

*We Would Like to Thank
Our Volunteers for
Supporting
This Event!!*



- ♦ *Kajenthini*
- ♦ *Kajana*
- ♦ *Rafi*
- ♦ *Nichole*
- ♦ *Chris*
- ♦ *Ruth*
- ♦ *George*



*Thanks to Our
Special Guests
& Outreach
Committee*

- ♦ *Paul Gottschalk
Superintendent, 43
Division*
- ♦ *Lori Metcalfe, West Hill
CS*
- ♦ *Dianne Edwards, West
Hill CS*
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Girls Club of East
Scarborough*
- ♦ *Sharron Williams,
Youthlink*



**COMMUNITY
SPEAK**

**“COMMUNITY
SAFETY”**

SUMMARY

**MAY 9,
2006**

**EAST SCARBOROUGH
STOREFRONT**

Community Speak Summary May 9, 2006

A wonderfully diverse group of around 85 people both young and old and all ages in between met on May 9th at the Storefront. After a light dinner the fun began with groups using a variety of supplies to build bridges between two chairs. The uniqueness of each bridge certainly represented the uniqueness of this community and the ability of each group to work together and create such masterpieces was also a tribute to the strength of this community.

Anne reported on the positive events surrounding the funding of the Storefront and shared with us the importance of everything the community has done to help make this happen – from Marching to signing petitions – you helped make this dream a reality. She assured us all that as soon as she had official confirmation of our new space she would share this information with the community.

Lori Metcalfe introduced us to the new Police **Superintendent from 43 Division – Paul Gottschalk**. Paul shared with us his vision for this community that includes many of our ideas from past community speaks events. More visibility of police and more police officers on the street are a couple of things that he has already made happen for us in this community.

*After a stretch break we
got to
work on three questions.
This is
what you shared with us.*

How can we make safety a priority in this community?

- Neighbourhood watch by all of us is very important, we need to know our community and what is happening in it
- Continued visibility of the police in our community
- Activities for our youth
- Communication amongst our community members and the police and our community agencies
- Work as a community to keep our community clean
- Encourage community participation and ensure that as much of the community as possible is aware of things affecting the safety of our community
- During times of crisis we need help available for our community

How can the Storefront help Make our community a safe place?

- Education programs
- Continue to hold events that bring the community together
- Activities for all community members and especially for youth
- Open on Saturday and have more counselors available

What should we do at future Community Speaks events?

- Have more events and encourage as much participation as possible from the community and especially from our youth
- Keep us informed about the future of the Storefront
- Include topics such as health, settlement services, legal information, skills training, housing and recreation activities such as arts and crafts
- Involve our politicians

*The evening wrapped up
with George encouraging
our community to volunteer
and door prizes.*