

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF DURHAM EXPANDS WORK WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO HELP THE HOMELESS

Whitby, Ontario – As the cold weather approaches, The Regional Municipality of Durham continues to work with its community partners to help ensure those who are most vulnerable, primarily the homeless population in Durham, take the appropriate precautions and find an emergency shelter. The Region has also made enhancements to

available programs and services for the homeless. In the spring, the Region combined a Point in Time Count with a Registry Week to provide a profile and better understand homelessness in our community. A Point in Time Count surveys people experiencing sheltered or unsheltered homelessness. A Registry Week

surveys people who are provisionally accommodated (commonly known as "hidden homelessness" or "couch surfing"). There were 188 individuals surveyed. Preliminary results indicate that less than 15 per cent of those surveyed were living unsheltered in our community. "The information obtained from the

Point in Time Count and Registry Week informed our program and service planning," said Alan Robins, Director of Housing Services. "As a result, we are better able to connect those living unsheltered in our community with available resources. Innovative and collaborative work has been undertaken on behalf of the Region of Durham, Social Services and Health departments, Cornerstone Community Association, Salvation Army, Durham Regional Police Service (DRPS), the local area municipalities, and other support agencies."

The Region also created the Oshawa Unsheltered Residents Task Force (OUR Task Force). This working group includes key representatives from the Region, City of Oshawa, Carea Community Health Centre, Cornerstone, DRPS, John Howard Society and other social services organizations. New programs and services to address homelessness are outlined below.

Cornerstone expanded their services in 2018 to include a Bridges Street Outreach Program. The outreach team works to build relationships with those living unsheltered by providing practical services, such as showers, laundry services, personal hygiene care packages, food services, referrals to medical supports and assistance with finding housing. The team works as long-term case managers for clients.

The Salvation Army Housing Retention Program is an evidence-based program that works to obtain permanent housing for those who are the most vulnerable to homelessness by securing two and three-bedroom homes and apartments that individuals within the program can share. The program seeks out community-centered landlords who want to make a difference, and pairs them with individuals who would not otherwise be likely candidates for rental opportunities. The first Durham Landlord Symposium was held on September 13 at the Ajax Convention Centre to highlight the details of the program. Twelve landlords and property managers attended the presentation. All of those who were present have expressed an interest in working with the Salvation Army's Housing Retention Program.

DRPS is launching a new mobile response team to help vulnerable persons in our community, in partnership with the Region of Durham, Health and Social Services departments; Lakeridge Health – Oshawa; the University of Ontario Institute of Technology; and the Durham Elder Abuse Network (DEAN). Current program and service updates are included below. The Primary Care Outreach Pilot was introduced in July 2018. This mobile outreach unit connects an advanced care paramedic and a social worker with individuals who may be homeless, dealing with mental health or addiction issues, or unable to seek medical care, counselling, or other services. From July 23 to August 31, the Region connected with 77 individuals. Of these individuals, 25 were referred to other community partners; and five were housed or have move in dates for new homes. The pilot has been approved by Regional Council to run until February 2019. After February 2019 the continuance of the pilot will be evaluated.

In December 2017, Regional Council approved funding for 30 additional subsidized housing units to be filled by applicants on the Durham Access to Social Housing (DASH) wait list by date of application. To date, 10 individuals experiencing homelessness or at immediate risk of homelessness have moved into permanent, affordable housing.

"Ending homelessness in Durham is one of the key goals of the Region's housing plan," said Robins. "At Home in Durham, the Durham Housing Plan 2014-2024, is an integrated housing plan that lays out the Region's vision for housing during the next 10 years. The housing plan reinforces our commitment to developing long-term innovative approaches to help individuals access and retain housing."



TAKE 5
Dance Studios

Our BRAND NEW 5,000 square foot facility

Our BRAND NEW 5,000 square foot facility houses 3 large studios under one roof. Each studio is well equipped with Rosco professional sprung dance floors, over 18 feet ceilings, professional sound systems, mirrors (floor length), and mounted barres. Our new location also has plenty of parking, a waiting area, change rooms for both girls and boys, bathrooms, teacher area, office, and lots of storage.

864 Taunton Rd W, Oshawa, 905.576.4167



THE BARN
ELITE PERFORMANCE CENTRE

HOCKEY THE BARN YARD NINJA WARRIOR LACROSSE

2 REAL Ice Pads
5,500sq ft of Ninja Warrior Course
Full Fitness Facility...and MORE!

870 Taunton Road West
Just West of Thornton Road
(289) 481-1046



Apple Tree PHARMACY
A Promise Beyond Prescriptions

FREE Local Delivery

Come in and see your neighborhood Pharmacists

Our Services Include...

