

King Township breaks ground on new recreation centre at King Campus

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The Township of King broke ground today on a Township-Wide Community Centre at King Campus, which is being made possible with funding support from the federal and provincial governments, Seneca and local developers.

In attendance were Seneca President David Agnew; Francesco Sorbara, MP for Vaughan–Woodbridge; Anna Roberts, MP, King-Vaughan; Stephen Lecce, Minister of Education and MPP for King-Vaughan and King Township Mayor Steve Pellegrini.

“Seneca is delighted to contribute the land for this important community asset on our King Campus,” said President Agnew. “This project continues tradition of partnership between Seneca and the King community that is now more than 50 years long, and adds to the unique appeal of King Campus as a health and wellness destination for students and residents.”

Scheduled to open in 2024, the centre will feature 124,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor facilities and is being constructed on 25 acres at the southeast corner of King Campus.

The Government of Canada is investing over \$21.1 million in the centre through the Community, Culture and Recreation Infrastructure Stream of the *Investing in Canada* plan. The Government of Ontario is providing over \$17.6 million.

The Township of King is providing over \$20 million, mostly through development charges, with another \$16 million contributed by developers as community benefits. Seneca and King have signed a 99-year lease agreement for the land at a cost of \$1 per year.

The project is also exploring energy-efficient measures, such as natural ventilation, reclaiming waste heat from the refrigeration system and an open-loop geothermal heat exchange.

“The new Township-Wide Recreation Centre is a successful collaboration between levels of government and the King community,” said Mayor Pellegrini. “Our thanks goes to the Government of Canada, the Province of Ontario, Seneca, and our development community.”

More information about the King recreation centre can be found [online](#).





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