

New Islamic Centre in Thorncliffe Park

As part of the Ontario Line project, the Islamic Society of Toronto (IST) and Metrolinx are working in partnership to convert an existing building at 20 Overlea Boulevard into a new Islamic Centre in the Thorncliffe Park community.

The new centre will have:

- five times more space than IST's current facility at 4 Thorncliffe Park Drive to support a growing community;
- a range of new facilities that will provide space for youth activities, a new gymnasium, and educational programs;
- better and improved prayer spaces for women;
- facilities that will, for the first time, enable the mosque to provide an Islamic funeral service in the Thorncliffe Park community.

This new centre realizes the Islamic Society of Toronto's vision for a new, expanded facility that can serve the communities in Thorncliffe Park and Flemingdon Park, all just steps away from the future Thorncliffe Station on the Ontario Line subway.

Quick Facts about the Ontario Line

- The Ontario Line is a 15.6-kilometre, 15-stop subway line will run from Exhibition Place, through the heart of downtown, and all the way to the Ontario Science Centre, including stops in Thorncliffe Park and Flemingdon Park.
- The [maintenance and storage facility](#) for the Ontario Line, where trains will be housed and maintained to keep them clean and safe for our customers, will be located in Thorncliffe Park in the area where IST's current facility is located. It will bring upwards of 300 new jobs to the community once the Ontario Line is in service.
- The Ontario Line will cut commute times between Thorncliffe Park and downtown Toronto by as much as 15 minutes. It will also give people relief from crowding on existing transit lines across the city by connecting to more than 40 other travel options, including regional GO trains, existing subways, the Eglinton Crosstown LRT, and local bus and streetcar lines.
- By 2041, Thorncliffe Station will:
 - bring 12,800 people within walking distance to transit;
 - see approximately 3,100 customers pass through the station during the busiest travel hour (2,100 getting on and 1,100 getting off the Ontario Line), with 500 of them transferring to or from other transit;
 - connect to 3,000 jobs in the area.