert Park Rupert Avenue & West Lawn Crescent



Stouffville Reservoir Millard Street (East of Ninth Line)



Memorial Park & Wayne Emmerson Skatepark Burkholder Street & Park Drive



#### Stouffville Arena & Connell–Franklin Track Ninth Line (North of Main Street)



Coultice Park Musselman's Lake (East side of Ninth Line)



#### Vandorf Park Vandorf Sideroad & Woodbine Avenue



Ballantrae Park Aurora Road (East of Highway 48)



Bethesda Sport Fields Bethesda Road (East of Ninth Line)



Dog Park Rougeview Avenue (Behind Staples)



#### **Parkettes**

Summerfield Avenue

Waite Crescent Waite Crescent

Dougherty Road

Bramble Crescent Bramble Crescent

**Bayberry** West of Stouffville Reservoir Aspen Crescent

Greenforest Reeves Way & Joseph Todd

Shane Court Shane Court

Boadway Boadway Drive

Stouffer Street & Hawthorne Street

Loretta Katherine Crescent

Fairlee Fairlee Circle

Summitview Thicketwood Blvd & Stuart Drive

Reeves Way

Baker Hill Baker Hill Avenue & Millard Street Miltrose Miltrose Crt (South of Sunset Blvd & East of Ninth Line)

Lemonville McCowan Road (South of Bloomington Road)

Savoia Grayfield Drive

Dannor Sandiford Drive & Dannor Avenue

Tresstown Sunnyridge Avenue & Filbert Court

### Outdoor recreation

the SmartCentre Walmart Plaza.

former Mayor, Wayne Emmerson.

Hiking & walking trails

Our extensive trail network is popular among avid cyclists, joggers, and families out for leisurely dog walks. There are many options steps from residential doorsteps, including local trails and more expansive tracts that connect to the larger forested areas in York Region and Rouge Park.

The Town of Stouffville offers one off-leash dog park.

Rougeview Dog Park is a permanent fenced in facility,

providing a safe, off leash environment for dogs, large and small, to interact, socialize, and play. The leash-free dog park is located at 300 Rougeview Avenue just east of

Off-leash dog park

Skateboard park

Outdoor rinks Located at the south end of Memorial Park, adjacent to Hoover Park Drive, the Wayne Emmerson Skate Park is approximately 5000 sq. ft. and offers features suitable for varying age groups and skill levels. It has been named after

Outdoor winter ice rinks in Whitchurch-Stouffville are at the mercy of the weather. When weather conditions permit, volunteers and Town staff will build and maintain ice rinks at the following locations:

- Greenwood Park
- Gar Lehman Park
- Madori Park
- Sunnyridge Park
- Wheler's Mill Park

• Byer's Pond Park

• Gar Lehman Park

Greenwood Park

Vandorf Park

Spray pads

Spray pads are interactive water play areas (with continuous draining and no standing water) that are open June through mid-September from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

- Coultice Park
- Madori Park
- Wheler's Park
- Sunnyridge Park

Tennis & pickleball

- Ballantrae Park: 4 lit courts
- Memorial Park: 1 double tennis court / 8 pickleball
- Stouffville Arena: 4 lit tennis courts / 8 pickleball
- Sunnyridge Park: 2 unlit courts
- Vandorf Park: 2 lit courts / 8 pickleball

#### Baseball & softball diamonds

Soccer

fields &

cricket

pitches

- Bethesda Park: 2 adult, 1 youth diamond
- Memorial Park: 1 adult (with bleachers), 1 youth diamond
- Rupert Park: 1 youth diamond
- Vandorf Park: 1 adult diamond
- · Wheelers Mill: 1 youth diamond
- Byers Pond: 1 junior diamond drop in only
- Bethesda Park: 1 lit regulation and 4 mini soccer fields
- Stouffville Arena: 2 lighted regulation pitches and 1 not lit (secondary field on the high school property)

#### Learn more!

Get more info about our **outdoor recreation** opportunities at townofws.ca/openspaces



### Indoor recreation



There are two double ice pad arenas in Stouffville with year-round availability, primarily for ice bookings. Dry pad bookings are also available in the off-season when the ice is removed. Pricing varies for prime time and standard time, depending on the type of group booking the space. Recreational skates, including public skate, shinny, parent & tot, and adult free skate, are available at both arenas.

#### Stouffville Arena

12483 Ninth Line Stouffville ON L4A 1C2 (905) 640-1900 ex. 2287

- Two ice pads
- Large Multi-purpose Room
- Small Multi-purpose Room

#### **Clippers Sports Complex**

120 Weldon Road Stouffville ON L4A 1N2 (905) 640-1900 ex. 2287

- Two ice pads
  - Multi-purpose Room

### Community centres



Nestled in quaint rural neighbourhoods, several community centres are available for private bookings. These versatile gems are available for events such as weddings, art shows, auctions, meetings, dances, family reunions, baby showers, and more!

#### Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum & Community Centre

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#### Lemonville Community Centre

13453 McCowan Road Stouffville, ON L4A 7X5 (905) 640-1900 ex. 2290 Ballantrae Community Centre & Fieldhouse

5592 Aurora Road Stouffville, ON L4A 7X4 (905) 640-1900 ex. 2290

#### Latcham Hall

8 Park Drive Stouffville, ON, L4A 1G4 (905) 640-1900 ex. 2290



### Whitchurch-Stouffville Leisure Centre

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The Whitchurch-Stouffville Leisure Centre is the Town's primary recreation facility, featuring an expansive swimming pool, fitness centre, community spaces, and gymnasium. The Leisure Centre is also home to the Latcham Art Centre and the Whitchurch-Stouffville Public Library.

