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The Regional Municipality of York to celebrate opening of new Community Environmental Centre in the City of Vaughan

New reuse and recycling-focused CEC will divert more waste from landfill

NEWMARKET – The Regional Municipality of York will celebrate the official opening of our first Community Environmental Centre (CEC) in the City of Vaughan on Thursday, July 2nd. This new facility, operated in partnership with charitable agencies Goodwill Industries and Habitat for Humanity York Region, is the first of its kind in York Region and will provide residents with a convenient one-stop location for reuse, recycling and disposal.

Media are invited to attend the event which will include speeches, a ribbon cutting and facility tours.

WHEN: Thursday, July 2nd from 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

WHERE: York Region McCleary Court CEC
130 McCleary Court
City of Vaughan



SPEAKERS:

- Bill Fisch, York Region Chairman and CEO
- Linda Jackson, City of Vaughan Mayor
- Mario Ferri, City of Vaughan Regional Councillor and Chair of the Region's Solid Waste Committee
- Erin Mahoney, York Region Environmental Services Commissioner
- Bryon Disera, Habitat for Humanity York Region Re-Store Manager
- Ken Connelly, Goodwill Industries

PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES:

Speeches, ribbon-cutting, unveiling of facility plaque, reusable material donation and facility tours

BACKGROUND:

The new McCleary Court CEC will help York Region divert even more reusable and recyclable materials from landfill each year. York Region has partnered with Goodwill Industries and Habitat for Humanity York Region to ensure quality reusable goods are returned to the community and given a second life.

The new CEC looks like a community centre, featuring attractive architecture, outdoor container canopies and extensive landscaping. The reuse building has been designed and constructed to meet the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver standard for sustainable development with a focus on energy and water conservation, use of recycled construction materials and minimization of waste.

For more information on York Region waste management programs and services, please visit www.york.ca/waste

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