

### Tornado Recovery Updates & Resources

The City continues to provide information and updates for those affected by the July 15 tornado. Visit [barrie.ca/TornadoRecovery](http://barrie.ca/TornadoRecovery).

#### TORNADO ASSISTANCE LINE

Phone: **705-726-4242**  
Central phone line for anyone who needs assistance related to the tornado, managed by Service Barrie.

#### BUILDING DEPARTMENT

Phone: **705-728-8442**  
(ask for Building Department, tornado support)  
Email: [building.official@barrie.ca](mailto:building.official@barrie.ca)

#### PROVINCIAL DISASTER RECOVERY ASSISTANCE

On July 29, the Government of Ontario announced that its Disaster Recovery Assistance has been activated for eligible homeowners, tenants, small owner-operated businesses and farms, and not-for-profit organizations within parts of our municipal boundary that were most affected by the tornado. The application deadline for this program is **Friday, November 26, 2021**.

Disaster Recovery Assistance for Ontarians (DRAO) is a provincial program designed to help people affected by natural disasters get back on their feet. The program provides assistance for emergency expenses and costs to repair or replace essential property. It is not a replacement for insurance.

If you are interested in submitting an application or learning more about this provincial program, please visit [ontario.ca/disasterassistance](http://ontario.ca/disasterassistance) for program guidelines, frequently asked questions, application forms and more.

Please note that this is a program run by the province. If you need help with your application or have questions please write directly to the province at [disasterassistance@ontario.ca](mailto:disasterassistance@ontario.ca) or contact the information line at **1-877-822-0116**.



### Summer Heat Safety Tips

Did you know that Barrie Fire & Emergency Service receives calls each year for heat-related illnesses? Here are some tips to keep you and your pets safe during the summer heat:

- During extreme heat, find somewhere to keep cool or cool down, like a place with air conditioning, a pool, or splash pad;
- Drink lots of fluids and stay hydrated;
- Avoid heavy physical exercise in extreme heat;
- Keep blinds closed during the day to keep your rooms cooler.

For safety reasons, remember to only plug air conditioners directly into wall outlets, and never use extension cords.

Your pets feel the heat just like you do! Pets should never be left unattended in a hot vehicle. The Fire Protection and Prevention Act allows firefighters to enter vehicles to rescue and remove animals in distress. If you see an animal in a hot car in distress and are concerned the animal's life is in danger, call 911 immediately.

For more summer heat safety tips, visit "Seasonal Safety" via [barrie.ca/BFES](http://barrie.ca/BFES)

### Road Construction Update

Construction begins this week (week of August 4) on Mapleview Drive East from Madelaine Drive to Yonge Street. Expect delays and take alternate routes where possible. Construction will lay the groundwork for development and is required to accommodate future traffic volume.

Visit the construction project webpage via [barrie.ca/roadwork](http://barrie.ca/roadwork) for updates.



### about road safety in the community!

The City wants to gain resident feedback about road safety concerns and speed reductions in the community.

Share your ideas about traffic calming measures and complete a five-question survey asking for thoughts about speed limits, the effectiveness of traffic safety measures, and other road safety concerns.

**SUBMIT YOUR THOUGHTS AT:**  
[buildingbarrie.ca/RoadSafety](http://buildingbarrie.ca/RoadSafety) by August 31.

## Did you know?

In 2020, the **Small Business Centre** of Barrie, Simcoe County and Orillia completed:

**380** business consultations

Thinking about starting a business and need expert advice? Connect with the **Small Business Centre** today.

[barriebusinesscentre.ca](http://barriebusinesscentre.ca)

## five green bin tips

Keep your green bin happy in the summer



- 1) Wrap food waste in newspaper, boxboard or certified compostable liners before placing in the bin.
- 2) Clean your green bin regularly and keep the lid tightly closed.
- 3) Empty the small kitchen bin into the large curbside bin often, before food starts decomposing.
- 4) Freeze food scraps in acceptable bin liners before placing in the curbside bin.
- 5) Place your bin out for collection every week on your scheduled day, even if it's only half full.



Visit [barrie.ca/CurbsideCollection](http://barrie.ca/CurbsideCollection) for information about organics collection in Barrie, including acceptable items, liners, and FAQs.



The trailer is filled with outdoor sports equipment and a mobile skateboard park, that will pop up in various City parks and recreation facilities throughout the summer season!

Learn more and view the schedule at [barrie.ca/SummerFunTrailer](http://barrie.ca/SummerFunTrailer)



## reminder

Diapers accepted at the landfill for free during the summer



From May 1 to October 31, residents can dispose of a maximum of two (2) clear bags of diapers per week at the landfill (maximum weight: 20kg/bag) at no charge. Bags must consist solely of diapers. Proof of residency is required.

[barrie.ca/landfill](http://barrie.ca/landfill)