

# Open Dialogue on Vulnerability in Toronto Series

Housed in the City's Social Development, Finance & Administration Division, the **Specialized Program for Interdivisional Enhanced Response (SPIDER)** to Vulnerability welcomes you to "The Open Dialogue on Vulnerability in Toronto" series. The Dialogue aims to increase awareness about situations impacting vulnerable Torontonians and the programs and services available, as well as building networks across the service system and creating opportunities for operation and systemic level innovation.

## Community Perspectives on Suicide Prevention

This Open Dialogue will feature discussion about policy recommendations, and available resources and supports in relation to suicide, for both service providers, and impacted community members. The opportunity to identify other needed services and supports will also be discussed.

**WHEN: Friday May 19, 2017 (9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.)**

**WHERE: North York Civic Centre, Council Chambers (5100 Yonge Street, Lower Level)**

**REGISTER HERE: [https://spider\\_perspectives\\_on\\_suicide.eventbrite.ca](https://spider_perspectives_on_suicide.eventbrite.ca)**

- 8:30** Registration
- 9:00** Welcome – Scott McKean, City of Toronto, Community Safety & Wellbeing Unit
- 9:15** Policy Recommendations Regarding Suicide Prevention – *speaker to be announced*
- 9:45** Community Perspectives on Suicide Prevention, Completion, Survival, and Loved Ones Left Behind – Amanuel Melles, African Canadian Social Development Council
- 10:30** Resources and Supports for Services Providers and Impacted Community Members -- *speaker to be announced*
- 11:00** Break
- 11:15** Panel Discussion
  - African Canadian Social Development Council
  - East Metro Youth Services
  - Toronto Public Health, Mental Health Promotion
  - *Additional speakers to be announced*

Support will be available to those requiring space for quiet reflection during or after the event.

In efforts to accommodate participants with environmental sensitivities, this is a scent-free venue.

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