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Clarington Public Library, Museums & Archives Orono Accessibility Project Update

September 18, 2023—The Orono Accessibility Project is underway at the Clarington Library, Museum & Archives, Orono Library.

The Orono Accessibility Project will enhance public accessibility through renovating the Orono Library, with the installation of a fully accessible entrance and universal washroom. The upgrades will be accomplished by renovating the library's current non-fiction room at the back of the house, which used to be the summer kitchen. In addition to the accessibility enhancements, the décor will be getting a fresh new look to modernize the space and honor the unique and beautiful heritage of the building.

“We're thrilled to be moving ahead with the project,” states Monika Machacek, CEO, Clarington Library, Museums, and Archives. “As a community resource, it's vital for us to ensure that people of every ability can access and enjoy library services and resources. Orono is a thriving community, and the Library Board and administration are happy to see continued investment in the library and community.”

Community donations complimenting the Victorian home's beautiful heritage and décor are being invited. Members of the public can reach out to Heather Ridge, Curator and Heritage Services Manager, at hridge@cplma.ca or at (905) 623-2734 for more information. Monetary donations are also being accepted and greatly appreciated at www.cplma.ca/donations.

While every effort has been made to maintain current operating hours, **there will be a temporary closure Monday, September 25th to Sunday, October 1st. Regular operating hours will resume Monday, October 1st pending no construction delays.** We apologize for any inconvenience this temporary closure may cause and invite residents to visit our other locations in Bowmanville, Newcastle, and Courtice or access our services online at www.cplma.ca.

For more information about the Orono Accessibility Project and answers to frequently asked questions, please visit the library website at www.cplma.com/oronoaccessibility.

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