



# ANNUAL REPORT 2018 April 01, 2017 - March 31, 2018





## **MISSION STATEMENT**

Regent Park Focus is a not-for-profit organization that was established in 1990 to counter negative stereotypes about the Regent Park community and provide interventions to high risk youth living in the area.

We are motivated by the belief that participatory media practices can play a vital role in addressing local needs and development priorities, as well as support the work of building and sustaining healthy communities.

Today Regent Park Focus serves as a community learning centre for new media, digital arts, and radio & television broadcasting. We provide a community facility dedicated to the training and mentorship of young people and the engagement of community members of all ages.

## **REGENT PARK FOCUS IS DEDICATED TO:**

• the development of best practices in training, education, and engagement of young people in new media, radio and television broadcast arts.

• the creation and broadcast of media content that is relevant to the information needs, interests, and health of young people as well as the broader society.

- building social cohesion by using digital and broadcast mediums to regularly profile the neighbourhood's cultural life and provide community members with opportunities to learn about each other, voice their experiences, share their stories, and explore issues of relevance.
- providing collectives, community agencies, and residents of the City of Toronto with opportunities to access and participate in media broadcasting.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our 2017-2018 year at Focus was successful on multiple levels. From community engagement to corporate partnerships, cultural events to civic engagements, creative media production to slamming poetry nights, it has been a memorable year. It was also the year that I was fortunate to be elected President, and together with all the directors of the board we have continued supporting our Executive Director, contract staff, summer staff, volunteers, coordinators and community stakeholders.

One of our goals in 2017-2018 was to reach out and build relationships with corporate donors. To this end Focus successfully participated in the I Heart Neighbourhood Charity Auction—a unique collaborative fundraising event. The event was held on Tuesday, February 2018 at Daniels Spectrum. Focus raised \$23,070.00 through our corporate partners and individual donors. Our hope is to make this an annual campaign.



Another important goal was to revise, our Letters Patent to better reflect the changing nature of our work and the changing face of the community we serve. In order to successfully fulfill this mandate, we took the opportunity to measure our 2012-2017 strategic plan and begin development on a new strategic 5-year plan. The new year will also bring changes to the face of the board of directors as many of our current directors' terms will come to an end. Focus will be actively recruiting new board members over the next year.

On that note, we thank the following directors for their unwavering commitment and service to Focus:

On behalf of the board of directors and the Focus community, I thank Haroldene "Deany" Peters for her unwavering long term commitment as resident, founding member, advisor, and mentor who served for nine years as a director (including her service as President). As a long time resident of Regent Park, Deany's wealth of community knowledge, institutional herstory, and her lived experience continue their legacy in supporting Focus' journey forward. During my early years on the Focus Board, it was Deany to whom I looked to for guidance, and I continue to be inspired by her legacy. We wish Deany much success in her endeavours.

On behalf of the board I wish to also thank Ian Esquivel for his leadership, kinship, and his service as President of Focus during the 2017-2018 year. Ian not only brought a sense of camaraderie to the board meetings, he also brought food—cookies, fruit, and juices! An experienced teacher and media educator with the Toronto District School Board (TDSB) system and a member of the Association of Media Literacy, Ian openly shared his wealth of educational tools, which directly impacted our policies, procedures, and processes that were instrumental in mapping out a direction for Regent Park Focus. Focus will continue to be inspired by Ian's leadership, and we wish him well on his future endeavours.

It has been an amazing year and we will continue our growth into the next year. I sincerely thank our ED, Adonis Huggins along with my fellow directors Erdine Hope, Wallo Plummer, Manuel Gitterman, and Paul Weitzman for their continued support, understanding and love.

Cyrus Sundar Singh, President of the Board of Directors

## MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Once again it has been my pleasure to work with our dedicated staff team to help steer Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre (Focus) through another memorable year of programming. And what a year it was!

It's often difficult to explain the breadth of work that goes on at Focus. In fact, given all the work we do, it can be disheartening to hear that some long-time residents have little knowledge of who we are and what we do.

Perhaps this is understandable as the Focus facility is located in the bowels of a non-descript building on Regent Street, far from the architectural gems of the Daniels Spectrum, the Regent Park Community Centre, and the Aquatic Centre, all of which attract thousands of visitors yearly.

