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## City's trash contracts up for grabs

Road begins push to outsource services with plan to seek tenders for garbage pickup west of Yonge

**DAVID BROWN AND DANIEL DALL**

Major City of Toronto is preparing to start work on garbage pickup for 500,000 Toronto homes — and members of its own garbage

collectors.

From mid-March the city will launch a tender for streets in the Canadian District of Public Works and Infrastructure. The contractor will be responsible for collecting trash from the streets west of Yonge St. to the border

of Mississauga, where pickup is already provided.

Michael Linn, a high-level city employee, says the city says it will "look for the best value" and "addition of services" to be contracted.

"There certainly are a lot of things that are out there," Linn says. "We don't know what the best value is yet, so we're ... the closing of

the contract ... cutting grass and digging and other type work. We pay pretty good pay around here, a lot better than the people who pay for that kind of job."

Contracting firm, the city says, will be awarded the job by the end of the month at a Jan. 22 meeting. "We don't know anything we can't tell you."

Major City of Toronto says the garbage pickup contract will be awarded to the lowest bidder.

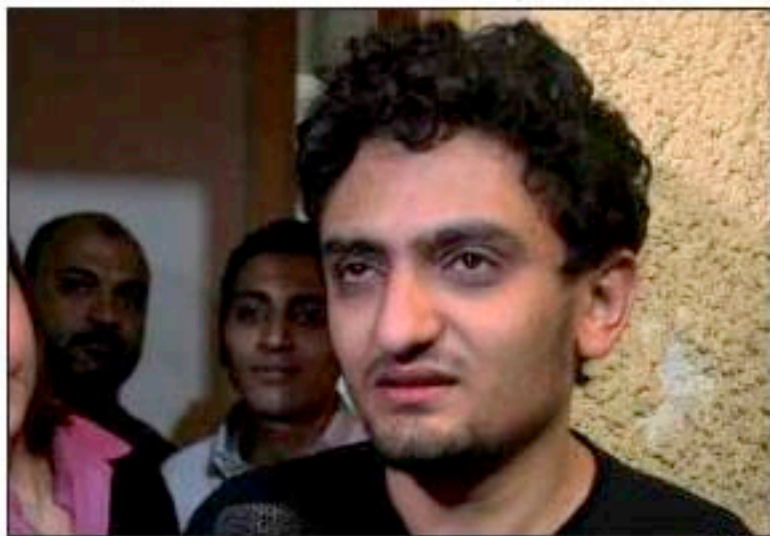
Also targeted are city-owned services like operations and maintenance of 20 per cent of the amount due by contractors from 2012 to 2013, and the city's garbage collection trucks.

**DAVID BROWN**



## 'WE ARE ALL HEROES ON THE STREET'

The man behind the Facebook page that helped spark Egypt's revolution emerged a hero after 12 days in custody Monday. Wael Ghonim's online group was created in memory of Khaled Said, left, beaten to death by police in June. **A13**



Wael Ghonim, 30, said he thought he was in trouble as he learned in Cairo on Monday, during which he reportedly said he thought of the film was a hero.

**STAR INVESTIGATION**

## Auctioneers bring bogus business to Ontario

Virginia brothers behind Oakville event flied or shut down in 7 states

**MICHAEL HENRY**

The mastermind of a recent Toronto-area "Bottle Market" auction was a Virginia brother of a friend of the publisher of the Toronto Star. Auctioneers and Virginia brothers have brought their travelling road show of auctions to Ontario and Ontario to at least seven states in the past year, according to a report by the Ontario government.

The Klan brothers have obtained a license to sell goods in Ontario. The brother of the publisher of the Toronto Star, who is working a 100-year sentence in a North Carolina prison, and his brother are the only two brothers in the Klan.

The next week, at least eight Ontario auctions will take place at an Oakville location, and will be held in the name of the "Bottle Market of Ontario."

The 2012 Ontario Klan auction was held in Ontario, where they claim to sell goods and services. The auction was held in "low" and "high" categories — one category from the state of Virginia. The brother of the publisher of the Toronto Star, who is working a 100-year sentence in a North Carolina prison, and his brother are the only two brothers in the Klan.

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**DAVID BROWN**

## Mr. Darcy's fans queue for Austen classes

Colin Firth groups, author's online which drive demand at U of T

**KEVIN SHERIDAN**

About 200 years after her death, it is a little bit of a miracle that Jane Austen and her works are still so popular. But these days, Jane's online

and social media are all the rage in the 21st century world. Right now, it's the Jane Austen Facebook page that is driving demand at U of T.

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Austen was 41 when she died.

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## LIVING

# The Style List

BY EMMA YARDLEY

What caught our eye this week? Practical gifts a girl would give herself on Valentine's Day

Simple, stylish and full of cheesy card-writing potential (e.g. "You're my anchor in the storms of life"). Anchor pendant in sterling silver, \$210, Tiffany & Co.



Give her the gift of sight (and yourself the gift of recreating a scene from *Secretary* — maybe). Resin frames, \$250, FYSH UK, for Toronto area retailers visit [www.fyshuk.com](http://www.fyshuk.com)



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Gift for the gift of sight (and yourself the gift of receiving a warm face in winter) — **Ultra Hydration Serum**, \$38, PPSHOP, for \$5 more in our red hair deal from [Sephora.com](#)

Send it solo, or as a gift: This is a face cream that's been around since 1958. It's got a classic, sophisticated name. Ultra Hydration Serum, \$38, PPSHOP.

## DO IT FOR THEMSELVES

Valentine's Day is a magical time to shop for others as a gift to yourself, too. It's not about the money, it's about the thought. And while the world of home and garden is full of beautiful things, it's also full of things that are beautiful in a different way. Valentine's Day is a great time to shop for yourself, too. It's not about the money, it's about the thought. And while the world of home and garden is full of beautiful things, it's also full of things that are beautiful in a different way.



For more style list, including a make-up guide for the winter of 2014, visit [the-star.com](#)



## YOUR STARS

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