Stouffville offers a wide variety of recreational opportunities to support the physical and mental health of all residents. Across town, dedicated staff thrive on supporting the ever-evolving needs and interests of our diverse community, while keeping resident wellbeing at the core of all programming.



#### Learn more!

Get more **Leisure Centre** info at townofws.ca/ leisurecentre



### **Recreation** programs

#### Preschool programs

Kids (aged 6 months to 5 years old) focus on learning social skills and developing gross motor skills in a fun, safe, and nurturing environment.

#### Child & family programs

We give children (aged 6 to 12 year olds) the opportunity to acquire new skills, develop existing skills, and build friendships in a supportive environment. The primary focus is to teach children the importance of a healthy, active lifestyle, and how it supports overall wellbeing. Family programs have been designed so that everyone can play and learn together.

#### Camp programs

Not just for summer – we've got plans covered for March Break and P.A. Days too! Campers participate in a range of activities designed to foster social interaction and facilitate personal growth while developing educational and recreational skills.

#### Youth programs

These programs have been designed to keep youth (aged 13 to 17) active and engaged in their community while learning life skills together.

#### Adult programs

It is never too late to learn a new skill, refine an old one, or just get to know your neighbours, in our fun, inclusive, and supportive community!

#### Skating

Score! There's lots to do on our super cool ice rinks – no pun intended! From public skate, to parent & tot sessions, Canadian classics are alive and well in Stouffville. Family and Adult Stick & Puck programs are ideal for anyone looking to polish their hockey stick handling skills!

#### Older adult programs

This club caters to the unique needs and goals of older residents, through seminars, workshops, active aging programs, wellness classes, and games. For seniors interested in these engaging social opportunities.

#### Adapted programs

Our adapted programs offer smaller instructor to participant ratios and are designed to provide additional support to those who may need extra assistance. These programs also provide participants with valuable social opportunities for personal growth and to develop life skills through creative activities.

#### Drop-in programs

Drop in programs are available for participants of all ages. From pickleball, to basketball, to parent and tot gym time and more: pay-as-you go or get a gymnasium 10-pass!

#### Fitness programs

Certified exercise professionals help community members exceed their goals in rehabilitation, increasing energy, training for a sport, or and maintaining healthy habits and activity levels!

#### Swimming programs

Whether you're a little guppy figuring out your fins or just wanting to refine your strokes, there's an aquatics program fit for everyone. Test the waters at a public swim session – don't forget to check out the indoor waterslide!



#### Learn more!

Get more info about our **programs** at townofws.ca/programs

### Transit

#### **York Region Transit**

York Region Transit (YRT) offers local and rapid transit services in all nine York Region municipalities. Over 130 routes keep residents connected within York Region, as well as connecting to services in the City of Toronto, and the Regions of Peel and Durham. Stouffville's local bus route is Route 9 (9th Line) which runs from Monday through Friday.



#### **Mobility On-Request**

Mobility On-Request (MOR) is a ride-sharing service that allows you to request transit when and where you need it. It allows travel from your selected address in the service area to one of five select locations in Stouffville. Download the Mobility On-Request App, available in the App Store or Google Play. MOR also offers an on-request transit service for seniors 65 years and older.



#### **Mobility On-Request Paratransit:**

MOR Paratransit is York Region's door-to-door, shared ride, accessible public transit service for people with disabilities. If you are unable to use regular public transit due to a physical, cognitive, visual, or sensory disability for all or part of your trip, Paratransit may be for you. Visit their Registration and Eligibility page to find out if you meet the eligibility criteria.

#### **GO Transit**

GO Transit, a division of Metrolinx, is the regional public transit service for the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area. Its routes extend to communities across the Greater Golden Horseshoe. GO Transit offers trains and buses to/ from Stouffville including bus line "71 Stouffville" and the train line "Stouffville Line". GO train services along the Stouffville line have recently opened weekend train trips.



#### VIVA

Viva is YRT's rapid transit service, the first of its kind in the GTA. Trips are frequent and flexible, making it easy for you to get to your destination at any time.



### Support local business



Stouffville, only a short drive from millions of people in Southern Ontario, is known for dozens of golf courses, beautiful equestrian centres, and kilometres of rolling trails through lush forest. Use these resources to plan your next trip.

Stouffville Economic Development (905) 640-1900 ex. 2262 ecdev@townofws.ca

Stouffville Chamber of Commerce 6176 Main St, Stouffville, ON L4A 2S5 (905) 642-4227 admin@stouffvillechamber.ca stouffvillechamber.ca



#### "On The Road" magazine

Delivered to your mailbox every month, "On The Road" magazine features news, business profiles, event listings, things to do, and matters of community importance. It can also be read online at townofws.ca/otr



#### Stouffville.com

Stouffville.com is powered by stories, experiences, history, and travel as written in "On the Road" magazine. The website is divided into two sections: "Live It" and "Do It." "Do It" includes hiking, family fun, culture, cycling, golf, DIY, and horse riding. Within "Live It" you can find places to shop, eat, and drink.