Furthermore, as a youth-serving agency, Focus is unusual as it lacks many of the ingredients considered important for successful youth programming. For example, Focus does not run basketball programs or even have a gym. It does not have mirrored dance rooms, ping pong, or foosball tables. And Focus does not have a kitchen for cooking programs or a youth drop-in lounge.

Instead Focus' unique programming is centered entirely around media arts and digital studios. The program offers young people the opportunity to learn life skills and engage with staff, media professionals, and artists in a variety of structured skill development workshops and experiential, hands-on learning activities involving television production, radio production, music production, gaming design, photography and more.

In 2017, over 210 youth registered and attended weekly programs held at the Focus facility. Additionally, as part of its educational partnerships, Focus delivered outreach programs to over 130 students in 5 high schools across the GTA. And through its community partnerships, Focus provided sustained program activities to 200 youth in partnership with several community groups including UTS International Exchange, Heart to Heart, Pathways Lawrence Heights and Neighbourhood Link serving Crescent town. All this is impressive, but Focus is much more than a youth-serving agency.

Focus was established to counter negative stereotypes about public housing residents and sought to do this by engaging the community to tell their own stories. What began in 1993 as an after-school video project about stereotypes has evolved to **Regent Park TV**, an innovative 24-hour community access television station serving the Regent Park neighbourhood. **Regent Park TV** broadcasts an array of original community produced work that can be viewed on Rogers Cable 991 and the **Regent Park TV** YouTube channel. That's not all, Focus's long running **Catch da Flava Youth Radio Show**, which began its broadcasting debut in 1998 on U of T's CIUT 99.1 FM Radio, has evolved into **Radio Regent**, a community access digital radio station with a listenership that extends to 143 countries, 4,000 monthly listeners, and syndicated shows that are re-broadcast in Florida, New York, and across the Ethiopian Diaspora (via Megenagna Radio Show and Abbey Media).

Whether it's our programming with youth, showcasing the neighbourhood through **Regent Park TV**, or broadcasting around the world through **Radio Regent**, the work of Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre is something that deserves praise. We should all be proud of the progress, accomplishments and impact the organization has made over the years!

Adonis Huggins, Executive Director

## **CORE PROGRAMS**



### **REGENT PARK TV (RPTV)**

is a 24-hour closed-circuit television station that is programmed and operated by the Regent Park Focus Media Arts Centre. The station began broadcasting in May 2013, and it is accessible to Regent Park households on Rogers Cable 991 and to the general public on the Regent Park TV YouTube Channel.

RPTV produces content in a variety of formats including animation, news shows, documentaries, PSAs, talk shows, dramas and music videos.

Youth participants are taught a variety of skills including researching, interviewing, script development, storyboarding, studio camera operations, lighting control, directing, switchboard operating and digital editing.

### NEW MEDIA AND INDIE GAME DESIGN LAB

The New Media & Indie Game Lab is a creative studio that is dedicated to multidiciplinary digital arts including graphic design, digital photography and photoshop, blogging, audio editing, 3D rendering, video editing, game design and more. The lab is supported by workshop instuctors and staff. The lab is open daily to co-op students, interns and volunteers to work on their projects.

### **RADIO REGENT**

is a 24-hour internet radio station that is operated by Regent Park Focus and is publicly accessible on the internet and mobile devices. The station began broadcasting on January 1, 2012, and it serves as an alternative to mainstream commercial radio. Radio Regent provides the general public with free access to radio broadcasting and features a diverse array of original programming including music, spoken word, and news shows with an emphasis on youth and multi-cultural programming, social justice, and promoting local artists. Radio Regent has trusted listeners from 143 countries around the world and reaches a live audience of 4,000 monthly.

### **DIVA GIRLS MEDIA GROUP**

is a weekly after-school program for cultural diverse young women ages 13-17 years. The program provides an opportunity for young women to meet and engage in a variety of media production and healthy learning activities related to identity, self-esteem, health, and social justice.

