

Media Release

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Buy and Load PRESTO Cards at the King City Branch of the King Township Public Library

The King Township Public Library (KTPL) is pleased to announce an enhanced partnership with PRESTO. Starting in June 2017, interested residents can both <u>buy</u> and <u>load</u> PRESTO cards at the King City Branch of the King Township Public Library.

In the Library's original partnership with York Region Transit and PRESTO, we were limited to offering card loading services only. In order to purchase a card, the only option available to King residents was to visit the King City GO station during its early morning hours of operation, or travel into Richmond Hill or Newmarket. Now, residents can purchase and activate new PRESTO cards during the King City branch's hours, which are 10am-8pm on all weekdays, 10am - 5pm on Saturdays (The branch is open on Sundays 1pm – 4pm as well, during the school year between October and May).

"The Library is pleased to be hosting this invaluable service for our residents," said Rona O'Banion, CEO of KTPL, "being able to buy and load PRESTO cards at the King City library branch will make it easier for residents of King who use public transit, particularly students and seniors."

PRESTO Cards can be used for 11 transit systems across the GTA: (YRT)/Viva (York Region Transit), GO and the TTC (Toronto Transit Commission). You can manage your card online, or purchase/load their card at PRESTO partners, like the King City library branch.

The partnership between KTPL and the YRT/Viva is timely, as of July 1, 2017 the YRT/Viva will be moving to card – only fares and will no longer be selling paper tickets and passes.

Please visit your local Library or the website for additional information on this exciting new partnership.

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