



SCARBOROUGH  
CENTRE FOR  
HEALTHY  
COMMUNITIES

# Newsletter

## AUGUST 2026

**Celebrating  
Community,  
Connection, and  
Collaboration**

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# NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2026

This summer has been an eventful one for SCHC.



We kicked off July with our annual general meeting where we reported to the community our collective achievements and our audited financial report. To review how SCHC fared this past year, you can access our annual report here: <https://schcontario.wixsite.com/annual-report-2026>.



Mr. Mark Vimr was also named the new Chair of the Board of Directors. A registered nurse by trade, Mark has held various leadership roles in acute, academic, and community healthcare settings. Under his leadership, SCHC will continue to expand its footprint in primary care across Scarborough while we strengthen our existing healthcare and social services.

As the summer comes to an end, we are also bidding farewell to the 15 students from the Canada Summer Jobs program. In addition to providing practical job experience in their chosen portfolio, from human resources, finance to marketing, SCHC strives to provide these students a better understanding on social determinants of health. It is important to show these young inquisitive minds how community programs help meet people's needs and, together, we can improve the overall well-being of our community.



## VISION

Ignite the strength of community!

## MISSION

Providing accessible, equitable and transformational health and social service choices, for the well-being of diverse communities.

## VALUES

I2CARE  
Inclusive  
Innovation  
Collaboration  
Accessibility  
Respect  
Equity



# INCLUSIVE



## Pride Month Movie Night

The Mind and Spirit Youth Leadership (MSYL) Committee recently hosted a Pride Month Movie Night. The event featured a selection of short films that highlighted the stories, experiences, and resilience of 2SLGBTQ+ individuals and communities.



## Indigenous History Month Movie Night

In recognition of Indigenous History Month, community members gathered for a film screening and discussion honouring the histories, resilience, and cultures of Indigenous Peoples. The event brought participants together to share reflections and connect in a welcoming space.



# INNOVATION

Innovation means finding new ways to reach and support our community. This summer, SCHC has been out at events across Scarborough, connecting with community members and helping individuals and families register for primary care.



## Are you looking for a family doctor?

Scan the QR code to complete the registration form or call 416-847-4134.

# COLLABORATION



## GABI NG HARANA

SCHC and Scarborough Ontario Seniors Association (SOSA) celebrated Filipino Heritage Month with Gabi ng Harana: A Night of Serenade, an evening showcasing the rich traditions and bayanihan spirit of Filipino culture. Guests enjoyed Kundiman music, serenades, folk dancing, cultural performances, Filipino snacks, and opportunities to connect and celebrate together.



## ACCESSIBILITY



SAVE THE DATE

## IGNITE HORIZONS - SCHC GALA

SCHC is committed to creating accessible opportunities for Scarborough youth by reducing barriers and providing free, welcoming spaces where young people can build confidence, develop life skills, and connect with their community. The **Ignite Horizons Gala** will help raise funds to support these programs and create brighter opportunities for local youth.

 Tues, September 29, 2026

 5:30 PM–9:00 PM

 Scarboro Golf & Country Club



**Purchase your gala tickets today:**

Early Bird: \$80 until September 11

Regular: \$95



# RESPECT



For Bjorn, respect means meeting people where they are, without assumptions or judgment. As a Mobile Health Unit Coordinator at SCHC, he helps bring care and outreach directly into the community, building trust through consistent and compassionate support.

As SCHC continues to expand its Mobile Health Unit and outreach services, Bjorn's story reflects our commitment to treating every person with dignity and respect.

**Read Bjorn's full story on our SCHC website.**



This year's Board of Directors Food Fight was a huge success! Together, we shattered the previous campaign record, collecting more than 100 donations and raising \$12,500!

Thanks to everyone who helped spread the word, solicited donations, or contributed to the campaign. Most importantly, these funds will help our food bank provide two days' worth of food for 500 families of four.

Thank you for coming together to support our community and help make a meaningful difference!



# EQUITY



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Sept 29** Ignite Horizons - Gala Fundraiser

**Sept 30** National Day for Truth and Reconciliation



# THANK YOU FOR READING!

August 2026



## DONATE

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