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City of Neighbourhoods Guide



ST. GEORGE'S PARK

Located just northeast of downtown, this is Guelph's most prestigious neighbourhood. Along the Speed River you'll find waterfront properties. Up the hill are a plethora of historic mansions once home to the city's wealthy industrialists. Queen Street is known as "millionaires' row". Venture a little further northeast, however, and you'll find very attractive, affordable post-war bungalows and 1.5 storey homes.

The focal point of this neighbourhood is St. George's Park, featuring tennis courts, a basketball court, an outdoor ice rink and playground, shaded by majestic trees. Residents regularly gather here for Easter egg hunts, Christmas carolling and an annual 'Georgestock' community party.

Supermarkets, drug stores and other amenities are close at hand on Eramosa Road, while all the attractions of downtown are a stroll away, over the historic footbridge spanning the Speed River.



SCHOOLS

- John Galt Public School
- King George Public School (French)
- John F. Ross High School (English/French)
- St. James Catholic High School



HIGHLIGHTS

- St. George's Park - 5 tennis courts, play structure, basketball courts & community ice rink
- Georgestock - music night and community party (July)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- <https://www.facebook.com/SGPNG/>

WILLOW WEST • SUGARBUSH • WEST ACRES • ONWARD WILLOW

These neighbourhoods in northwest Guelph are some of the city's most diverse. Today, this established area is seeing many changes as more people update and renovate their homes.

Here you'll find opportunities to buy spacious detached homes with ample parking near the western edge of Guelph or townhomes and semi-detached homes in the Onward Willow area. It's all within easy reach of the Hanlon Expressway and Highway 7 West, making this a great option for commuters to Kitchener-Waterloo.

There's plenty of shopping nearby, with supermarkets, a drug store and a variety of other retailers along Silvercreek Parkway, a Costco on Elmira Road and the Zehrs Plaza at Paisley and Imperial.

The West End Recreation Centre features a pool, arena, gymnasium and library. Local parks offer a variety of facilities, including tennis courts, soccer fields and a cricket pitch in Margaret Greene Park, plus basketball courts, a skateboard park and a splash pad at Norm Jary Park. Meanwhile, active neighbourhood groups organize events, programs and services, including PD-day camps, after-school programs and summer camps.



SCHOOLS

- John Galt Public School
- Mitchell Woods Public School
- Taylor Evans Public School (English/French)
- Westwood Public School
- Willow Road Public School (English/French)
- St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School



