



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

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Clarington’s Community Services programs and initiatives continue to attract residents and grow in popularity

Clarington’s Community Services Department had a very busy and successful year in 2018. In its annual year-end review, the Community Services Department provided Council with a snapshot of the many programs, activities and initiatives that continue to build a steady following and grow in popularity.

From aquatic programs to fitness and wellness programming, there’s an increase in demand across the community. In 2018, public skating also saw an increase in attendance with 11,000 participants strapping on their skates throughout the year.

Clarington Camps remain highly popular and continue to experience growth year-over-year, often reaching maximum registration before the start of camp.

In 2018, Clarington’s 55+ Active Adults programming saw a huge jump in both registered and drop-in programs. The popular program offers a wide range of leisure opportunities that promote wellness, personal growth, and fitness to residents 55 years of age or older.

The arena floor on Pad A at Garnet B. Rickard Recreation Complex was replaced in 2018, extending the life of the floor for at least 30 years. Renovations were also completed at South Courtice Arena and Diane Hamre Recreation Complex to provide space for two youth centres.

For more information or to learn more about the programs and services provided by the Community Services Department, see [Report CSD-002-19](#).

Community Services staff recognized for their fast and calm response during a critical incident at the Courtice Community Complex

On March 18, Mayor Foster and Clarington Council recognized five Community Services staff members for their calm and cool response in an emergency situation. Kaitlyn Bennett, Andrew Davey, Mason Hawrychuk, Sidney Judd, and Sajida Kadri were presented with a certificate recognizing their outstanding work during an incident at the Courtice Community Complex where a car crashed through the front doors plunging into the tot pool.

“On behalf of Council, I want to thank you for your courage and professional response during an incredibly harrowing situation. You make us proud, thank you,” said Mayor Foster.



Photo above: Clarington Council presents staff from Community Services with certificate of appreciation



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