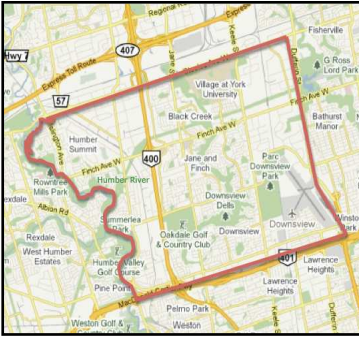


# BLACK CREEK NEWCOMER NEWS

The Black Creek Newcomer News is produced by the Black Creek Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) project. The LIP is a collection of social service agencies, Black Creek residents, and other organizations who have come together to improve the settlement experiences of newcomers to the Black Creek area.



## LIP MEMBER AGENCIES

- \* Centre for Spanish Speaking Peoples
- \* City of Toronto
- \* COSTI Immigrant Services
- \* Delta Family Resource Centre—Trustee
- \* Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services
- \* Elspeth Heyworth Centre for Women
- \* Humber College
- \* Jamaican Canadian Association
- \* Jane/Finch Community and Family Centre
- \* Jewish Vocational Services Toronto
- \* Manantial Neighbourhood Services
- \* North York Community House
- \* Newcomer Representatives
- \* Northwood Neighbourhood Services
- \* Seneca College
- \* Toronto Public Health
- \* The Bowen Foundation
- \* Working Women Community Centre
- \* YMCA of Greater Toronto
- \* York University

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## FREE Youth Programming and Tutoring in Black Creek

**Manantial Neighbourhood Services** offers youth between 13 and 18 years of age educational and counseling support through fun activities. Every Thursday from 5:45pm-7:30pm; 1875 Sheppard Ave. West *Call 416 915 0997*

**Friends in Trouble (FIT)** offers free educational programming for youth: Girls Academic Program, After-school Essentials and Parents in Education. *Call Paula at 416 635 0348 or 416 887 4664 after hours*

**Youth Assisting Youth at Blacksmith Public School** offers one-on-one tutoring, group tutoring, reading help, homework club for JK to Grade 8. *Call Sandeep Singh at 416 932 1919*

**Parks and Recreation** offers youth programming.  
<http://www.toronto.ca/parks/engagement/youthleadership.htm>

## ENGLISH CLASSES & SERVICES in BLACK CREEK

**The Bowen Foundation**  
Offers **free ESL** classes out of Carmine Stefano Community Centre (3100 Weston Rd.)  
Classes are from Monday-Friday, 9:00AM-2:30PM  
*Call 416 401 8999*

**Seneca College**  
Offers Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (**LINC**) for youth 18-25 years old, Levels 3-7, 9AM-2:30PM Monday-Friday  
*Call 416 491 5050 x 4789*

**Toronto Public Libraries**  
Downsview, Humber Summit, Jane Sheppard and Yorkwoods locations offer Leading to Reading. Children grades 1-6 get help with reading and homework. Registration required. *Visit [www.torontopubliclibrary.ca](http://www.torontopubliclibrary.ca) or call 416 393 7131*

**The Spot** at Yorkgate Mall offers youth 13-30 years old free settlement programs, Brothers We'll Become (boys group), It's a G-Thang (girls group), and the Graffiti Transformation Program. The Spot is a safe place for youth to go. *Call 416 663 2733 x 290*

**Northwood Neighbourhood Services** offers a youth program that includes recreation, music programs, and life skills workshops. **On October 12th, from 4-5pm** there will be a 'You Speak, We Listen' session for youth to share their vision and ideas for this program. Contact [ahassan@northw.ca](mailto:ahassan@northw.ca)

**COSTI Immigrant Services**  
Offers Language Instruction for Newcomers to Canada (**LINC**) levels 1-4, Monday to Friday, 9am-2:30pm. Childminding is offered for children 18 months to 5 years old, from 9AM-12PM.  
*Call 416 244 9980 or [Arnone@costi.org](mailto:Arnone@costi.org)*

**Emery Collegiate Institute**  
Offers **Adult ESL** classes, Tuesday to Thursday, 6:45PM-8:45PM  
*Call 416 338 4300*

**North York Community House** offers a homework club for children from 6-12 years old, and also, Mobile Youth Settlement which offers peer settlement support through homework clubs, movie nights, conversation circles and games nights.  
*Contact [ducas@nych.ca](mailto:ducas@nych.ca)*

**Doorsteps Neighbourhood Services** offers 3 afterschool programs: Daystrom Public School Amesbury Public School and at 48 Tumpene Street. All three programs incorporate homework help, a healthy snack and physical activities. *Call Adam Ali 416 243 5480 x 28 or [aali@doorsteps.ca](mailto:aali@doorsteps.ca)*

### Looking for Services?

Call 211 or visit [www.blackcreekcacity.ca/BCCconnect](http://www.blackcreekcacity.ca/BCCconnect) for a list of services in the Black Creek area, or 311 for City Programs (garbage collection, daycares, etc)

### Thanksgiving in Canada

Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October, and was meant to give thanks for the harvest of crops. Canadians celebrate Thanksgiving by spending time with family, having big family dinners, or just enjoying the extra day off work!