#### **Discover Stouffville**

Brought to you by the Stouffville Chamber of Commerce, discoverstouffville.ca highlights everything the Village of Stouffville has to offer. Discover things to see & do, places to dine, where to shop, events to attend, and more.



### Road operations

As part of the Town's Public Works department, the Operations Division is responsible for road construction and maintenance, winter snow removal, traffic control, sidewalks, streetlights, and crossing guards.

Stouffville manages the operation and maintenance of municipal roads and sidewalks. Some maintenance is scheduled to occur annually; however, most is scheduled for maintenance as specific needs arise. Any issues reported by the public are tracked and repaired on a priority basis. To report an issue or for general inquiries, please contact our Customer Service Centre.

Road Watch program	The Town is a participant in York Regional Police's Road Watch Program. Residents can report dangerous or unlawful driving behaviour through the York Regional Police online portal, onlinereporting.yrp.ca/RoadWatch.
Roundabouts	The maintenance of many of Stouffville's residential roundabouts are under the jurisdiction of the Town. They are swept, plowed, and painted on a regular basis. The larger Bloomington Road roundabout was built and is maintained by the Province of Ontario. For more information about roundabout safety, visit townofws.ca/ roundabouts.
Sidewalks	Trip ledges, cracks, and other sidewalk damage are repaired on a priority basis by the Town, as necessary. If required, major sections of damaged sidewalks and curbs

are replaced and nearby residents are notified in advance.

Snow removal	Road patrols are carried out by the Town each morning commencing at 3:30 a.m., seven days a week, starting on the third Friday of November. The Town is responsible for clearing Town roads and all sidewalks when snow accumulation reaches five centimetres. The plowing of high traffic roadways and moderate-traffic roads that connect to residential streets are prioritized first as these roads are major carriers of traffic. Residential roads are cleared once these main roadway arteries are completed. The Town does not maintain sidewalks on private property such as condominiums and commercial properties.	Stouffville recognizes the ecological and aesthetic value of trees and the importance of the canopy cover they provide.	
Storm sewers & catchbasins	Storm sewers, catchbasins, maintenance holes, curbs and gutters are inspected annually and repaired as required. Cleaning of catchbasins is done on an as-needed basis.	Residents are not permitted to hardscape around town trees. This includes building decorative walls or laying artificial turf around the tree. Many forms of hardscaping will restrict the tree's root growth and will kill the tree. Trees on private property are the responsibility of the homeowner. Unsure if it's a Town owned tree? Contact Customer Service at customer. service@townofws.ca or call (905) 640- 1900.	
Street sweeping	The Town begins its annual Spring Sweeping Program at the end of April each year, weather permitting. This effort clears all Town streets of sand and debris that build up on streets through the winter. The street sweeping usually continues through the course of the summer.		
Streetlights	The Town is always seeking the assistance of residents in reporting streetlight outages. This may be done at any time by calling the Customer Service Centre with a detailed description of the location of the streetlight. Streetlights are generally repaired within ten (10) business days.	The Regional Municipality of York has partnered with LEAF to offer subsidized programs that help residents beautify their backyards while adding to the urban forest canopy. Visit yourleaf. org or call 1 (888) 453-6504 for more information.	
Windrow clearing service	A snow windrow is the pile of snow left at the bottom of your driveway after a snowplow has cleared the road. The Town provides a windrow snow clearing service at no cost to seniors and physically challenged residents where there is no able-bodied person living in the same household. Contact Customer Service for further information, customer.service@townofws.ca or call (905) 640-1900.	Image: Sector of the sector	

Trees

# Waste, recycling & composting

The Town has contracted the collection of all garbage, recycling, organics, yard waste and appliances to GFL Environmental Inc. Call GFL for inquiries related to missed collections, replacement of damaged Town issued bins, and new resident bin delivery.



#### Place by curb

All waste must be **placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m.** on your scheduled collection day, but not earlier than 5:00 p.m. the night before.



#### Limits

There is a three (3) bag or container **limit** (max. 125L). Additional bags will also be collected, provided a 'Garbage Bag Tag' is affixed to each bag.

#### Buy your tags at:

- · Municipal Offices 111 Sandiford Drive, Stouffville
- B.J.'s Gift & Variety, 6146 Main Street, Stouffville (cash only)
- Well Plus Pharmacy, 5402 Main Street, Stouffville (cash only)
- Petro Canada Station (Wesley Corners), 15288 Woodbine Avenue, Vandorf (cash only)

Please call GFL for all customer service related issues:

wasteline@gflenv.com 1 (866) 421-5625



Blue Materials will only be collected in Stouffville issued blue bins not exceeding 65 cm (26 inches) in length, 50 cm boxes (20 inches) in width and 50 cm (20 inches) in height. Blue boxes will not be emptied if they contain broken glass, plastic bags, or any other contaminants. Recycling material placed in covered containers, plastic bags, or cardboard boxes will not be collected. Cardboard must be broken down, newspaper and boxboard bundled, and tied can be placed next to the blue box for collection.

> Stouffville's Green Bin program helps keep food waste out of landfill. Green bins must not exceed 22kgs (50lbs). All Green Bin material must be placed inside the bin in compostable bags that are securely closed or tied. Only Town issued green bins will be accepted for collection. Lids of Green Bins should be closed and locked when set out for collection. Green Bins with materials overflowing will not be collected. Broken or cracked bins can be exchanged for no charge.

