



## HOCKEY HELPS THE HOMELESS HQ

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### HOCKEY HELPS THE HOMELESS BAY ST. UPDATE RE: COVID-19 NEW BAY ST. TOURNAMENT DATE

In light of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, direction from the Federal, Provincial and Municipal Governments and to ensure the safety of our event attendees, we have decided to postpone the Hockey Helps the Homeless Bay St. Tournament from Saturday, April 18th to **Saturday, September 19th**. We will host the Tournament at Scotiabank Pond, preceded by the Tournament Draft Night at The Hockey Hall of Fame on Wednesday, September 16th. **We recognize that Saturday, September 19th falls on Rosh Hashanah and that some of you may not be able to join us for that reason. I want to assure you that we looked at every possible date and venue combination for the Fall, but our options were very limited.**

Initially, we hoped to host the Tournament in June, however as we continue to monitor the status of COVID-19 we believe it is in the best interest and safety of all of our participants to move the tournament to the Fall. We are hopeful that by postponing our Tournament to September, we are allowing enough time for the COVID-19 pandemic to pass, and for our Players, Sponsors, Donors and Volunteers to return to a new sense of normal. **For our Team Sponsors, Captains, Players and Volunteers, we will be following up with you directly in the coming days to determine your ability to participate on our new date (September 19th). If Rosh Hashanah does affect you or your team's ability to participate, please let us know so we can try to amend the schedule to ensure your team finishes up early, if that is of any benefit.**

Right now, the need for funding and resources for Toronto's homeless and at-risk youth population is greater than ever as our partner, **Eva's Initiatives is being hit extremely hard by this pandemic. We encourage you and your teammates to continue fundraising in support of Eva's and to keep the momentum you've built strong as we move forward.** We hope that you are able to show your continued support and join us in the Fall. We will continue to provide more information via e-mail as we near our new date.

Many thanks in advance and stay safe.

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