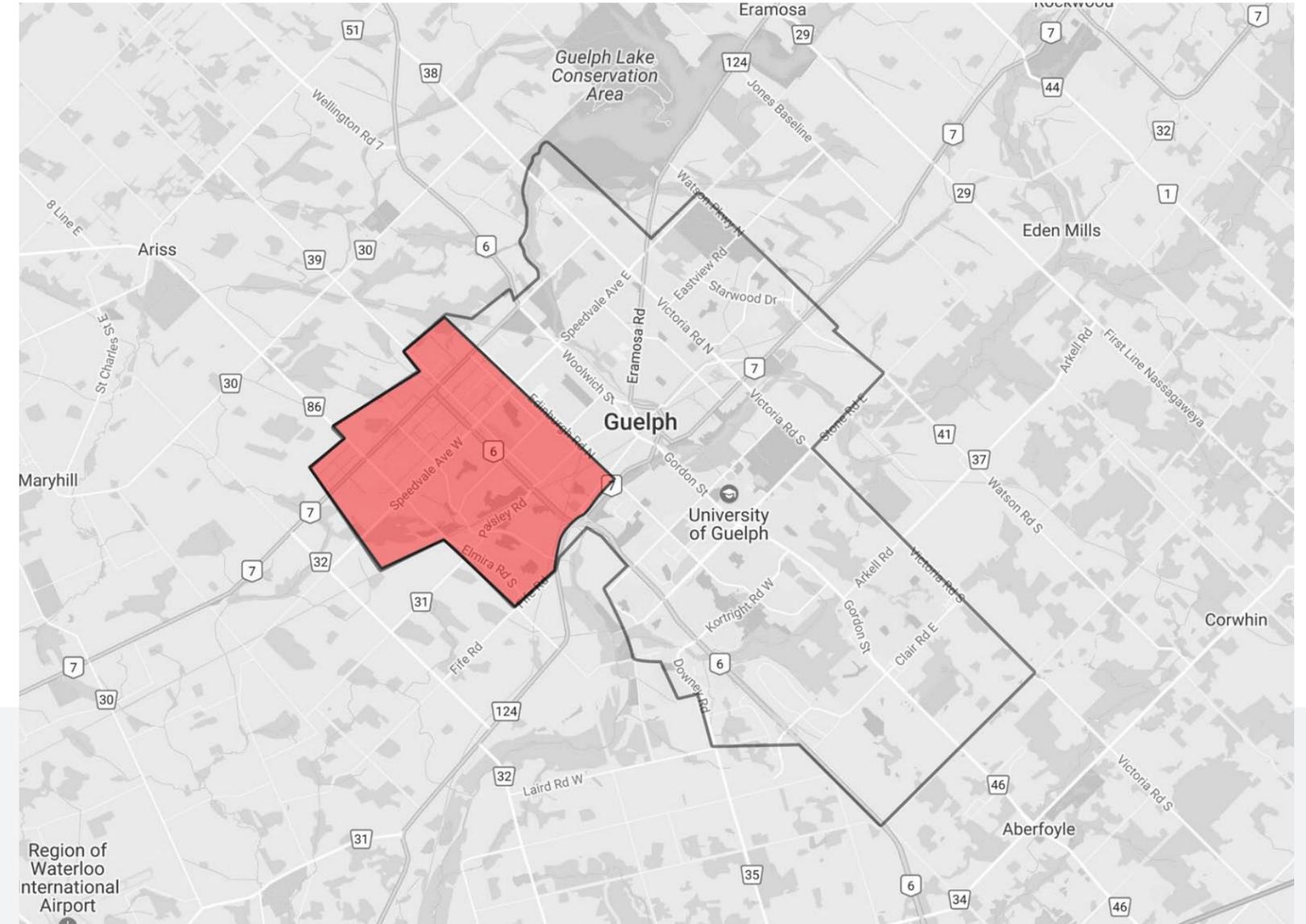
HIGHLIGHTS

- Winterfest (February)
- Onward Willow Spring Marketplace & Fair (June)
- West Willow Village Fall Fair (September)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- onwardwillow.ca
- Parkward Gardens
- westwillowvillage.ca





RIVERSIDE PARK • NORTH VICTORIA

Northwest Guelph offers quiet, established neighbourhoods and newer subdivisions popular with young families.

South of the Guelph Country Club, you'll find generously sized lots with mature tree-lined streets. Meanwhile, east of Victoria Road, you'll find townhomes, semis and singles in a neighbourhood that continues to expand and evolve, attracting lots of younger families.

Enjoy quick and easy access to many shops in this area: including some of your favourite big-name stores along Woodlawn Road (Walmart, Canadian Tire, Home Depot and Home Sense, plus a FreshCo on Speedvale Avenue).

There is no shortage of recreational activities here. The famous Riverside Park on the banks of the Speed River has something for everyone. Sports minded? The Guelph Lake Sports Fields boast soccer pitches, ball diamonds and football fields. Hikers and cross-country skiers will enjoy the trails on the extensive grounds of the Ignatius Jesuit Centre (a novitiate founded in 1913), where you can also rent seasonal garden plots. Local neighbourhood groups offer everything from a collective kitchen to Zumba classes and kids' camps. Meanwhile, the Evergreen Seniors Community Centre provides a wide variety of programming for Guelph residents 55 and older.



SCHOOLS

- Brant Avenue Public School
- June Avenue Public School (French)
- Waverley Drive Public School
- St. Patrick Catholic School
- Trillium Waldorf School
- Resurrection Christian Academy



HIGHLIGHTS

- New Year's Eve fireworks at Riverside Park
- Multicultural Fest at Riverside Park (June)
- Tea 'n' Tales - Storytelling at Riverside Park (Fridays in Summer)
- Canada Day festivities at Riverside Park
- Ribfest at Riverside Park (August)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- www.brantave.org
- North Riverside Group

EXHIBITION PARK

This is one of Guelph's most sought-after neighbourhoods: an oasis of calm and green just steps to downtown. Here, you'll find mature trees, century-old homes and an active community association that organizes events like the "living advent calendar", family dances, picnics and Winterfest activities.