- Compliance Packaging
- Diabetic Support
- Seasonal Flu Shots
- Easy Prescription Transfer
- Medication Review
- Medication Disposal

20% Senior's Discount on all OTCS & Health Products

All Drug Plans Accepted. We reduce the co-pay by \$2.00 for ODB eligible patients

FREE Bayer Contour BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITOR & MICROLET LANCETS 100s \$74.99

With the purchase of 100 Countour Test Strips for only

Buy 1 get 1 FREE or 9.99 EACH Preferred EC ASA 81 mg Daily Low Dose 150 TABLETS (BONUS Pack)

Offers cannot be combined with any other discounts

5-1345 King St East | OSHAWA
CALL 905.434.5005 TODAY!
Mon - Fri. 7:30am - 5:30pm * Sat. 10am - 4pm



INGINO FOR MAYOR OF OSHAWA

INGINO.ORG

I Represent You. As I am One Of You.
I Represent You. As I am One Of You.

Oshawa the crown jewel of Durham has sat dormant for way to long. **The time has come to awaken the sleeping giant and turn it into a GIANT opportunity for all to prosper.**

I am a local business owner and know the value of hard work. I know how hard we must all work to pay those never ending bills. I am tired of property tax increases only to see first hand the waste of tax payers dollars on frivolous expenditure. I share with you the hardships and the many economic worries we endure on a daily basis. Most importantly I respect and observe with great conviction the importance of our voice in our community.

For the past 25 years as the city newspaper editor and publisher. I have listened to the many concerns of our citizens. From public safety across the city to emergency responder logistics issues. From the retailers and merchants of our core left to fend for themselves to the many needs of those less fortunate. How they have been forgotten by our municipal elect. People feel isolated and left to fend for themselves. This will change.

I am a strong supporter of our community. I believe that much like our city slogan, "PREPARE TO BE AMAZED". We prepared long enough. It is time to streamline this corporation and work in the best interest of tax payers.

It is time to bring good paying jobs back to Oshawa and assure that we keep GM and at the same time work hard to assist business/commerce/retailers to prosper through creative incentives and initiatives. Our children's future should be our priority and will be our priority. We must assure that future generations have the jobs that will keep them living in Oshawa. Under my administration I will work hard with industry/trade and commerce and higher learning institutions to bring opportunity to Oshawa. We live in a City that has sat dormant for two long. It is time to awaken our potential and with **YOUR** help we can do that in 2018.

I am a strong believer that we all need to do our part in our community. I have served our community and will continue to serve once in office.

Here are some of the hands on groups I am proud to be associated with:

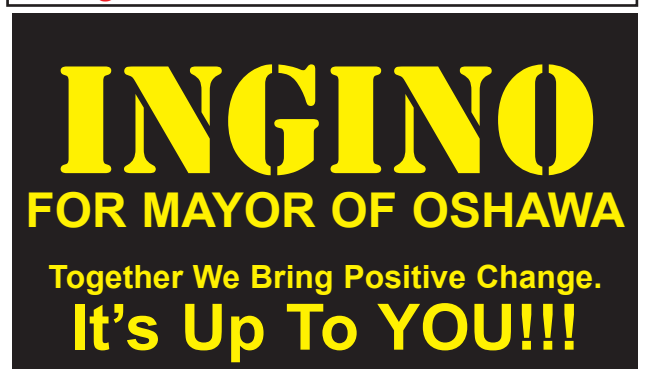
- I am proud member and supporter of:
The Royal Legion Branch 43, Member since 2014.
- **Former Kiwanis Westmount (Oshawa)**
Former Fundraising Chair 2015, Chaired the Public Relations/Media committee.
- **Proud Member of Kinsmen of Oshawa** since 2015.
- **Former Rotary Club of Courtice**
Member 2015 served as Secretary 2017 - 2018.
- Proud MASON LOGE No 649 Oshawa Member 2016.
- **Former Courtice Lions Club**, since Member 2015 appointed club (Director) and Chair - Santa Parade Chair 2016 Committee. During the same time Chair - Public Relations/Media Committee 2017 and Member of fundraising committee 2017 as well as Chair of Membership 2017. Elected as Vice President -2017-18
- **Proud member Moose Lodge 2132** Oshawa Lodge 2132/WOTM Chapter 1759 Member, Member 2015.
- **Oshawa Naval Veterans Club** Member Member 2015.
- **Proud member of WING 420** Member 2017.

There is no greater reward than that of serving our community. To work for the betterment of society at large. As your NEW Mayor I will assure you that the betterment of your life will be my priority. Through partnerships with industry/trade/commerce/investors/developers and most importantly. **'YOU' OUR COMMUNITY**

One of our first mandates will be to strengthen our relation with the Province and the Federal Government. Oshawa will reap the rewards that other municipalities enjoy today. We may be been dormant for too long, but we are not forgotten. It is time to awake the GIANT we are and become the exemplary City we all know we can be.

In 2018. It is about wanting change. We know the status quo idles progress. **IDLE NO MORE.**

THANK YOU
Joe Ingino



INGINO
FOR MAYOR OF OSHAWA

Together We Bring Positive Change.
It's Up To YOU!!!