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Family fun at Operations Centre for National Public Works Week

National Public Works Week is May 21 to 27

(Barrie, ON) In recognition of National Public Works Week, the city is hosting a family-oriented event at the Operations Centre (165 Ferndale Drive North), from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 27.

"National Public Works Week provides us with an opportunity to educate the public on all the work that we do to keep the city moving," says Craig Morton, Manager of Roads, Parks and Fleet. "It's also a chance for community members to see our equipment, meet our team and tour the facility."

The event will include:

- BBQ, with proceeds going to the United Way.
- Flower seed starter – children can plant seeds in a container to take home.
- Mini display of the City for children to interact with.
- Opportunity for children to have their photo taken wearing hard hats and vests along with signs and equipment.
- Plows that have been painted by local students for the *Paint the Plow* competition. The public can vote for their favourite. The winning plow will be used on a truck next winter to clear the roads in the area of the school that painted it.
- Public works equipment on display, including bucket trucks, snow plows, sidewalk machines, mowers, loaders, sweepers.
- Rain barrel sale
- Tours of the greenhouse.

The event will go rain or shine. National Public Works Week is observed each year during the third full week of May. The purpose of the week is to raise awareness of services related to the maintenance and operations of roads and public parks.

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