Yard Waste is collected on your regular collection day Yard every second week starting in April, as noted throughout waste your Waste Collection Calendar (there are some exceptions due to statutory holidays). There is no limit on the amount of yard waste that can be placed for collection, providing that acceptable bags and/or containers are used. Broken or cracked bins can be exchanged for no charge.

> Place weeds, plant trimmings and leaves in paper yard waste bags or an open-top garbage can labelled "Yard Waste" (stickers available from the Municipal Offices). Blue boxes are for recycling material only and will not be accepted for yard waste collection. No plastic bags please!

> Kitchen scraps, grass clippings, rocks, dirt, sod, tree stumps, larger branches, flower pots/trays, painted or treated wood, and animal droppings. Please do not place yard waste bags at the curb before collection day. Bags left outdoors in the elements deteriorate very quickly and can cause problems for collection crews by ripping or falling apart. Crews are not responsible for collecting ripped or torn bags.

#### Waste depots

York Region has various waste depots where garbage, recycling, household items, yard waste, electronics and other items can be dropped off. Each depot accepts different items, please refer to york.ca/wastedepot or 1 (866) 665-6752.

#### **Recycle Coach** mobile app

- Set up personalized collection calendar and pickup reminders.
- Save time and energy with intuitive digital tools that make recycling easy.
- · Learn how to properly sort your waste material with the search function "What Goes Where?"

#### **Pickup notifications**

Your personalized pick-up schedule is available at myStouffville.ca. Enter your address, and receive email reminders to place your waste, recycling and compost material out at the curb every week.

#### Waste calendar

Our waste collection calendar is in your mailbox every December. Download an additional copy online at townofws.ca/ wastecalendar



Get more info about waste, recycling and composting at townofws.ca/waste





Acceptable

Green

bins



Unacceptable



### Drinking water

The Town provides clean, safe drinking water which meets all of the Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards. It is tested at an accredited laboratory licensed by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.



#### Water supply

Stouffville purchases its water from the Region of York. The Region operates and maintains seven ground wells and supplements this water supply by purchasing treated lake water from the City of Toronto. Stouffville is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the water distribution systems in Stouffville, Ballantrae and Musselman's Lake.



#### Private wells

The Town is not responsible for well water or private well systems. All residents on a private water supply, particularly those with shallow dug wells, are recommended to sample their water supply on a regular basis. Testing kits are available for pick-up at the Municipal Offices, 111 Sandiford Drive, Stouffville.

#### Water emergencies

If you have an after hours emergency related to water or sewers (after 4:30 p.m.), please call 1 (855) 642-8696.



#### Learn more!

Get more about **drinking water**, including annual water quality reports, at townofws.ca/water

### Septic systems

Did you know that septic systems are the responsibility of you, the homeowner? It is up to you to keep your system working properly to protect your environment, your health and your investment.



If you live in a more rural area our community, chances are you have a septic system. Septic systems are onsite treatment units that eliminate the need for municipal sewers in rural areas. Anything that goes down the drain - every shower drip and every toilet flush - flows to the septic system. Septic systems are comprised of a tank, a network of pipes and billions of organisms that process your waste. It is important to know that you are responsible for your septic system and that it is in your best interest to take good care of it - from a health, financial and environmental perspective.

For further information about drinking water, septic systems or environmental conservation, please contact:

In Ontario, the Ontario Building Code (OBC) governs nearly all rural septic systems. If you are installing, repairing, upgrading or replacing such a system, contact our building department to answer any of your questions at (905) 640-1900 ex. 2249

#### Did you know?

Anyone in the business of pumping and cleaning septic tanks must be licensed by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment.

Anyone who installs, repairs or services septic tanks must be licensed by the Ontario Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.



120 Bayview Parkway, Newmarket (905) 895-1281 or 1-(800)-465-0437 Isrca.on.ca



101 Exchange Avenue, Vaughan (416) 661-6600 or 1-(888)-872-2344 trca.ca



#### Learn more!

Get more info about **private septic systems** at townofws.ca/septic

### Places of worship

#### Bloomington Gospel Church

13660 Ninth Line Stouffville, ON L4A 3C7 (905) 642-4414 *bloomingtongospel.com* 

#### Canadian Mar Thoma Church

159 Sandiford Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0Y2 (905) 471-8796 marthoma.ca

#### **Christ Church Stouffville**

254 Sunset Boulevard Stouffville ON L4A 3R1 (905) 640-1461 *stouffvilleanglican.ca* 

#### Churchill Community Church

15336 Ninth Line Stouffville, ON L4A 7X4 (905) 640-4704 churchillbaptistchurch.com

#### Community Mennonite Church

Parkview Village Auditorium 12184 Ninth Line Stouffville, ON L4A 0G8 (905) 640-9730 *cmchurch.ca* 

#### Darul Khair Center

86 Ringwood Drive, Unit 36 Stouffville, ON L4A 8C1 (416)-292-1818 *darulkhair.ca* 

#### Eastridge Evangelical Missionary Church

12485 Tenth Line Stouffville, ON L4A 7X3 (905) 640-3911 *eastridge.ca* 

#### **Harvest Family Church** 13448 Highway 48 Stouffville, ON L4A 7X3 (905) 640-3950

#### Heise Hill Church

11760 Woodbine Avenue Gormley, ON L4A 2H4 (905) 887-5489 *heisehillchurch.ca* 

In2one Community Church 6273 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 1G5 (905) 591-3200 *in2one.ca* 

