FAC - L'Amoreaux Community Profile

A diverse community situated in North Scarborough, Ontario, L'Amoreaux is known for its spacious parks and family-friendly neighbourhoods with a variety of housing types such as single family detached homes, townhouses, and numerous high-rise apartments and condos. The community also features a vast range of schooling options which include multiple French Immersion and several international student programs. Additionally, L'Amoreaux is home to large seniors' complexes such as St. Paul's L'Amoreaux Centre.

The following data illustrate the diversity of the L'Amoreaux community. Additional data can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Demographic Data (2016 Census)

44,000 residents:

- 14% under 15 years
- 13% 15-24 years
- 53% 25-64 years
- 19% 65+ years

Family Types:

- couples with children (47%)
- couples with no children (29%)
- female lone parent families (20%)
- male lone parent families (4%)

19% are Seniors living alone

Visible Minorities:

 77% (compared to 51% in the City of Toronto overall)

Top 5 visible minorities:

• Chinese, South Asian, Black, Filipino, Arab

Immigrants:

- About 65% of L'Amoreaux residents self-reported as immigrants
- 9% self-reported as recent immigrants

Top places of birth for all immigrants:

 China, Sri Lanka, Philippines, Hong Kong, India

Top places of birth for recent immigrants:

• China, Philippines, Syria, India, Sri Lanka

Language:

Top mother tongues and home languages:

 Mandarin, Cantonese, Tamil, Armenian, Tagalog, Arabic, Greek, Italian, Persian (Farsi), Urdu

No knowledge of English:

 Just over 13% (compared to 5% in the City of Toronto overall)

According to a 2005 Finch Warden revitalization study, L'Amoreaux, along with several other North Scarborough communities, was deemed a "priority neighbourhood" due to its lack of community services and social infrastructure, not to mention poverty, underemployment, high incidence of youth violence, and settlement needs of new immigrants. Despite continuing to be listed among Toronto's neediest communities (based on 2016 Census data), a 2019 public policy report suggested that L'Amoreaux, among other North Scarborough communities, had yet to receive the attention needed to address these social issues.