Bordered on the east by the Speed River and the Trans Canada trail and on the west by the attractive grounds of St. Joseph's Health Centre, this is an area dominated by turreted mansions, gracious Victorian two-storeys and stone cottages. as well as exciting new townhome developments like Exhibition Mews.

Of course, the heart of this neighbourhood is Exhibition Park itself. This was once an exhibition ground and racetrack built in 1871 on the northern border of the city. It now houses a naturalized playground, a hockey arena, playing fields, baseball diamonds, tennis courts and more.

Living here puts you within walking distance to all the amenities of downtown, as well as popular neighbourhood spots, amazing bakeries and quaint restaurants and the picturesque ruins of Goldie Mill.



SCHOOLS

- Victory Public School
- Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic High School



HIGHLIGHTS

- Creativity Picnic at Exhibition Park (June)
- Dance Fest performance at Exhibition Park (June)
- Thanksgiving Day Race at Exhibition Park (October)
- Saturday night adult skating at Exhibition Park (Nov - March)
- Living Advent Calendar (December)
- Great Boxing Day Battle at Exhibition Park (December)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- Exhibition Park Neighbourhood Group - epng.ca





GENERAL HOSPITAL

Just north of downtown, on the hill overlooking the Speed River, you'll find larger homes built in the 20s, 30s and 40s. This area, beside the beautiful grounds and historic buildings of the Homewood Health Centre, is a perfect place to put down roots and raise a family.

North and east of Guelph General Hospital are more modest single-family homes from the 50s and 60s. Most are solidly built bungalows, with a scattering of two-storey and storey-and-half houses, making this a great choice for first-time buyers and empty nesters.

You'll find shopping and many amenities along Eramosa and Speedvale, including supermarkets, drug stores and the Bullfrog Mall Library. Several neighbourhood parks offer playgrounds, and there are tennis/pickleball courts and ball diamonds at Skov Park. Meanwhile, downtown is just a walk or short drive away.

Poke around and you'll find hidden treasures - like Creativity Greenhouse, the Ballroom Class dance studio and Gryphon Gardens, a 3/4 acre garden that produces day lilies, open to the public on summer weekends.



SCHOOLS

- Edward Johnson Public School (French)
- Ottawa Crescent Public School
- Holy Rosary Catholic School
- Resurrection Christian Academy



HIGHLIGHTS

- Summer's Night Classical 5k (July)
- Gryphon Gardens (summer weekends)
- P.D. days and summer art camps at Creativity Greenhouse

THE JUNCTION

This up-and-coming hipster heaven not far from downtown is defined by the two railways that cross here. Once largely blue-collar, the Junction is now attracting many young professionals, lured by a large shared work space on Edinburgh Road; Fixed Gear Brewery and the Abe Erb Brewpub; not to mention the character, the brickwork and the walkability to Downtown Guelph.

This neighbourhood consists mainly of single-family homes: including many 1.5 storey post-war homes, as well as some larger century homes. You'll find a smattering of small-scale industry throughout the Junction, plus an eclectic mix of artists, offices and enterprises occupying an old industrial complex on Crimea Street.

Howitt Park and the old quarry that it borders are popular destinations for dog-walkers and joggers. Skateboarders can hop across Wellington Street to the Silvercreek Skate Park on the banks of the Speed River, where you'll also find beach volleyball courts.

Supermarkets, drug stores, clothing retailers and more lie just to the north, at Silvercreek and Willow, or head downtown for unique stores, restaurants and night life.

Meanwhile, the local neighbourhood group organizes annual events like the Porchfest community music festival, Winterfest and an Earth Day cleanup.



