

Need for Program Space

North York Harvest provides food for 77 programs in Toronto that serve over 13,000 people each month.

Finding permanent, adequate space is important for our agencies so that they can run programs to serve the community.

Many programs are not wheelchair accessible



Programs fear they will need to move because of rent increase or closures/sales of current space

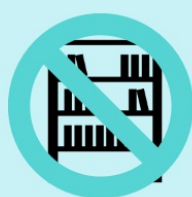
Most operate in church basements, community housing or schools



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Not In My BackYard

Some neighbourhoods do not want services like food banks in the area



Many don't have enough space to store items or accept more fresh food for clients

Some programs do not have funding for heat, A/C or repairs. One doesn't have a working washroom.



SPACE AVAILABLE = \$\$\$\$\$



Many programs must pay high rents which comes out of program funds

There are spaces available but it almost always comes at a cost unreachable for our agencies.



UNDIGNIFIED WAITING AREAS



1. small & cramped spaces
2. Waiting outside regardless of weather
3. Public waiting areas such as school halls (no privacy)

Without proper space there are even food banks running out of a bike closet



NO VACANCY