#### Lemonville United Church

13523 McCowan Road Stouffville, ON L4A 7X5 (416) 231-5931 *lemonvilleunited.ca* 

#### **Springvale Baptist Church**

3885 Stouffville Road Stouffville, ON L4A 3X1 (905) 887-5651 *springvale.org* 

#### St. Bishoy Coptic Orthodox Church

6500 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 5Z4 (905) 642-0950 saintbishoy.ca

#### St. James Presbyterian Church

6432 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 1G3 (905) 640-3151 pccweb.ca/stjames-stouffville

#### St. Mark's Roman Catholic Church

345 Glad Park Avenue Stouffville, ON L4A 1E4 (905) 640-6954 *stmarkstouffville.ca* 

#### Stouffville Christian Church

6528 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 5Z4 (416) 803-6253 stouffvillechristianchurch.ca

#### Stouffville Grace Baptist Church

12485 Tenth Line Stouffville, ON L4A 3E9 (905) 591-3718 stouffville-gbc.org

**Stouffville Mandarin Alliance Church** 6273 Main Street

Stouffville, ON L4A 1G5 (416) 931-5260 *smac.ca* 

#### Stouffville Pentecostal Church

189 Sandiford Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0Y2 (905) 640-5695

#### **Stouffville United Church** 34 Church Street

Stouffville, ON L4A 1E3 (905) 640-1163

#### Vivian Baptist Church

16690 Highway 48 Stouffville, ON L4A 7X4 (905)-473-5957

#### Wesley United Church

15296 Woodbine Avenue Stouffville, ON L4A 2H3 (416)-700-2850 *fc.churchwebcanada.ca/ wesley-aurora* 

### Schools

#### YRDSB Elementary Schools:

#### **Ballantrae P.S.**

5632 Aurora Road R.R.#3 Stouffville, ON L4A 3K3 (905) 640-2232 *yrdsb.ca/schools/ballantrae.ps* 

#### Barbara Reid P.S.

130 Hoover Park Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 1S5 (905) 591-3800 *yrdsb.ca/schools/barbarareid. ps* 

#### **Glad Park P.S.**

(French Immersion) 300 Glad Park Avenue Stouffville, ON L4A 1E5 (905) 642-0224 *yrdsb.ca/schools/gladpark.ps* 

#### Harry Bowes P.S.

(French Immersion) 90 Greenwood Road Stouffville, ON L4A 0N8 (905) 640-9856 *yrdsb.ca/schools/harrybowes. ps* 

#### **Oscar Peterson P.S.**

850 Hoover Park Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0E7 (905) 642-1236 yrdsb.ca/schools/ oscarpeterson.ps

#### **Summitview P.S.**

6551 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 5Z4 (905) 640-1102 *yrdsb.ca/schools/summitview. ps* 

#### Wendat Village P.S.

99 Reeves Way Boulevard Stouffville, ON L4A 0J8 (905) 642-8095 yrdsb.ca/schools/ wendatvillage.ps

#### Whitchurch Highlands P.S.

13812 Warden Avenue Stouffville, ON L4A 4L5 (905) 888-1980 yrdsb.ca/schools/ whitchurchhighlands.ps

#### YCDSB Elementary Schools:

#### St. Brendan CES

(French Immersion Program Option) 751 Hoover Park Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0Z6 (905) 642-6728 *sbn.ycdsb.ca* 

#### St. Brigid CES

223 Millard Street Stouffville, ON L4A 5A1 (905) 642-5100 *sbd.ycdsb.ca* 

#### St. Mark CES

(French Immersion Program Option) 333 Glad Park Avenue Stouffville, ON L4A 1E4 (905) 640-2915 *smk.ycdsb.ca* 

#### YRDSB Secondary Schools:

#### Stouffville D.S.S.

801 Hoover Park Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0A4 (905) 640-1433 yrdsb.ca/schools/ stouffvilledistrict.ss

#### **Private Schools:**

pf.cscmonavenir.ca

#### **École secondaire catholique Pape-François** 276 Sunset Boulevard #254 Stouffville, ON L4A 3R1 (905) 642-3440

Royal Cachet Montessori School

160 Mostar Street Stouffville, ON L4A 0Y2 (905) 640-8088 *rcmschool.ca* 

#### Stouffville Christian

School 3885 Stouffville Road 2nd Floor Stouffville, ON L4A 3X1 (905) 887-3330 stouffvillechristianschool.com

#### The Progressive Montessori Academy

6411 Main Street Stouffville, ON L4A 1G4 (416) 220-8070 thepma.ca

#### Toronto French

Montessori School 22 Church Street North Stouffville, ON L4A 1G8 (905)-591-9504 torontofrenchmontessori.ca

#### **Cemeteries**

Lots and cremation niches are available for purchase at the Stouffville Cemetery. The Town allows for single burials, double depth burials, in-ground cremation burials and cremation columbarium niche interments.