SCHOOLS

- Paisley Road Public School (English/French)
- St. Joseph Catholic School
- Guelph Collegiate Vocational School



HIGHLIGHTS

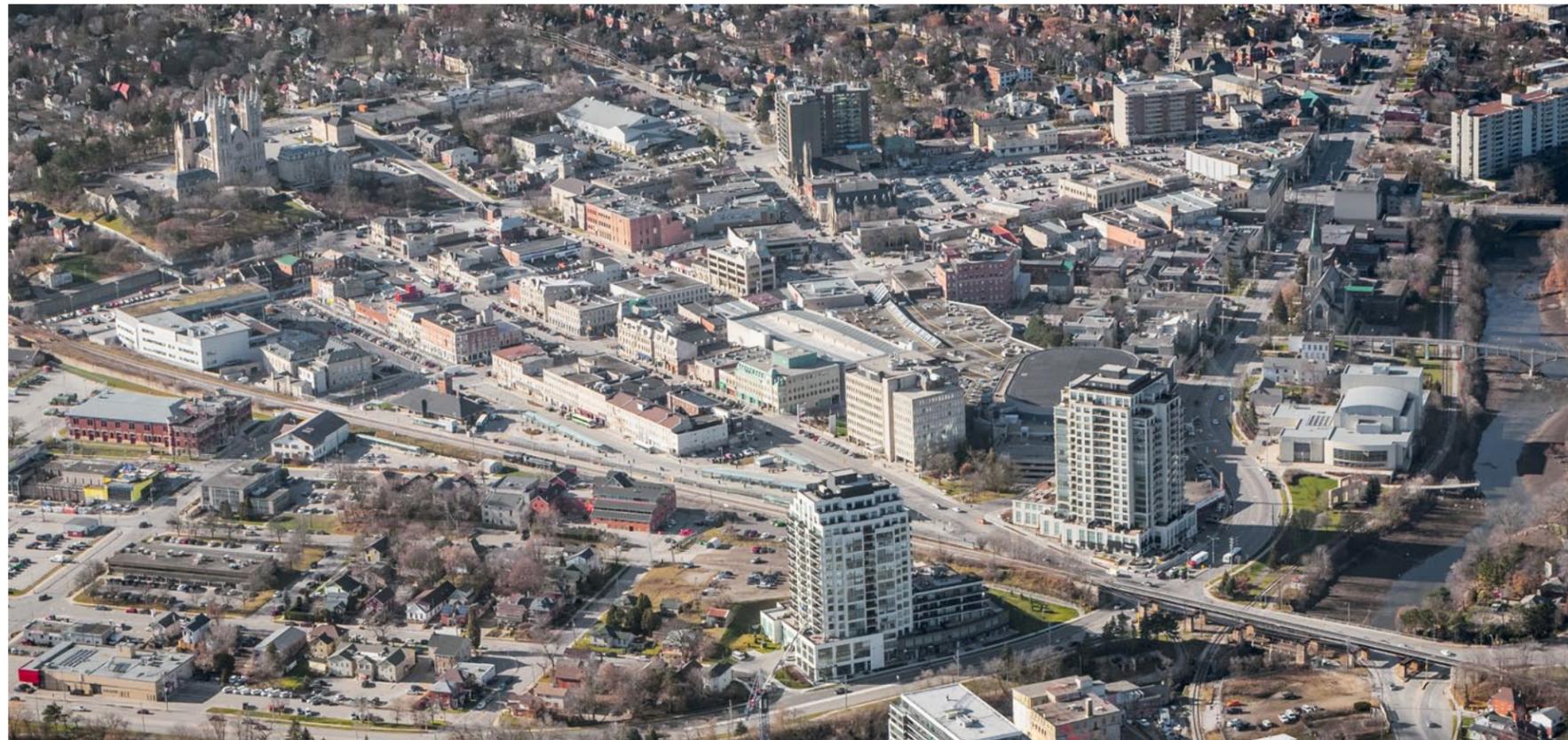
- Earth Day Clean-up (April)
- Porchfest Community Music Festival (August)
- Terry Fox Run (September)
- Community Garden Festival (September)
- Winter Windows neighbourhood displays (December)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- <https://www.junctionng.wordpress.com>





DOWNTOWN

Downtown Guelph lies close to the site where John Galt chopped down a maple tree in 1827, establishing a new city at the confluence of the Speed and Eramosa rivers. Today it is a vibrant city centre packed with unique shops, restaurants and nightlife and a mix of historic and modern architecture, all overlooked by the Basilica of Our Lady, a National Historic Site.

Whether you're a young professional, a parent with a growing family or a retiree, you'll find lots of housing options within an easy stroll of downtown. Choose from modern condo towers, historic buildings converted into lofts and townhomes, or a variety of single-family homes (many more than a century old).

