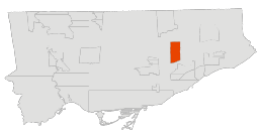




United Way
Greater Toronto

Dorset Park Community Hub

2025



24,770 people live in the Dorset Park neighbourhood.



14.5% is the unemployment rate for the neighbourhood, compared to 13.8% for the city as a whole.



13% of families are living on low incomes.



52.8% of the neighbourhood population has post-secondary education. (62.4% City-wide)



12.5% of the population are youth aged 15-24 years old.

The Neighbourhood of Dorset Park

The neighbourhood of Dorset Park is located in the Kennedy Road and Ellesmere Road area of Scarborough. It boasts a rich collection of cultures, with almost 59.7 per cent of the community are immigrants. But the Dorset Park neighbourhood also faces barriers to reaching its full potential. It is highly built-up, with few green spaces or recreational areas, particularly in the north end of the

neighbourhood. There is also a high concentration of poverty—13 per cent of families live on low incomes and 30.7 per cent of households spend 30 per cent or more of their income on shelter costs. Most low-income families are also clustered in the north and south ends of Dorset Park, isolated from important community supports. Local youth also lack access to safe public spaces and programs and services.



Dorset Park Community Hub

Size: 10,000 Square Feet

Opened: November 2012

Agencies in Hub: ACSA Community Services (lead agency)

- Black Youth Jobs
- Chinese Canadian National Council Toronto
- Dorset Park Neighbourhood Association (DPNA)
- John Howard Society
- Circle Community Land Trust
- Madison Community Services
- Reconnect Community Health Services
- VHA Home HealthCare
- Extra Mile Ministries

Services: Employment supports, including everything from workshops to one-on-one employment counselling and entrepreneurship supports; home care and community services to support independent living; support for families living with mental health challenges; basic needs support, including a community food centre, support for men who have been in conflict with the law, including substance abuse counselling; youth programming and services, including help for youth transitioning from gang involvement; settlement services for newcomers, including support for women in forced marriages and refugee support programs; housing support services, and programs to enhance youth educational attainment.

Since it opened its doors, the Hub has had a significant impact in the community (updated as of Mar. 2025):