For interment arrangements or any other cemetery inquiries: Contact Cemecare Inc. at 1-(800)-665-4201 or email info@cemecaresolutions.com. For all other inquiries call the Licensing and Public Services Coordinator at (905) 640-1900 ext. 2225 or email cemetery@ townofws.ca

- Stouffville Cemetery at 12118 Tenth Line
- Hartman Cemetery at 5829 Davis Dr.
- Bloomington Cemetery at 6041
   Bloomington Road
- Brillinger Cemetery at 12412 Woodbine Avenue



Get more info about **cemeteries** at townofws.ca/ cemeteries





### Community safety

The Whitchurch-Stouffville fire department is made up of both volunteer and full-time firefighters to respond to fires, medical emergencies, motor vehicle collisions, and ice/water rescues. We also provide fire and life safety education and fire prevention services.



#### Preparedness

Everyone should prepare for all different types of emergencies and have a plan to take care of themselves and their families for at least 72 hours. Create a grab & go emergency preparedness kit for your home. You can use a duffel bag, backpack or container to store items. Visit getprepared.ca for a list of items to be included in your Emergency Preparedness Kit.



#### Burn permits

An open-air burning permit allows you to have a fire on your property in order to clean up excess yard waste such as dry brush, wood products and natural organic material. Call Fire Station 51 on Weldon Road at (905) 640-9595 for more information, or visit townofws.ca/fire.

#### Fire Station 51

100 Weldon Rd, Stouffville, ON L4A 1N2 (905) 640-9595

Fire Station 52 15400 Highway 48 Ballantrae, ON L4A 7X4 **Police service:** call 1 (866) 876-5423 tollfree or report online at yrp.ca/ReportIt

**Medical services:** call Telehealth Ontario at 1 (866) 797-0000 or TTY: 1 (866) 797-0007.

York Region Paramedics - general inquiries: 1 (877) 800-7924



#### Learn more!

Get more info about Stouffville's **Fire & Emergency Services** at townofws.ca/fire

# Medical clinics & hospitals

The Stouffville area offers a range of healthcare services, including a hospital, long-term care facilities, medical centres, public health services, social services and walk-in clinics.

The Markham Stouffville Hospital (part of Oak Valley Health) delivers extraordinary patient experience to the residents of Whitchurch-Stouffville and is one of Ontario's leading community hospitals. They provide high quality, patientcentred care to more than 435,000 patients each year and offer diagnostic and emergency services and deliver clinical programs in acute care medicine and surgery, addictions and mental health, and childbirth and children's services.

#### Need a family doctor?

A family doctor or nurse practitioner is your primary health care provider – meaning they are the person you make an appointment with when you have a new, non-emergency health concern.

You can learn more about their services and how to find one right here Stouffville, or anywhere else in Ontario, at: ontario. ca/page/find-family-doctor-or-nurse-practitioner

#### Long term care facilities

Long-term care homes are places where adults can live and receive help with most or all daily activities, as well as access to 24-hour nursing and personal care. Residents can expect much more nursing and personal care here than a person would typically receive in a retirement home or supportive housing.

To find our more about how someone in your family can benefit from one of the long term care homes in Ontario, including several right here in town, please visit: ontario.ca/ page/about-long-term-care



Markham-Stouffville Hospital 381 Church St, Markham (905) 472-7373 msh.ca



Uxbridge Hospital

4 Campbell Dr, Uxbridge (905) 852-9771 oakvalleyhealth.ca/our-hospitals/ uxbridge-hospital/

#### **Blood tests & diagnostic imaging**

Life Labs 12267 Tenth Line, Stouffville (877) 849-3637 lifelabs.com Stouffville X-Ray & Ultrasound 6212 Main Street, Stouffville (905) 640-2243 markhamradiology.com

#### **Closest** walk-in clinics

#### Markham-Stouffville Urgent Care Centre

110 Copper Creek Dr., Suite 100 Markham, ON L6B 0P9 (905) 472-8911 doccallme@gmail.com Hours of operation: Mon - Fri: 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. Sat - Sun: 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.

#### COVID-19, Cold, and Flu Care Clinic Markham- Stouffville Hospital

381 Church St, Markham (905) 472-7373 Entrance D, parking lot 6 msh.ca

Hours of operation: Mon - Fri: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sat - Sun: Closed



Get more info about how to **find a doctor** at ontario.ca/page/ find-family-doctor-or-nursepractitioner



Get more info about **long term care facilities** at ontario.ca/ page/long-term-care-ontario

### Parking

Stouffville uses proactive and complaint-based parking enforcement. Contact our Central Customer Service Centre at (905) 640-1900 if you have a parking complaint or a enforcement concern.

### Parking permits

Are you having over night guests? Or repairing your driveway? Or just need to park on your street for more than 3 hours at a time? You can get a free parking exemption!

Residents that require on-street parking for longer than 3 hours can obtain a free parking exemption up to 12 times a year. Each exception is good for one license plate. Visit townofws.ca/parking to download yours today.

Parking allowances There is a 3-hour parking limit on most residential streets (including Main Street) between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 p.m. There is no limit between 6 p.m. and 2 a.m. in the evening.

Winter parking restrictions take effect on December 1 and last until March 31. During this time parking is not allowed on residential streets overnight between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. regardless of duration or during snow clearing operations.

#### Violations

Vehicles found to be violating the Town's parking restrictions may be ticketed. Residents are also reminded not to park in accessible parking spaces without a valid permit and that parking is never allowed in a Fire Route. Vehicles may be ticketed and/or towed if found in these areas.