Proximity to the train station and bus station make this an appealing neighbourhood for commuters, but downtown has an abundance of attractions to keep you entertained in your leisure time.

Skate or splash at the Market Square water feature outside City Hall. Get your weekly vegetables at the Saturday Farmers' Market, see a show at the River Run Centre, catch some stand-up comedy at the Making Box or watch a game at the Sleeman Centre.

There are also many parks within easy reach, Royal City Park along the Speed River, the historic Goldie Mill ruins and family-friendly Sunnycres Park, where movie nights, BBQs and crokicurling tournaments take place.



SCHOOLS

- Central Public School
- Guelph Collegiate Vocational Institute
- St. John Bosco Secondary School
- Guelph Montessori School



HIGHLIGHTS

- Guelph Farmers' Market (Saturdays year round)
- Fourth Fridays culture crawl (4th Friday of each month, year round)
- Free Skating at City Hall (seasonal)
- Friday noon hour concerts on Quebec St. (June)
- Art on the Street on Quebec St. (June)
- Guelph Jazz Festival at Market Square (September)
- Santa Claus Parade (November)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- <https://www.junctionng.wordpress.com>

ST. PATRICK'S (THE WARD)

Known locally as “the Ward”, St.Patrick’s is bordered on the south by the Eramosa River and on the west by the Speed River. Many industries were lured here by free land in the early 20th century, while workers bought homes nearby.

The area attracted many Italian immigrants from the 1900s onwards and still retains a strong Italian flavour. Today, many young professionals and families have moved into this traditionally blue-collar neighbourhood within walking distance of downtown.

You’ll find single-family homes here in all shapes and sizes, along with a mix of small businesses and exciting new condo developments like the Metal Works, Biltmore Factory Towns and the Mill Lofts (a converted textile factory).

There’s no shortage of things going on in The Ward. The Two Rivers Neighbourhood Group puts on regular potlucks, movie nights, food markets, classes, a kids’ club and an annual post-Halloween “pumpkin promenade”.

Catch a play at the Guelph Little Theatre, take a movie at ED Video, grab a beer at Royal City Brewery or sip gin at Spring Mill Distillery, located in a historic grist mill. Splash around in the Lyon’s Park outdoor pool, or flex your moves at The Guelph Grotto Climbing Gym.



SCHOOLS

- Sacred Heart Catholic School
- St. James Catholic High School
- John F. Ross Collegiate Vocational Institute



HIGHLIGHTS

- Outdoor swimming at Lyon Leisure Pool (June-September)
- Pumpkin Promenade parade and jack-o'-lantern display (November)
- Free Food Fridays (Neighbourhood Group)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- <https://www.tworiversng.ca>



