

TORONTO'S CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION HOME OF CANADA'S FIRST SOLAR COMPACTOR

In a unique application this past summer the Ex had all of the Midway garbage collected and compacted without using energy! This unique compactor also featured "Low Impact Rubber Wheels" to prevent damage to the pavement. This established how Waste Management can reduce the "footprint" in a couple different ways.

In the parking lot across from the BMO field a "Solar Powered" compactor unit was used at the 2007 EX to take care of all the trash from the Midway. Staff reported it worked out very well.

In past years the operations consisted of using the traditional compactor units on a short term event only basis. This required wiring up the equipment and then dismantling and removing it after the "big event".

No complicated wiring and disconnects – just an integrated self standing power unit with a solar panel on top to power it.

Now plans are underway for this Solar Compactor to be permanently re-located at the Direct Energy Building. This time the Solar Panel will be remounted on the building roof. This is just down the road from the "Recently Refreshed – Sustainable Condo Exhibit" now housed in the former CNE Music Building. This display organized by CMHC enlightens visitors to many different ways to enhance the sustainability of multi-unit residential dwellings.

While this type of compactor is not integrated into exclusively residential settings the many "Mixed Use" complex developments may see bright ideas popping up in the future. There is also a substantial opportunity for other "Event or Short Term" applications for this type of equipment.

Stay tuned for other innovations in the Greening of Waste Management Infrastructure. ♦

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TAPESTRY AT VILLAGE GATE WEST OPENS DOORS

**THE WAIT IS FINALLY OVER FOR EAGER RESIDENTS
AND FAMILY MEMBERS IN TORONTO**

Tapestry at Village Gate West is designed to provide a high-end, resort-style atmosphere for a new generation of active adults, opened its doors this past April. Beautifully situated in a diverse master-planned neighbourhood in desirable central Etobicoke, Tapestry at Village Gate West is only steps from the charming hub of the historic Village of Islington and minutes from downtown Toronto. Residents can also enjoy nearby restaurants, shopping and a host of recreational activities.

Concert developed and co-owns Tapestry at Village Gate West with Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System (OMERS) and Sun Life Financial. Seattle-based Leisure Care is managing the new community, and has a strong reputation in the retirement housing industry for creating outstanding living environments for seniors.

General Manager Cathy Wallbank and her team are very excited now that the construction of Tapestry at Village Gate is completed.

"Tapestry at Village Gate West will provide a level of services, amenities and programs for active seniors that are unmatched in the industry," she said. "Our team can't wait to provide the retirement of your dreams at this incredible community."

With its striking architecture and sophisticated common area décor, Tapestry at Village Gate West features 168 one and two-bedroom suites, with many apartments over 1,000 square feet. These spacious suites will include full equipped full-size kitchens, weekly housekeeping, cable television and utilities.

Life at this new community will also feature a number of signature programs designed in support of its residents' overall health and wellness. From a Brain Fitness Centre, PrimeFitSM Fitness Gym, indoor saline swimming pool, full-service salon and spa, golf simulator, theater, TLC by Leisure Care travel services, private transportation, al la carte fine dining and a full-service pub. Tapestry at Village Gate West also offers a full menu of Assisted Living/Personalized Health and Wellness Services that are available on an as need/when need basis. ♦

TAPESTRY AT VILLAGE GATE WEST is an 11-storey concrete building located at 15 Summerland Terrace, the new private road within the new community, formerly 5129 Dundas Street West. Those interested can drop by and see the lifestyle of choice that will exist in this new community. You can also view additional information online at www.DiscoverTapestry.com.