

# Job opportunities still slim

The new year will begin with a subdued job market in York Region, according to results of the latest Employment Outlook Survey from Manpower Temporary Services.

The first quarter hiring forecast, announced recently, shows that three per cent of the area employers interviewed intend to add more workers during the January/February/March period, while nine per cent anticipate staff reductions. The remaining 88 per cent foresee no change in current personnel levels.

"The latest findings are not nearly as promising as three months ago, when 19 per cent of the employers expressed hiring plans and only three per cent envisioned decreases," said April Monteiro of Manpower. "However, the first quarter is typically the weakest of the year."

The best job opportunities this winter appear to be in services. Staff reductions are expected in construction, transportation/public utilities and wholesale/retail trade.


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**NOTICE TO PICKERING RESIDENTS**  
**HOURS OF OPERATION OVER THE HOLIDAYS**  
Please note the following hours of operation for the various Departments of the Town of Pickering over the holiday season:

**CIVIC COMPLEX**  
(Clerk's, Legal, Personnel, Planning, Public Works, Treasury)

Thursday, December 23rd	Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday, December 24th	Closed
Monday, December 27th	Closed
Tuesday, December 28th	Closed
Wednesday, December 29th	Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Thursday, December 30th	Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Friday, December 31st	Closed
Monday, January 3rd	Closed
Tuesday, January 4th	Open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**CENTRAL LIBRARY**  
(Hours of branch libraries may vary)

Thursday, December 23rd	Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday, December 24th	Closed
Saturday, December 25th	Closed
Monday, December 27th	Closed
Tuesday, December 28th	Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, December 29th	Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, December 30th	Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday, December 31st	Closed
Saturday, January 1st	Closed
Monday, January 3rd	Closed
Tuesday, January 4th	Open 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**TRANSIT SYSTEM**

Thursday, December 23rd	Normal Operations
Friday, December 24th	Closed
Monday, December 27th	Closed
Tuesday, December 28th	Closed
Wednesday, December 29th	Normal Operations
Thursday, December 30th	Normal Operations
Friday, December 31st	Closed
Monday, January 3rd	Normal Operations
Tuesday, January 4th	Normal Operations Resume

**GARBAGE AND BLUE BOX COLLECTION**

Thursday, December 23rd	Normal Collection
Friday, December 24th	No Collection
Monday, December 27th	No Collection
Tuesday, December 28th	Normal Collection
Wednesday, December 29th	Normal Collection
Thursday, December 30th	Normal Collection
Friday, December 31st	Normal Collection
Monday, January 3rd	No Collection
Tuesday, January 4th	Normal Collection Resumes

For those residents who will have no garbage and blue box collection on December 24th, there will be no alternate days for collection. Please hold your garbage until the next regular collection on December 31st and next regular blue box collection on January 7th.


Any questions about these hours of operation should be directed to the Town of Pickering Civic Complex at 420-2222 or the Pickering Public Library System at 831-6265.

  
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