

MEMORANDUM

TO: Community Services and Housing Committee Members

FROM: Joann Simmons, Commissioner of Community and Health Services

DATE: March 11, 2009

RE: **Release of “Just The Facts About Your Community” Census 2006**

Today I am pleased to inform you about the release of two new fact sheets produced as part of the “Just the Facts about Your Community” series. The attached fact sheets have been developed by the Community and Health Services Department on behalf of the York Region Consortium. The York Region Consortium includes York Region, the United Way of York Region, the York Regional Police, the York Region District School Board and the York Region Catholic School Board. Its Community Reference Group is co-chaired by Mayor Tony Van Bynen and Daniele Zanotti, CEO of the United Way of York Region.

The new fact sheets include:

- Just the Facts about Your Community- Diversity of Residents Living in York Region: Employment and Income
- Just the Facts about Your Community: Housing and Shelter Costs in York Region

These fact sheets will be widely distributed to local municipalities, community organizations, federal and provincial government offices, the business community and to the general public for information and for use in decision making and planning. They will also be posted online at www.york.ca/yrcsd and will be made available in the three most commonly spoken non-official languages in the Region (i.e. Chinese, Russian and Farsi). They can be made available in other languages on an as-needed basis.

For more information, please contact Cordelia Abankwa-Harris, Managing Director, Strategic Service Integration and Policy Branch, Community and Health Services Department, at 905-830-4444 Ext. 2150.

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Attachments: 1. Just the Facts about Your Community - Diversity of Residents Living in York Region: Employment and Income
2. Just the Facts about Your Community - Housing and Shelter Costs in York Region