

Hugh Garner Policy regarding Not Feeding the non-domesticated birds or animals on our property

This policy has been created in response to concern about toxicity of bird and animal droppings, found on and around Hugh Garner Property.

In particular, the policy reflects both the Health and Safety and Financial concerns, of feeding birds directly from unit windows or roofs of the building.

Animal and particularly bird waste creates a Health and Safety concern for all who come into contact with it. Adult members; staff; the elderly; children; those with medical issues like respiratory or immune compromised conditions; and even small, domesticated animals who are walked around the building.

Financial concerns include paying for spikes to be placed on windows to discourage birds from coming for food; paying for areas as such as the *Breezeway* to be disinfected and possible fines from the city for violating the No Feeding policy in the city parks, so close to our building.

No member or guest is permitted to feed birds or animals on Hugh Garner Property.

- No feeding of non-domesticated birds or animals is allowed anywhere on 550 Ontario St., Toronto ON M4X 1X3. This includes common areas, member units and the circumference of the building.
- This policy takes effect on December 1st, 2021

Signage

- To ensure members and guests are aware of the feeding ban, signs will be posted in the outside common areas and at the back door.
- Each sign will have the following information
- *please do not feed the outside birds or animals in our co-op - their droppings constitute a health hazard to our members - especially small children and the elderly - thank you*

Enforcement

- Members who do not comply with this policy and/or ensure that their guests comply with this policy, may be issued a *Notice to Appear* before the Board of Directors

Approved by Your Board of Directors on December 1st 2021

MISSION STATEMENT:

Hugh Garner Housing Co-operative provides through democratic participation of its diverse membership, environmentally sustainable, affordable and safe co-operative housing