### UNDERGROUND MUSIC RECORDING STUDIO PROGRAM

The Underground Music Recording Studio Program provides local youth with the opportunity to gain skills and experience in creating, mixing and mastering their own recorded materials. Participants create lyrics and learn from industry professionals in an on-site recording studio and an isolated sound booth.



## **MEMBERS STATS**

TOTAL YOUTH MEMBERS - 210		AG		ERS	MEM	MEMBER'S ACADEMIC STATUS				
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## WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA



### **OUTREACH**



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### MEMBERS' CULTURAL BACKGROUND





#### **DIVA GIRLS' MEDIA PROGRAM**

The DIVA Girls' Media Program continued their weekly afterschool activities around creative writing, spoken word, and performance art through a 2nd year of partnership with CANVAS Arts Action programs! Funded by Canadian Women's Foundation, the program annually gives culturally diverse young women the support and opportunity to express their identities and experiences through art making. This year the girls performed their spoken word art at a school trustee forum, an anti-Islamophobia Dialogue, and a public showcase at Art Square Café and Gallery. Bravo to all the participants!

#### LIGHTS, CAMERAS, AND ACTION!

Thanks to the Ministry of Culture's Ontario150 Partnership Program, Regent Park Focus worked with University of Toronto's Centre for Community Partnerships (CCP) and the IMANI program, to deliver a project called Lights, Cameras, and Action! Operating in multiple locations, this project provided media literacy training to Regent Park, Scarborough, and Crescent Town locations resulting in the engagement of 60 students from five different high schools and the production of a series on Black cultural identity called Black Experience TV. In addition to the engagement of high school students, the project worked with TNG's Kick Start Summer Camp to involve 70 children (ages 7-12) in producing hilarious, creative TV resources exploring citizenship and community called How We Can Change the World. Both series were screened before live audiences comprised of participants, parents, and community members. A screening of the work was also held before a large audience of students at University of Toronto as part of CCP's annual Alternative Reading Week. The two series are available for screening on the Regent Park TV YouTube channel.

#### 2018 YOUTH AND THE LAW MEDIA PROJECT

The 2018 Youth and the Law Media Project engaged two new partners, the Pathways to Education-Unison Health in Lawrence Heights and Downsview Community Legal Services. With funding support from the Law Foundation of Ontario and Koskie Minsky LLP, the Youth and the Law project annually promotes public legal education (PLE) through youth engagement with diverse justice sector representatives including Crown attorneys, criminal defence lawyers, and legal aid workers. As part of this year's project, youth participants in the Lawrence Heights area learned more about their rights regarding police carding and agent of landlord rules through discussions, role playing, and the production of short videos interviewing various legal professionals. The videos were also screened before the entire student body involved at the Pathways to Education program. A big thank you to Ontario Justice Education Network's Enisoné Kadiri and Grace Pluchino from Downsview Legal Clinic for helping to make this project a success.



The Diva's are performing spoken word.



Students from IMANI preparing their video scripts.



Focus helps students express ideas on changing the world.



Film crew from Lawrence Heights interviews peers on the law.



Interviewing residents for RP Past, Present and Future TV show.



The launch of Meet Your Neighbourhood Police RPTV series.



Press conference at Focus with Laura Albanese, Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration to announce recipients of the Multicultural Community Capacity Grant Program.



Regent Park Celebrating Media Literacy Week with Live stream as part of Democracy Talks.

#### **RPTV SOUNDBOARD**

RPTV Soundboard was an important two-year hyperlocal news project funded by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correction Services. The aim of the project was to support the creation of 50 media resources featuring events and news stories involving local residents and civic leaders, for the purposes of promoting safety and combating negative media stigma and social isolation. One of the resources developed through the Soundboard project was the RPTV series Meet Your Neighbourhood Police featuring dialogues with 51-Division officers, PC Ghotbi and PC Biga, about community-based policing. The Soundboard project also involved filming local events around the community as part of RPTV News, and studio interviews with Regent Park residents about their feelings of the community. This resulted in a new RPTV series, called Regent Park: Past, Present and Future, and a photography display at the annual Sunday in the Park. Soundboard also supported a 3 month partnership program at Eastdale Collegiate where 30 students engaged in video production training and produced RPTV shows on topics related to homophobia, promoting awareness of racist halloween costumes and the importance of healthy eating.

