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Hamilton Police Services Board 155 King William Street Hamilton, Ontario L8R 1A7



Dear Board,

I am connecting with you to announce the launch of our signature fundraising event scheduled for Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. This is turning out to be our largest event yet and will be held at Pier 4 Park.

In 2019, we were privileged to have strong support from Hamilton Police Service. Officers pledged financial support, walked and we were honoured by having the mounted unit with Lincoln and MacNab. In 2020, HPS continued to offer support even though we went virtual.

As you know, Wayside House of Hamilton has long been a strong supporter of our Police Service. We see you as true partners working with us on the betterment of those we serve. At a time when some community agencies distance themselves from police we see the benefits of an even closer relationship.

Personally, I sat on the Chief's Standing Committee on Police Interactions with People in Crisis, participated in Crisis Intervention Training, co-authored the Substance Use Related Crime in Hamilton report and was the inaugural chair of COAST.

Wayside House has been privileged to have HPS officers on our board. I believe we have had officers on every board since I joined Wayside House in 1999. Currently Acting Sgt. Anthony Volpe is a director. We all benefit from this support and I believe both services are better as a result.

Wayside House of Hamilton thanks the HPS for their continued leadership and investment in our community. We would be humbled by any support the board may consider.

Respectfully,

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