

SCHOMBERG COMMUNITY PROFILE

King Township, Ontario



Welcome to Schomberg, a community of approximately 2,500 residents, located in the northwest quadrant of the Township. Schomberg enjoys a diverse, balanced economy and lifestyle in a quaint village setting, steeped in tradition. To promote the quaint village atmosphere, local community groups work together in organizing a variety of events held throughout the year.



Welcome to Schomberg



Schomberg Fire & Emergency Station No. 36
91 Proctor Rd.



Showa Canada
1 Showa Court



Schomberg Agricultural Fair



Port Soirée Restaurant Café
174 Main St



Laurier Homes,
Kingsgate
Schomberg,
Southwest corner
of Hwy 27 & Hwy 9



Sheena's, Pretty Ridge, Scruffy Duck
Old Feed Mill, Circa 1844
357 Main Street



King Township Public Library
77 Main St.



Schomberg Community Arena
251 Western Ave.



Brownsville Junction Plaza
17250 Hwy 27

Community Highlights:

- *History of Schomberg*
- *Location & Transportation*
- *Population & Housing*
- *Education*
- *Workforce*
- *Business*
- *Recreation & Culture*
- *Community Organizations & Associations*

History of Schomberg

The village of Schomberg originally was named Brownsville, after the four Brown brothers from Pennsylvania, who settled in the area in 1830. The Brown brothers were an energetic family: John was interested in farming, and purchased 100 acres when they arrived; Thomas built the first mill in 1836, and it stood as the nucleus of the growing community for over 125 years, before being torn down; Garrett built the first bank at the corner of Main and Church Streets. Little is known of Robert. The community name of Brownsville was changed in order for the hamlet's application for a post office to be successful; as there was already a Brownsville in York County, south of Woodbridge. The name Schomberg, taken from The Duke of Schomberg, a fallen hero from the Battle of the Boyne (1690), was selected to replace Brownsville; the post office opened on August 1, 1862.

The hamlet, in 1850, offered services and products from two general stores, a liquor store, a tavern, a blacksmith shop, a wagon shop, two shoe-shops, a tannery. The population occupied 25 houses. Two local papers operated in the early 1860's, and were active on local issues. By 1862, Schomberg was a busy trading centre; and, by 1895, other businesses included a tailor shop, a bakery/confectionary, furniture store, two hotels, a butcher, a blacksmith, a clothing store, a jewellery shop, and a hardware store. Some of the family names, still familiar to the community, included:

Kitchen, Hulse, Taggart, Dillane, Kay, and Dennis. The arrival of the rail line from Oak Ridges to Schomberg, running from 1902 to 1927, represented another period of prosperity.

The event highlight of the year was the annual fair, originally organized in 1851 as a fall event, and moved around the township from year to year. The Fall Fair found its permanent home in Schomberg in 1872. Eighty-five years later, in 1957, the Fall Fair became a Spring Fair, and is held annually during the last weekend in May.



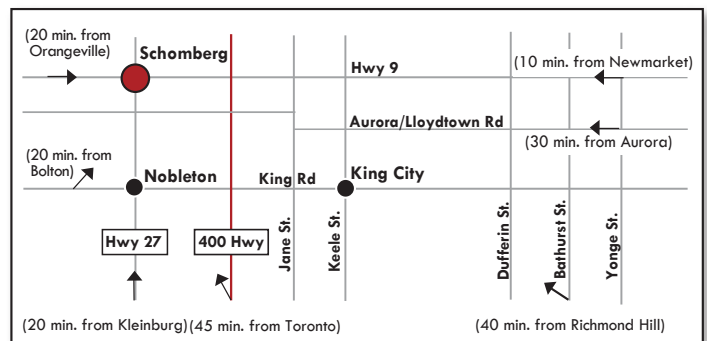
Schomberg Community Hall, Circa 1907
325 Main Street

Schomberg continues to attract residents seeking a quaint, rural village lifestyle steeped in tradition.

For more information on the history of Schomberg, visit www.king.ca

Location & Transportation

Schomberg is a village in the Township of King, the largest geographic municipality of the nine located in York Region. **Schomberg is situated south of the intersection of Hwy 27 and Hwy 9.** Neighbouring communities include: New Tecumseth to the north; Nobleton to the south; Pottageville to the east; Lloydtown to the west. There is easy access to major provincial highways: North/South routes of **Hwy 400** and **Hwy 427**; East/West route of **Hwy 9**.



Population & Housing

The population of Schomberg has increased steadily over the years, as new subdivisions have been approved and completed. Many of the residents in the community are descendants of the original families. Schomberg offers seniors affordable units at Kitchen Breendon Manor, condominium style living at Chestnut Manor and Signature Developments address housing needs of seniors.