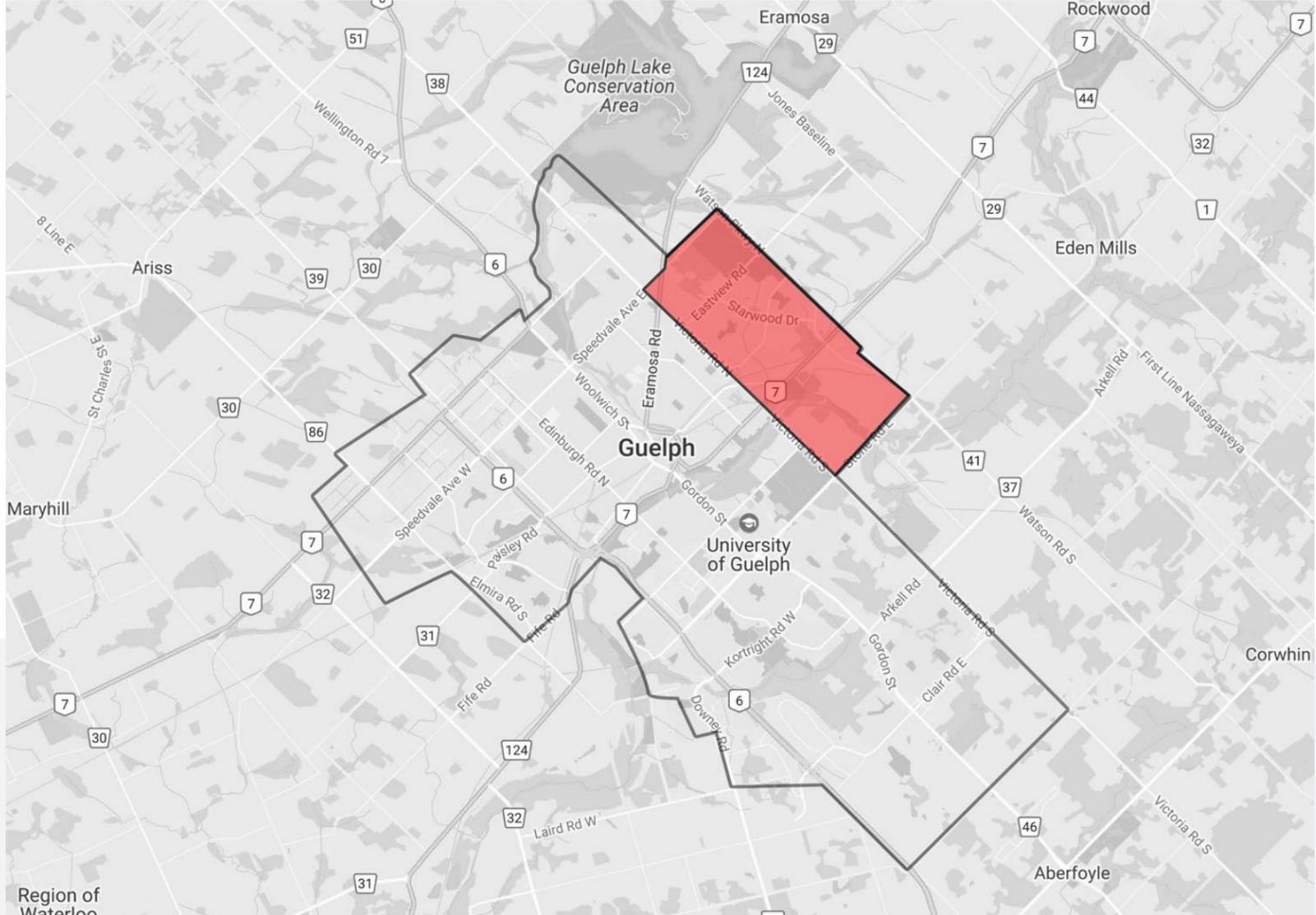
GRANGE ROAD • YORK ROAD

Guelph’s family-friendly east end offers an affordable mix of townhomes, condos, and older and newer detached homes with good access to Highway 7 East and the 401.

Amenities include the Victoria Road Recreation Centre (with two ice rinks and three pools) and the East Side Library, while the Guelph Lake Sports Fields are within easy reach. Eastview Community Park offers playing fields, a playground (coming in fall 2019) and a new community room.

This is an area that attracts families looking for work-life balance and plenty of time outdoors. Enjoy access to walking trails and parks, as well as views of rural fields at the edge of town. Wander past the ponds at the former Correctional Centre on York Road or explore Guelph’s former Eastview Landfill Site, currently being transformed into a unique wildflower-filled “Pollinator Park” with an extensive trail system.

The neighbourhood group runs programs for preschoolers and school-aged kids, including summer camps. And although shopping options here are currently limited, that’s poised to change with the approval of new mixed-use spaces at York and Victoria and at York and Watson.



SCHOOLS

- Ken Danby Public School
- William C. Winegard Public School
- Holy Trinity Catholic School
- St. Johns Catholic School
- St. James Catholic High School



HIGHLIGHTS

- Outdoor swimming at Lyon Leisure Pool (June-September)
- Pumpkin Promenade parade
- and jack-o’-lantern display (November)
- Free Food Fridays (Neighbourhood Group)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- Grange Hill East Neighbourhood Group

OLD UNIVERSITY • DOVERCLIFFE PARK

This established neighbourhood just north and west of the University of Guelph boasts a mix of older, larger homes and student accommodation. You'll find single-family homes in the heart of Old University and more affordable townhomes west of Edinburgh. Mature trees, a central location and walkability are the big draws here. To the north, stroll to the Royal Recreation Trail, the famous covered bridge (one of only two in Ontario) and The Boathouse, where you can rent canoes, grab an ice-cream cone or enjoy afternoon tea. Beyond that lies downtown with its unique restaurants and stores. To the south, you have Stone Road Mall, grocery stores, an LCBO and various big box retailers.