#### Learn more!

Get more info about **parking**, including tickets, permits, violations, and restrictions at townofws.ca/parking

### How to pay a parking ticket

#### Online

Visit paytickets.townofws.ca to pay or appeal a parking ticket; register for on-street parking permits; or register for facility lot parking permits for longer parking needs

#### By mail

Write parking ticket number on front of cheque or money order, payable to: "The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville".

#### Drop box

Place your ticket in an envelope labeled "Attn: Municipal Law Enforcement" with cheque or money order (no cash) in the secure 24-hour drop box located beside the main entrance of the Municipal Offices.

#### In-person

Municipal by-law enforcement

640-1900 ext. 2229

Municipal By-Law Enforcement 111 Sandiford Dr., Stouffville

(905) 640-1900 or after hours (905)

If immediate assistance is required

please contact York Regional Police

(non-emergencies only) at 1 (866)

outside of our regular hours,

Pay directly at Town Hall Customer Service, Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except on civic/statutory holidays.

### Animal services

#### The Town is responsible for a wide variety of Animal Services including dog licensing and livestock claims.

### Animal shelter

All strays will go to the shelter if picked up by an animal patrol officer. Visit the Pickering Animal Services website to view photographs of all dogs and cats that have been picked up in the Whitchurch-Stouffville area and shows the date that the animal was delivered to the shelter. Pickering Animal Services also runs an Animal Adoption Centre at their shelter. You can learn the history and view some of the pets they have for adoption.

**Dog tags & licensing** Welcoming a pet into your family can fill your days with love and companionship. Being a responsible pet owner will ensure that you both enjoy a happy and healthy life together for many years. If your dog is lost, licensing will help us identify and reunite you and your pet as quickly as possible.

### Contact 111 Sandiford Dr., Stouffville ON information (905) 640-1900. After hours telephone: 1-855-642-8696 ext. 2229 or 905-640-1910 ext. 2229



876-5423

#### Learn more!

Get more info about By-law enforcement at townofws.ca/bylaw

#### Learn more!

Get more info about our **animal services** at townofws.ca/animals

# Building & renovations

The Town's Building Services Division is responsible for the administration of the Ontario Building Code Act and related Building By-Laws.

Permits

If you are considering doing work to your home or property, the Town offers many services to help you get the job done right. Many homeowner projects do not require a building permit. For example, you can go ahead and do the following at your leisure:



permit(s)

• Finishing the basement

- Installing a pool and surrounding fence
- Building a deck if they are more than 2 feet above ground
- Building a residential addition (sunroom, family room, second suite, etc.)
- Building an accessory building (sheds, detached garage, etc.) if they are more than 10 m<sup>2</sup> (108 ft<sup>2</sup>)



- Re-roofing (light-weight) that does not exceed the structural capacity of the framing
- Wood decks with a surface that is equal to, or less than, 600 mm above ground
- Window and door replacement provided that the size is not increased
- Sheds that are less than 10 m<sup>2</sup>



To view a complete list of minor construction work that is **exempt from a permit**, visit townofws.ca/ buildingexempt **Permit information:** (905) 640-1900 ext. 2249 **Inspection information:** (905) 640-1900 ext. 2280

Swimming	If you are installing an above-ground pool, in-ground
pools	pool or blow-up/temporary pool kit (containing more
	than 2 ft. of water) on your property the fence (enclosure)
	surrounding the swimming pool requires a permit. During
	construction of the pool, the owner must provide a safe
	temporary fence around the pool. Contact the Town's
	Building Services Division at (905) 640-1900 ext: 2253 for
	further information.

- Basements Finishing a previously unfinished area of your home requires a building permit. A residential renovation or alteration to your home can include enlarging a window or door, adding or removing a wall or finishing a basement. If any renovation includes a new washroom or alterations to the existing plumbing, a plumbing permit is required. Also, if your home is serviced by an on-site private sewage disposal system, a septic system evaluation report may also be required. Contact the Town's Building Services Division at (905) 640-1900 ext. 2280 for further information.
- Additions Residential additions require a building permit. If the addition includes a washroom or alterations to existing plumbing, a plumbing permit is required. Also, if your home is serviced by an on-site private sewage disposal system, a septic system evaluation report may be required. If any electrical work is proposed (lighting, wiring, switches & outlets for example) contact the Electrical Safety Authority at 1 (877) 372-7233 for information regarding permits and permit fees.

Decks Residents are allowed to build a deck if it is less than 600 mm above the ground. Our Zoning By-laws restricts decks to the rear and side yards only. You may require Toronto and Region Conservation Authority or the Lake Simcoe Conservation Authority approval if your property is on or near a floodplain, and your condo board may need to approve the deck if your home is not free-hold.

Driveways & boulevards

Where a portion of the work involves permanent change to public property (such as driveway widening and entrance relocations, landscape or interlock work) an encroachment permit is required.

#### Fences

If you plan to build a fence on your property line, you are encouraged to meet with your neighbours to discuss design and cost before constructing it. No permit is required for division fences. Residential rear or side yard fences cannot exceed 2.2 metres in height, while front yard fences cannot exceed 1.0 metres in height.

#### Using the road?

You'll need a Road Occupancy Permit. Residents are required to obtain this permit if you are doing work to your property that requires occupying the Town's right-of-way or road for any length of time (such as for material or bin storage).



