

Ford Lauds Salvation Army Toy Drive

'Be Wary Of Fraudulent Immigration Consultants'



TORONTO: Premier Doug Ford was the main guest at the 2018 Toy Mountain Christmas weekend toy drive in support of the Salvation Army, which took place at Etobicoke Temple Community Church. The event has attracted several major sponsors

"There are still too many folks out there who can't afford to buy presents for their children this holiday season," said Ford.

"That's why the work of charitable groups like the Salvation Army and so many others, in communities across Ontario, is

so important."

Ford later tweeted: "Happy to be able to give back at the Salvation Army @tsatoronto Etobicoke Temple Community Church Christmas Toy Drive once again this year. The spirit of Christmas is alive through happy children!"

TORONTO: Prospective immigrants pursuing their Canadian Dream may fall prey to fraudulent unregulated immigration consultants that are not authorized to offer advice and often charge high fees for a "guaranteed visa", according to an industrial regulatory body.

Immigration Consultants of Canada Regulatory Council (ICCRC) is urging individuals to work with Regulated Canadian Immigration Consultants (RCICs) registered with ICCRC when seeking to study, work or live in Canada.

These licensed professionals explain the various immigration options and help an applicant choose the appropriate program; they complete and submit all application forms and supporting

documentation; and if required, they communicate with the Government of Canada on behalf of an applicant. In short, RCICs provide full service at every stage of the application process.

About ICCRC

ICCRC is the national regulatory body authorized by the Government of Canada to oversee Regulated Canadian immigration consultants. ICCRC protects the public interest by prescribing and enforcing educational and ethical standards and providing ongoing rigorous oversight of RCICs.

Prospective immigrants are asked to ensure that their Canadian immigration consultant is registered with ICCRC. Visit IC-CRC at iccrc-crcic.ca to verify if your immigration consultant has the right to represent you.

30 Meritorious Students Felicitated By Memon Association



MISSISSAUGA: More than 30 meritorious students were felicitated at a simple but impressive function held by Memon Association of Canada (MEC) last Sunday at the Symphony Banquet Hall, in Mississauga. The students were presented with trophies, medals and certificates

Ismail Mirza, president of MEK, welcomed guests and said education was the key to success in life. Every major or mi-

nor religion emphasises the importance of education, he pointed out. He further said that in today's times both parents have to work to meet the family's needs and are unable to give special care for their children. He exhorted parents to earmark sufficient time to pay attention to their children. Arif Memon, general secretary of MEK proposed vote of thanks.

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CAA Launches Their Cannabis Education Campaign

THORNHILL: CAA South Central Ontario (CAA SCO) has launched their cannabis education campaign called #DontDriveHigh.

CAA SCO worked with The Turn Lab, to create a series of videos demonstrating the impact cannabis has on concentration, coordination, reaction time and decision making.

The campaign is geared towards young drivers to remind them that even though cannabis is legal, it's not harmless, especially in situations where reaction time, motor skills and judgment are critical.

"Just because you think you may be able to drive while high, doesn't mean you should," said Teresa Di Felice, assistant vice president, government relations, CAA SCO. "It's important to remember that if you are going to consume alcohol or cannabis, find an alternative to driving so you can arrive where you're going safely."

CAA's research shows that there is a gap in awareness of the effects of using cannabis, specifically, in young men. Men aged 25 to 34 are the most likely to drive under

the influence of cannabis. Many are novice drivers who live in busy, urban areas.

"Our research shows that many Ontario drivers believe that there is a strong need for public education around cannabis legislation," said Teresa Di Felice. "Our campaign aims to educate young drivers with fun yet thought-provoking videos."

The campaign kickoff took place at SPiN Toronto. Participants got to test their reaction time playing ping pong while using cannabis goggles.

As long-standing advocates for road safety, CAA is monitoring the impact of cannabis legalization across the province.

To learn more about the campaign and cannabis-impaired driving, visit the CAA Advocacy cannabis education hub.

As a leader and advocate for road safety and mobility, CAA South Central Ontario is a not-for-profit auto club which represents the interests of over 2 million members. For over a century, CAA has collaborated with communities, police services and governments to help keep drivers and their families safe while travelling on roads.



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