Other local amenities include the Cutten Club golf course, Scottsdale Library and Centennial Park, which features an arena, a soccer dome, tennis courts and ball diamonds. And, of course, you're just a skip from the Arboretum and the University of Guelph campus - one of the city's main landmarks, known for its impressive stonework and architectural design. Thanks to the university, you'll also enjoy access to well-serviced bus routes and all kinds of on-campus events.

Across the Hanlon Expressway lies Dovercliffe, an older subdivision with attractively priced townhomes, semis and detached homes and a plethora of green space. Walk the riverside trails at Crane Park or enjoy a game of soccer or tennis at Dovercliffe Park. Proximity to the Hanlon makes this a great choice for commuters.



SCHOOLS

- John McCrae Public School
- École Élémentaire L'odyssée
- Priory Park Public School
- Mary Phelan Catholic School
- École Élémentaire Catholique Saint-René-Goupil
- Cornerstorn Christian School
- Guelph Community Christian School
- Meezan School (Muslim)
- Royal City Montessori Academy



HIGHLIGHTS

- College Royal at the University of Guelph (March)
- The Guelph Potters Market (May)
- Afternoon Teas at John McCrae House (summers, Tuesday - Sunday)
- Moonlight Dancing (Latin & Ballroom) at Royal City Park (June - August)





KORTRIGHT HILLS • KORTRIGHT WEST • KORTRIGHT EAST

South End Guelph offers established, family-focused neighbourhoods of generously sized detached homes, most built in the 1980s and 90s, plus a number of hip new condo developments aimed at young professionals.

This is a great choice for commuters, offering easy access to the Hanlon Expressway and the 401. In addition to enjoying the modern amenities in these newer homes, you'll also have access to convenient shopping nearby, including Stone Road Mall and Hartland Plaza, plus attractions like the YMCA-YWCA, the Athletic Club, the Pergola Commons movie theatre and the Victoria Golf Course.

The Kortrights offer lots of opportunities for active recreation. All three neighbourhoods boast a plethora of parks and trails — including the 27-hectare Hanlon Creek Conservation Area — with many homes backing onto greenspace.

There are a variety of playing fields, ball diamonds and outdoor ice rinks in local parks, as well as popular splash pads at Hanlon Creek Park and Jubilee Park. Meanwhile, neighbourhood groups offer after-school clubs and a “garden fresh box” program.



SCHOOLS

- Arbour Vista Public School (French)
- Fred A. Hamilton Public School (French)
- Jean Little Public School
- Kortright Hills Public School
- St. Michael Catholic School



HIGHLIGHTS

- Kortright Hills Eggstravaganza (Easter season)
- Hanlon off leash dog park



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- Kortright Hills Group
- Rickson Ridge Neighbourhood Group

PINERIDGE • WESTMINSTER WOODS • CLAIRFIELDS

These are newer developments in Guelph's south end with excellent accessibility to the 401. You'll find a mix of housing options here: detached homes, townhouses and mid-rise condos, attracting young families and students alike.

Many have been built with new urbanism principles in mind. The roundabouts, boulevards and parkettes create an attractive, walkable streetscape where kids can play and it's easy to meet your neighbours. You'll find lots of convenient shopping and amenities at Clair and Gordon: three grocery stores, a drug store, an LCBO, the Westminster library branch, a movie theatre and more.

There are all kinds of interconnected trails and parks to explore here, including the expansive Hanlon Creek Conservation Area, where deer are a common site. And with so much greenspace scattered throughout, it's easy to find homes that back onto nature.

The Larry J. Pearson Baseball complex and future South End Recreation Centre are just off Clair Road, while the fully accessible South End Community Park features a splash pad and a sand pit where kids can dig for "dinosaur bones". If you're a golfer, you'll appreciate having the Springfield Golf & Country Club just down the road.



SCHOOLS

- Sir Isaac Brock Public School
- Westminster Woods Public School
- St. Paul Catholic School
- St. Ignatius of Loyola Catholic School
- Bishop Macdonell Catholic High School



HIGHLIGHTS

- Westminster Woods Community BBQ (September)



NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

- Hanlon Creek Facebook group



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