Introduction to the Toronto Community Crisis Service (TCCS) Pilots

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A Made-in-Toronto Approach



- The Toronto Community Crisis Service is a pilot led by community anchor partners in four areas across the City.
- The pilot will operate from 2022-2025, with a view to full scale city-wide implementation in 2026.
- The service is one of the key priority actions under SafeTO – Toronto's 10 Year community safety and wellbeing plan.



What is the Toronto Community Crisis Service?



24/7 service



"No wrong door" approach that leverages multiple intake channels



Voluntary, consent-based



Mobile crisis teams



Serves clients 16+



Post-crisis follow-up, case management and service navigation



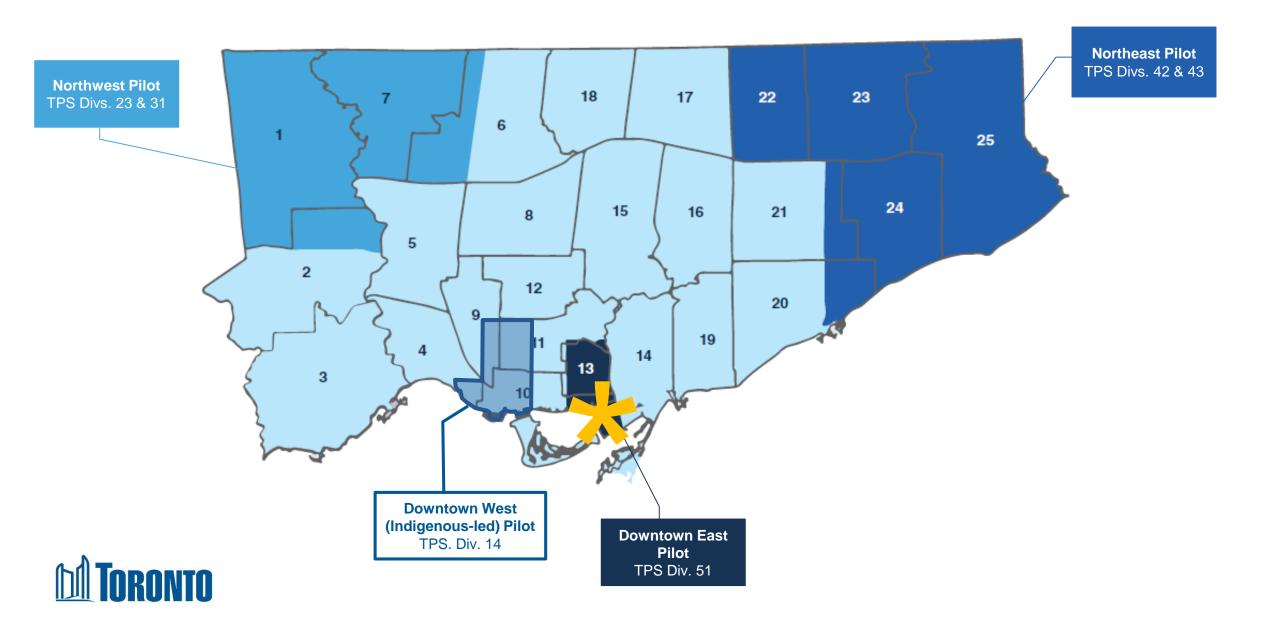
Trauma-informed care and harm-reduction



Culturally relevant services and referral network



Pilot Geography



Locally Responsive Implementation

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- Afrocentric approach to mental health and wellbeing
- Network of 7 local partners: Hong Fook Mental Health Association, Strides Toronto, CMHA
 Toronto, CAMH, Scarborough Health Network, Scarborough Centre for Healthy Communities,

 Black Health Alliance

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- Strengths-based, non-medical, trauma informed, harm reduction approach to crisis for over 30 years
- Network of referral pathways: Strides Toronto, Toronto North Support Services, Unity Health Toronto, WoodGreen Community Services, Health Access St.James Town, Inner City Health Associates, Regent Park CHC, Parkdale Queen West CHC

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- Maawinizo-wiidookidaading Maanda Pii Mineskaag ("Supporting Each Other in this Time of Need") Indigenous-led approach with a focus on harm reduction and holistic health and wellness that centres the individual at the centre of the medicine wheel.
- Network of 2 local partners: ENAGB Indigenous Youth Agency, Parkdale Queen West CHC

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- Anti-racist, anti-oppressive, and culturally safe approach
- Network of **8 local partners**: Yorktown Family Services, Jane and Finch Centre, CAFCAN, Rexdale CHC, Black Creek CHC, Addiction Services Central Ontario, Black Health Alliance

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High-Level Service Map





City staff and anchor partners will work on establishing and advertising multiple intake channels to ensure a "no wrong door" approach to service access



Call Triaged by 9-1-1

Criteria: • No medical emergency and no public safety concerns



Ask caller's for consent to share personal information





Dispatch Mobile Crisis Teams

 211 unable to resolve over the phone and caller requires in person assistance



2-1-1 completes assessment

 211 completes assessment of caller's needs over the phone





Mobile Teams Arrive On Scene

- 24/7 availability
- Individualized, voluntary care
- Immediate crisis management, harm reduction
- Referrals to services
- Offer to follow up





Follow-Up & Resource Navigation





Visual Appearance of Crisis Workers

- All crisis workers will have a lanyard and ID
- All vehicles will have back windshield decals, including the community anchor partner logo, City of Toronto, and TCCS graphic identifier.







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