#### UNHEARD VOICES MEDIA PROJECT

Unheard Voices Media Project was a unique project involving George Brown College's Assaulted Women's Centre, Counterpoint Counselling and Barbara Schlifer Commemorative ClinicLegalServices. FundedbytheDepartmentofJusticeCanada the project centered around interviewing service providers and women with lived experiences of digital surveillance, stalking and gender-based violence for the development of a resource aimed at promoting awareness of criminal harassment. The resource is currently in its second phase of development. Many thanks to an incredible community research consultant, Marziya Yasmin, Ph.D., for guiding the outreach and data collection.

#### DEMOCRACY TALKS TV AND LIVESTREAM EVENT SERIES

Funding provided by the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration empowered Regent Park Focus to reach out to partners and develop a Democracy Talks TV and livestream event series aimed at using live streaming as a tool for reaching out to audiences and increasing local citizenship education. Two successful live streaming events were held: one on Media Literacy Week and the other on the roles and responsibilities of elected officials at all levels of government. The program has evolved to using live streaming technologies at Regent Park Focus to support the Community Civic Engagement Collaborative (CCEC) and the Regent Park Anti-Islamophobia Dialogue committee. Thank you to our partners YSM, RPCHC, CCL&D, CNH, CRC-40 Oaks, CSI-RP, Dixon Hall, SEAS, St. James Town Community Centre, K-Club, and residents.

#### "OUR EXPERIENCES, OUR IDENTITY... OUR STORIES"

In 2018, Regent Park TV teamed up with the Scadding Court Community Centre with the goal of collaborating on the development of an on-line educational resource on identity. As part of the collaboration, Regent Park Focus staff worked with 17 young teens from the Regent Park and Alexandra Park areas to facilitate the production of 17 short videos exploring issues on topics such as cultural identity, racism, fat shaming, bullying, institutionalization, Islamophobia, and homophobia. The videos are now being developed into an on-line curriculum package called, "Our Experiences, Our Identity...Our Stories" and disseminated to schools across Canada as a teaching tool.

#### **STORIES OF OURS**

In 2018, Regent Park TV was proud to collaborate with Erin King on Stories of Ours, which uses storytelling as a vehicle for social change. Happening bi-monthly at the Centre for Social Innovation in Regent Park, Regent Park TV's role was to film and edit the storytelling sessions for broadcast.



Youth from Regent Park and Alexander Park working together on Our Experiences, Our Identity, Our Stories Project

#### **RPTV CULTURE!**

RPTV Culture! had a strong finale to its threeyear pilot with new and amazing collaborations with multiple community groups. This included a series of films produced by youth involved in the Heart to Heart's program that fosters friendships between Palestinian and Jewish Israelis at a summer camp. The participants enjoyed production time in the Regent Park TV studio to bring their script productions to life! In addition, the Tibet TV series set a RPTV YouTube Channel record for online views over the year! Thank you to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for their support of RPTV Culture!

#### TORONTO FOUNDATION VITAL YOUTH GRANT AWARD

Thanks to the support of a Toronto Foundation Vital Youth Grant Award, Regent Park TV was able to add dramatic script and acting workshops to its curriculum of experiential media broadcast training. Through mentorship support provided by these workshops, participants were inspired to produce their own scripts and create several dramatic videos for broadcast.



Palestinian and Jewish youth celebrate the end of their video productions.



Filming of a youth script called Diego's story about an immigrant family coming to Canada.





Local resident, Christan "George" Yombo, prepares to host his show







Catch Da Flava Youth on the radio

#### SERVICE CANADA'S NEW HORIZONS

Radio Regent, with funding supported provided by Service Canada's New Horizons, was thrilled to launch a Seniorsfocused, participatory media-making opportunity this year. As a result, Radio Regent enhanced its capacity to support the social participation and inclusion of diverse seniors through the production of digital radio shows on topics such as financial burdens regarding the cost of medicine, living with dementia, senior housing issues, and ageism as well as highlighting senior benefits, cultural contributions, and local program resources. To learn more, please check out Timeless Generations hosted by Zenda Lee Yoo and an upcoming podcast called Zoom-Up. A multi-part RPTV series on seniors is also available for viewing on RPTV.

