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**City to celebrate National Youth Week with opportunities
for Barrie youth**

(Barrie, ON) – National Youth Week starts May 1 and runs until National Child and Youth Mental Health Day on May 7, 2024. The City is celebrating National Youth Week with a number of recreation and culture opportunities for youth in Barrie.

“Whether it is recreation, drama, sport, dance, civic engagement, art, volunteerism or leadership, young people are involved in meaningful activities every day. National Youth Week is a time to honour their positive contributions to the community,” said Kate Ellis, Manager of Recreation and Culture Programs and Special Events. “During this week and throughout the entire year, the City aims to provide quality recreation and culture programs and spaces that support our youth.”

Barrie youth are invited to participate in a variety of activities including:

- Youth Takeover Night
- Free Youth Centre Drop-ins
- \$1 after School Gym Drop-ins
- Wellness Fair

Outside of National Youth Week, the City hosts events and programs at the youth centre at the Peggy Hill Team Community Centre, and at the Lampman Lane Community Centre on an ongoing basis; offering individuals aged eleven to seventeen in Barrie opportunities for creative development, exploration, personal growth and play.

For details and a full schedule of opportunities available during National Youth Week, visit barrie.ca/YouthWeek.

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