Get more info about road occupancies at townofws.ca/roads

#### Call before you dig

When doing home improvements such as fences, pools, and landscaping, residents are reminded that you are responsible for obtaining the necessary utility locates for your property. Visit Ontario One Call before you dig: ontarioonecall.ca



Get more info about **buried infrastructure** at townofws.ca/ callbeforeyoudig



### Mayor & council

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville's municipal government is composed of the Mayor and six Councillors, with the Mayor also representing the Town at the regional level of government. Council is elected to serve a four-year term, currently in the 2022 - 2026 term.

lain Lovatt Mayor (905) 640-1900 ext. 2100 iain.lovatt@townofws.ca



Read complete **biographies** of the Mayor and members of council at townofws.ca/council

Hugo Kroon Ward One (905) 640-1900 ext. 2101 Maurice Smith Ward Two (905) 640-1900 ext. 2102 maurice.smith@townofws.ca Keith Acton Ward Three (905) 640-1900 ext. 2103 keith.acton@townofws.ca

Rick Upton Ward Four

hugo.kroon@townofws.ca

(905) 640-1900 ext. 2104 rick.upton@townofws.ca Richard Bartley Ward Five (905) 640-1900 ext. 2105 richard.bartley@townofws.ca

Sue Sherban Ward Six (905) 640-1900 ext. 2106 sue.sherban@townofws.ca

### Council meetings

Members of Council meet at regularly scheduled Council Meetings throughout the year, as well as at special meeting, as required. Meetings may be viewed live online at townofws.ca/ cmlivestream and on twitter at @ws\_townhall. Council Meetings will be video-recorded and made available online at calendar. townofws.ca/council. The regular meeting agenda will be published online 5 days prior to the meeting on the Thursday. Meetings are generally held on the first and third Wednesday of the month.



#### Learn more!

Get more info about **Council meetings**, including public meetings and council appointed committees at townofws.ca/councilmeetings

### Property taxes

Property tax bills are mailed to each property owner end of January and end of June each year. Instalments are due mid-February, April, July, and September.



#### Learn more!

Get more info about **property taxes** at townofws.ca/taxes

#### How are your taxes calculated?

Your taxes are calculated on the assessed value of your property as reported by the Municipal Property and Assessment Corporation (MPAC) and multiplied by the current tax rate. The municipal tax rate is determined by Whitchurch-Stouffville Council near the beginning of each year.

#### How are your tax dollars spent?

Only a portion of your tax dollars goes to the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville. In 2022, 34% went to the Town, 21.3% went to the Province and 44.7% went to York Region.

### Water & waste water

Water bills are due four times per year, with dates in January and April being billed at the previous year's rates, and dates in July and October billed at the current year's rates.



#### Learn more!

Get more info about **water and** waste water at townofws.ca/water

#### What Does Your Water Bill Pay For?

Each year Stouffville sets the water and sewer rate based on the cost of delivering these services. The rates ensure sufficient funding is received to pay for:

- Supply of drinking water from York Region
- Sewage treatment provided by York Region
- Costs required to operate and maintain the water and sewer systems

Water and sewer billing revenue is used exclusively to fund the operation and maintenance of the municipal water and sewer system.

#### How to pay:

#### In-person

Pay in-person at Town Hall, 111 Sandiford Drive Stouffville, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Or use the drop-box 24 hrs a day.

#### Online

Pay online using your financial institution's mobile app or website, or at vth.townofws.ca.

#### At a bank

Pay in-person at a teller or an Automated Teller Machine (ATM) at your financial institution.

#### By mail

Pay by mailing your remittance stub with your account number on the front of your cheque.

More payment options are available at townofws.ca/taxes



#### **Town hall address**

Stouffville's Municipal Offices (Town Hall) are located in the town of Stouffville, in York Region, Ontario.

111 Sandiford Drive Stouffville, ON L4A 0Z8

#### Hours of operation

Stouffville Town Hall is open regular business hours, Monday to Friday. Other town facilities may be open other hours.

Town Hall: Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Planning Customer Service: Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.



Customer service at Town Hall can be reached during regular business hours by telephone and email at:

Telephone: (905) 640-1900 Toll free: 1 (855) 642-8696 Fax: (905) 640-7957 customer.service@townofws.ca

After 4:30 p.m Monday to Friday, and on weekends, your call will be directed to our after-hours service.

### By-law enforcement & animal services

For concerns related to animal control, noise complaints, property standards, dumping, parking and other by-laws.

Telephone: 1 (855) 642-8696 ext. 2229

### Waste & recycling collection

Direct all waste, recycling and composting inquiries to GFL Environmental Inc.

Telephone: 1 (866) 421-5625 Email support: gflenv.com/support



Get a complete list of **contact info** at townofws.ca/contact



Get contact info for the **Leisure Center** at townofws.ca/ leisurecentre

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### Stouffville

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville acknowledges this land is the treaty territory of the Williams Nations. It is also the traditional territory of other Anishinaabeg peoples, the Wendat, and the Haudenosaunee. We also recognize the contributions of all Indigenous peoples to this place and commit to a continued dialogue and greater respect for the land we have come to share. This recognition of the contributions and historic importance of Indigenous peoples must also be clearly and overtly connected to our collective commitment to make the promise and the challenge of Truth and Reconciliation real in our community.





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Visit our **website** to learn more about everything in this guide. Waste collection, history, property taxes, Council and much more at the touch of your fingers!



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Our **mobile platform** gives you a fully customizable experience on your mobile device. Personalized waste collection schedules, community engagement opportunities and full event calendars.

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