

## **Pickering Continues to Bridge the Digital Gap with PPL Connect**

Who: Mayor David Ryan, Pickering Public Library, and Pickering Residents

What: Community shares its PPL Connect Experience

Where: One The Esplanade S, Pickering, ON.

When: February 14, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

Pickering, ON, February 10, 2017 – As part of its commitment to accessible technology and innovative learning, the City of Pickering invites residents to share their experiences in using the Pickering Public Library's PPL Connect program.

Bridging library services into homes and classrooms, this free service is enhancing the community through education and innovative technology across Pickering and the Durham District School Board.

By providing current technology and skills applicable to the workplace, the initiative connects students, seniors, new Canadian citizens, and more, with free Internet access, learning tools and informational resources.

For more information on PPL Connect, please visit [picnet.org/pplconnect](http://picnet.org/pplconnect).

Pickering is a recognized Smart21 Community of 2017 by the Intelligent Community Forum, providing free education on the skills needed to be successful in today's technological environment. Committed to intelligent community development, Pickering aims to create a more connected, engaged, inclusive, and sustainable City to enhance economic growth and provide employment opportunities.

For more information on Pickering's Smart21 initiatives please visit [pickering.ca/smart](http://pickering.ca/smart).

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As the gateway to the east GTA, Pickering (population 94,000) is strategically located where Toronto, York and Durham Regions meet. An award-winning municipality, Pickering is slated for significant economic and residential growth; offering an unparalleled quality of life for those who live, work, and play here. Its dynamic City Centre has been designated by the Province of Ontario as both an Urban Growth Centre and Mobility Hub, and continues to evolve as a preferred destination for creative learning, memorable events, and unique experiences at the heart of a vibrant, connected, and engaged community. To celebrate both Canada's and Ontario's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2017, the City of Pickering invites residents and visitors to share in the unique experiences related to Arts, Culture, Heritage, Diversity, Environment, Youth, Sports Excellence, Innovation and Accessibility. Visit [pickering.ca/150](http://pickering.ca/150) to get involved.



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