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## Clarington Public Library, Museums & Archives Embarking on Orono Accessibility Project

June 22, 2022—Clarington Public Library, Museums & Archives is excited to announce that the Orono Branch will be undergoing renovations to enhance public accessibility.

The Orono Accessibility Project will result in the installation of a fully accessible entrance and universal washroom. The upgrades will be accomplished by renovating the branch's current non-fiction room at the back of the house, which used to be the summer kitchen.

"This is an exciting project for us to be launching" states Monika Machacek, the CEO of Clarington Public Library, Museums & Archives. "Library & Museums are a community resource, and we want to ensure that people of every ability are able to access library services. The Library is a well-loved part of the Orono community, and the Library Board and I are happy to see investments in this branch that will continue to enhance services to residents."

The process will involve opportunities for public input to help gauge what future services community members would like to see at the Orono Branch. "We want to learn more about how the community uses the branch and help inform in future opportunities," continues Ms. Machacek. "The branch is an intrinsic part of the Orono community fabric; it's important to ensure we can continue to meet and exceed residents' needs."

The renovation process is expected to begin this fall. Every effort will be made to maintain current operating hours, but there may be intermittent noise disruptions or limited access to parts of the collection.

For more information about the Orono Accessibility Project and opportunities for public input, please visit the Library website at <a href="https://www.clarington-library.on.ca/oronoaccessibility">www.clarington-library.on.ca/oronoaccessibility</a>.

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