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## BE NICE, CLEAR YOUR ICE ... OR CALL THE CITY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE

Hello Bedford Park Neighbours.

Be nice, clear your ice. Remember that old slogan? It still applies. Bedford Park doesn't have city sidewalk clearing services, and that means it's up to us. Have you ever seen someone struggling to get through ice and snow while pushing a stroller, or using a walker or cane? It makes winter a misery, and a danger for these people. Our lots are not very big. Please let's get out and clear our sidewalks.

Did you know there are repercussions for not shovelling? There is a fine of \$570 for people who are reported as not having cleared their sidewalks within 12 hours of a snowfall. And one more bit of bad news, it's also illegal to shovel your snow onto the road.

**If you are unable to clear your own sidewalk because of disability or being over 65, you can register with the city and they will do it for you.** Once you're registered there's an automatic renewal each year, so you only have to do it once.

**You can learn more information on this program by:**

- Calling the city office responsible for the program at (416) 392-7768
- Clicking this link to the application form for the program  
<https://www.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/12/8ec3-Free-Snow-Removal-Application-for-Sidewalks.pdf>

If you notice a house that never has a clear sidewalk, you might want to consider knocking on the door and telling them about the city services, in case they qualify. It's a more neighbourly approach than calling 311 to report them.

Being outside in the winter can be a real pleasure, but only if we can all be safe. You know what we have to do – grab a shovel, get some fresh air and meet some neighbours!

Thank you for your consideration.

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