Those wanting to move from more populated areas are drawn to Schomberg's quaint community lifestyle. To accommodate growth in Schomberg, the following developments have been approved:

- Laurier Homes (27) Ltd., Northwest corner of Doctor Kay Dr. and Hwy 27 (Regional Rd. 27) **147 singles, 52 semis, 29 townhouses**
www.laurierhomes.ca

HOUSING	2010 ASSESSED VALUE	APPROXIMATE PROPERTY TAXES
Single Detached, 3 bdrm Bungalow, 90 ft. x 216ft.	\$373,000	\$3,808
Single Detached, 3 bdrm 2 Storey, 120.89 ft. x 205.64ft.	\$367,500	\$3,843
Rural Estate, 4 Bdrm 2 Storey, 3/4 acres	\$430,500	\$5,900
Rural Farm Single Detached, 4 Bdrm , 1-1/2 Storey, 25 acres	\$582,000	\$3,900

- Triumph North, Signature Developments, South side of Church St. west of Castlewood Ave., a 6-storey condominium apartment with approximately **127 units** of various sizes. www.signaturehomes.ca
- DiPoce Management Limited, Industrial Plan of Subdivision on 22.4 acres, located east of Highway 27 and south of Hwy 9. This will present opportunities for commercial and industrial uses.
- Brownsville Junction, **7 townhouses** on Cooper Dr.

For more information, visit www.king.ca

Residents of Schomberg are served by: Schomberg Fire and Emergency Services, Station #36; York Region Emergency Medical Services; and York Regional Police.

SCHOMBERG GROWTH FORECAST	
Year	Population
2009	2,500
2018	3,100
2021	3,300

Education

The first school was built in 1820, at the 9th Concession (Hwy 27) and Lloydtown Road. The second school, which replaced the first school, was built in 1845 close to the site of the existing Schomberg Elementary Public School. In 1867 a third construction replaced the one built in 1845. The fourth, and final construction, was built in 1927 on the same site.

The village of Schomberg offers education from the Public and Separate sectors.



Schomberg Elementary Public School
21 Main Street
T. (905) 939-7711
www.schomberg.ps.yrdsb.edu.on.ca

- Houses students from Kindergarten to Grade 6
- Approximate enrolment **160**
- Approximate staffing **12**
- Students walk, are driven, or are bussed



St. Patrick's Catholic School
51 Western Avenue
Tel. (905) 939-7753
www.esip.edu.gov.on.ca

- Houses students from Kindergarten to Grade 8
- Approximate enrolment **271**
- Approximate staffing **25**
- Students walk, are driven, or are bussed

Elementary Public School students attend Grades 7 & 8 at **Nobleton Senior Public School**, 13375 Hwy 27, Nobleton; and, then continue on from Grades 9 to 12 at **King City Secondary School**, 2001 King Road, King City.

Separate School students attend **Cardinal Carter**, 210 Bloomington Rd. West, Aurora. Other private school options in King City and within close proximity to Schomberg include; **St. Thomas of Villa Nova**, 2480 15th Sideroad, **Country Day School**, 13415 Dufferin Street. Both offer programming for Elementary and Secondary students. **Seneca College**, King Campus, located at 13990 Dufferin Street in King City, offers post-secondary programs.

French Immersion Programs are offered at **Windham Ridge Public School** in Oak Ridges and at **Aurora Secondary School** in Aurora. For more information, visit **www.king.ca**

Workforce

The majority of residents work outside of Schomberg and the Township. There is a moderate commute to Toronto. Occupations include positions in: Management, Business, Finance and Administration, Sales and Service, Trades, Transport, Equipment Operators and related fields, Health, Education, Government Service, Culture and Recreation.

Business

The residents of Schomberg are served by approximately 200 local businesses.

Merchants offer residents the convenience of shopping at the local **Foodland**, **Guardian Drugs**, **Tim Horton's**, pizza shops, a variety of restaurants and eateries, **LCBO**, **Beer Store**, **Schomberg Hardware**, gift shops, coffee shops, convenience stores, **SUNOCO Gas Bar**, **Rona Cashway**, flower shops, nurseries, home furnishing stores, clothing boutiques, farm and garden supplies.

In the community, a variety of service providers include: **Canada Post**, **CIBC bank**, accountants, consultants, butchers, construction, interior design, insurance brokers, real estate brokers, graphic designers, daycare, doctors, dentists, physiotherapists, hair stylists, aestheticians, alternate health service providers, home maintenance service providers, **Foley Restoration**, dry cleaners, automotive

TOP 5 EMPLOYERS		
BUSINESS NAME	SECTOR	NO. OF EMPLOYEES
Showa	Manufacturing	350
BC Instruments	Manufacturing	141
Schomberg Foodland	Retail	90
Tagg Industries	Manufacturing	40
Alpine Graphics	Manufacturing	20

mechanics, landscapers and gardeners, photographers, architects & contractors, veterinarians, open outdoor storage providers, property management companies, legal service providers.