#### AFRICAN-FRANCOPHONE RADIO SHOW

Thanks to the Ministry of Francophone Affairs, Radio Regent was able to partner with Centre Communautaire des Africains Francophone to produce a TV series and add a weekly African-Francophone radio show on to the broadcast schedule. Radio Regent will continue to encourage multilingual content in our desire to engage diverse audiences! Special thanks to Christian "George" Yombo Christian for his dedicated contributions to promoting the French language all the way from his roots in sunny Cameroon to snowy Canada.

#### CATCH DA FLAVA & UNDERGROUND MUSIC STUDIO

Catch da Flava is a long-running, weekly youth show available on Radio Regent. Airing live on Tuesdays at 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., and available as a podcast, the show is dedicated to promoting community health and resiliency through conversations with youth and experts about sexual health, mental health, substance misuse/abuse, self-esteem, social identity and anti-oppression. The project also involves the Regent Park Focus Underground Music Studio and the engagement of young people in music creation, including youth involved in the justice system through a partnership with John Howard Society-Toronto (JHST). Guided by accomplished music educators, youth participants are supported to utilize the studio's digital musical equipment to make beats, learn song composition, and produce music reflecting their life experiences. Thanks to Toronto Urban Health Fund for its support of this project. Appreciation is also given to the SOCAN Foundation for supporting music education curriculum enhancements at Regent Park Focus.

Catch da Flava is a long-running, weekly youth radio show available on Radio Regent, Every Tuesday from 6-7pm.

#### **GAMING PROGRAM**

Recognizing that new media is a growing industry where technical computer programming skills are valuable, Regent Park Focus founded the Gaming Program in 2016 through the donation of computers from George Brown College. In 2017-18, with support from CIRA Foundation and Mozilla, Regent Park Focus was able to provide new workshops in app design, 3D modeling, and interactive storytelling. The program was even featured on the front page of CIRA's website! Regent Park Focus looks forward to future collaboration in this space, including with the Toronto Hive working group, now organized by Humber College.

#### I HEART NEIGHBOURHOOD CHARITY AUCTION

On Feb 13, 2018, a new star was born: I Heart Neighbourhood Charity Auction was a joint fundraising initiative by five local groups that raised \$121,000 collectively! An amazing event unfolded on that wintry night featuring live and silent auctions, artistic performances, video screenings, sponsored hospitality, and an energetic crowd. We look forward to making this an annual opportunity to celebrate the spirit of neighbourhood! Special thanks to The Neighbourhood Group (TNG) for their event coordination leadership as well as the Catalyst Centre and Koskie Minsky LLP for their valued support of the Regent Park Focus. Thank you to everyone for the incredible donations made at I Heart Neighbourhood!



Instructors Reila Ceh & Fernando Restituto are working with youth in the Game Lab.



I Heart Neighbourhood Charity Auction at Daniels Spectrum

#### **REGENT PARK FOCUS SUMMER PROGRAM**

Each summer, during the months of July and August, Regent Park Focus hosts a FREE 8-week daily summer media arts training program for young people ages 14 and up. In total, 21 youth registered in the 2017 program. The training consisted of many different experiential learning workshops revolving around television, radio, music production and gaming design. The program also featured a two day anti-oppression workshop led by anti-racist educator Rania El Mugammar. As well as new shows, two notable productions from the summer were Pokemon Go in Regent Park and The Magician's Trick.



Summer participants of the Media Training Program.

#### SPECIAL THANKS

Gratitude and special thanks to Toronto Arts Council and the Ontario Arts Council for their annual operating support to the Regent Park Focus Youth Media Arts Centre.

Thank you as well, to the amazing artists, students, youth, and newcomers to Canada that participated in Regent Park Focus programming over the 2017-18 programming year. Congratulations you did a great job!!!

Final acknowledgment to our employment partners: Academic Internship Council, Career Foundation, City of Toronto, Progress Career Planning Institute (PCPI), the YMWCA, and the Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) for providing summer job opportunities.

## **STAFF & VOLUNTEERS**



Executive Director













**STAFF** 

Pat Whittaker Membership & Facility Coord



Dimitrije Martinovic

Amil Delic Radio Regent Support Coord

Paul Weitzmann

Wayne (Wallo) Plummer

13. Fernando Restituto

14. Hopeton Latouche

17. Travis Acheampong

18. Mohammad Reza Nawruzi

15. William Hunter 16. Kiandokht Eslami

TV Production Coord

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

**Adonis Huggins** Cyrus Sundar-Singh **Erdine Hope** 

**Haroldene** Peters Ian Patrick Esquivel Manuel Gitterman

### SEASONAL CONTRACTED STAFF

- 1. Tusma Sulieman
- 2. Kazim Rizvi
- 3. Diamond Srev
- 4. Caitylin Forsyth
- 5. Andrew Wristen
- 6. Omar Saifuddin

### PLACEMENT STUDENTS

- 1. Chekisha Alleyne
- 2. Jacob Hong
- 3. Deondre Davis
- 4. Lysandra Lobo
- 5. Tavianne Jackson
- 6. Samir Patel
- 7. Nishevitha Ramesh
- 8. Robert Duggan

### ADULT VOLUNTEERS

- 1. Fernando Restituto
- 2. Jean Carter
- 3. Titilola Onogu

- 7. Nicholas Ramsubick
- 8. Judy Pham
- 9. Divine Bailey
- 10. Diamond Bailey
- 11. Jaidyn King
- 12. Ahmed Mohamud
- 9. Cassandre Chaillou
- 10. Gabrielle Rousselle
- 11. Deborah Joly
- 12. Ahmed Omer
- 13. Yahya Amin
- 14. Winnie Payne
- 15. Isaiah Quintyn
- 16. Gus Barker
- 19. Erica Garcia 20. Alexis Augustine
  - 21. Erika Kakrah

17. Kyle Pierre

18. John Galanga

- 22. Jade Mkhonza
- 23. Kiandokht Eslami

- 4. Caitlin Forsyth
- 5. Hopeton Latouche
- 6. Anoulone Souphommanychanh
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### STATEMENT OF REVENUE & EXPENSES

#### For the past 12 months (April 01, 2017 - March 31, 2018)

REVENUE	2018	2017
Corporate and Business Grants	\$30.000	\$44,700
Foundations and Trust Grants	\$98,411	\$107,842
Non-Profit Organizations	\$37,428	\$11,845
Self Generating Income	\$17,202	\$14,718
Federal Government Grants	\$46,486	\$24,845
Provincial Government Grants	\$117,348	\$63,513
Municipal Government Grants	\$102,004	\$97,827
Individual/ Business Contributions	\$23,070	0
OtherIncome	\$21,326	\$2,016
Total Revenue	\$493,275	\$367,306

#### **EXPENDITURES**

Equipmentmaintainanceandpurchases	2,587	
Generalsupplies		
Insurance	3,402	
Officesupplies	1,988	1,918
Printing	2,001	1,304
ProfessionalFees		
Rent (38 Regent Street)		41,170
Rent (Administrative office)	17,848	17,903
Salary and Benefits	254,866	194,380
Service Contracts	6,476	5,908
Travel	1,192	1,816
Total	\$392,561	\$328,110
Excess of Revenue over Expenditures	\$100,714	\$39,196

#### YEAR END

Net assets - Beginning of year	100,865	61,669
Excess of revenue over expenditures		
Net assets - End of year	201,579	100,865

### **GENEROUS DONORS**

- Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Canadian Women's Foundation
- Law Foundation of Ontario
- Dixon Hall Toronto Foundation
- Mozilla Foundation
- CIRA Foundation
- Kiwanis Club Centennial Grant
- YMWCA
- Daniels Corporation
- Koskie Minsky LLP
- Department of Justice Canada
- Employment and Social Development Canada
- Ontario Ministry of Cultural Tourism Culture and Sports -Ontario 150 Partnership

- Ontario Ministry of Community Safety and Services
- Ontario Arts Council
- Ontario Ministry of Francophone Affairs
- Ontario Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration (Multicultural Capacity Grant)
- City of Toronto
- Toronto Arts Council
- Department of Justice
- Ministry of Francophone Affairs
- Service Canada
- SOCAN
- Toronto Foundation