Specialty services and products are offered by: **Schomberg Farm & Garden Supplies**, and **Richvale Saddlery** equine products and services providers.

The businesses in the industrial area, providing a wide variety of manufactured products and services, offer employment opportunities to local residents.

For a complete directory of businesses, visit **www.king.ca** and access Your Local Marketplace link.



The Schomberg business community is served by the King Chamber of Commerce. **www.kingchamber.ca**

Schomberg, Ontario

Prospering and Preserving



Recreation & Culture



Ground Breaking Ceremony
Multi-Use Recreation Facility
(L-R) Mayor Margaret Black, MPP
Helena Jaczek, MP Paul Calandra,
Regional Chair Bill Fisch and
Councillor Bill Cober.

Schomberg residents are able to enjoy a number of sporting activities: **Baseball, Curling, Hockey, Skating, Soccer, Tennis.** The Parks, Recreation and Culture Department of King Township offers a wide variety of programming for all ages throughout the year. To view the Program Guide, visit the website www.king.ca click on Departments, and follow the link to Parks, Recreation and Culture.

Residents have many opportunities to socialize at events organized by various groups throughout the year, such as: musical events, dances and socials. Other physical activities include: dance classes, hiking in the local area, Tai Chi, and activities for seniors. The Annual Schomberg Village Street Gallery is held in September.

The **Schomberg Agricultural Fair** is held during the last weekend in May at the Schomberg Community Fairground and Arena. It is organized by the Schomberg Agricultural Society, and has been a part of the community for 160 years. Some of the attractions include: a midway, demolition derby, musical entertainment, various vendors and exhibitors, displays set up in the arena, contests, and other activities inviting the participation of attendees. Visit the website at www.schombergfair.com for more information.

Another popular outdoor event is **A Main Street Christmas**, which is held on the 1st Saturday of December. The event boasts an afternoon Santa Claus Parade and an old-fashioned Victorian atmosphere with festive foods and entertainment for young and old, along historic Main Street. The evening is capped off with a spectacular "Farmers' Parade of Lights".



Farmers' Parade of Lights
A Main Street Christmas

Community Organizations & Associations

Volunteer organizations are vital to the culture and society of Schomberg. They play an important role in bringing together the residents, the Township, guests and visitors. Their dedication and commitment to the community contributes to residents enjoying a full and vibrant lifestyle in this quaint rural village. To access a complete list of organizations and associations, visit www.king.ca.

The Schomberg Village Association is very active in engaging the residents and businesses in keeping the village vibrant. Visit www.schomberg.ca



Township of King

Mayor
Margaret Black

Councillors
Cleve Mortelliti
Jeff Laidlaw
Linda Pabst
Bill Cober
Jane Underhill
Jack Rupke

Economic Development Officer
Jamie Smyth

Resources:

The Corporation of the Township of King
Toronto Real Estate Board (TREB)
Your Local Marketplace (YLM)

Early Settlements of King Township, Ontario
Elizabeth McClure Gillham
The University of Toronto Press Incorporated, 1975

**MULTI-USE
RECREATION
FACILITY**

IS SCHEDULED
TO OPEN IN 2011
EAST OF HWY 27
SOUTH OF HWY 9
Serving all of King
Township

DEDICATED CURLING
FACILITY
4 Sheets
Viewing Lounge

SKATING/HOCKEY ARENA

FITNESS CENTRE
Running Track
Spinning Room

SPORTS CLUBS	SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS
King Township Baseball Association	Arts Society King
Schomberg Cougars Jr. C Hockey Club	Dufferin Marsh Committee
Schomberg Curling Club	Schomberg Agricultural Society
Schomberg Minor Hockey Association	Schomberg Horticultural Society
Schomberg Skating Club	Schomberg Lions Club
Schomberg Soccer Club	Schomberg Village Association

PLACES OF WORSHIP	
Emmanuel Presbyterian Church	St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church
Schomberg United Church	St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church

For More Information Contact the following departments:	
By-Law	T. 905.833.5321
Clerk's	T. 905.833.5321
Economic Development	T. 905.833.4016
Engineering & Public Works	T. 905.833.5321
Finance	T. 905.833.5321
Fire & Emergency Services	T. 905.833.5321
Parks, Recreation and Culture	T. 905.859.0056
Planning	T. 905.833.5321

