



HOCKEY HELPS THE HOMELESS HQ

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HHTH VANCOUVER STATEMENT – AS OF OCTOBER 12th, 2021

Hello HHTH Vancouver Participants and Volunteers,

Thank you so much for being a part of the Hockey Helps the Homeless Vancouver family. We are very excited to be hosting our event again this year as it has been far too long! For those deciding to join us again this year, we appreciate your continued support, and we wanted to keep you informed on some updates being made to the event.

We have been working closely with UBC Management to host a successful, compliant, and safe tournament for all. Please read carefully for important information and updates to this year's tournament below. Feel free to reach out to Brian Steinman, Sr. Operations Coordinator at Hockey Helps the Homeless, if you have any questions or concerns. He can be reached at brian@hthh.com or at 905-943-4250 ext. 106.

Vaccine Protocol

- Due to the decision of the British Columbia Provincial Government, UBC Operations and HHTH Board of Directors, all participants, staff, volunteers, and any other event attendees must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to be eligible to attend the tournament. You will be required to show proof of your second vaccination AND a valid form of government issued ID upon arrival to enter the facility or support the event in person in any capacity. As per Health Canada, you are considered to be fully vaccinated if you have received two doses of a Health Canada approved COVID-19 vaccine and 14 days have passed since your second dose.

Tournament Format

- This year, we will be hosting a 16-team tournament with six (6) competitive division teams, six (6) recreational division teams, and four (4) ladies division teams under the following format:
 - AM cohort (6 Comp teams): 30-minute breaks between scheduled games.
 - PM cohort (6 Rec teams & 4 Ladies teams): 1-hour breaks between scheduled games.

Venue & COVID Protocols

- Face coverings (covering both nose and mouth) will be required at all times while inside the facility or where social distancing is not possible. The only exception will be while participants are within the "field of play", which includes the ice, benches and dressing rooms. While face coverings are not mandatory within the dressing room, Hockey Helps the Homeless still advises that everyone uses one when they are not actively eating or drinking
- Teams are permitted to leave their dressing room, sit in the stands, and travel from rink to rink between games but there is a strict policy prohibiting congregating/grouping on the concourse. This means there will not be any traditional mezzanine activities for this year's event.
- A single serve box Breakfast or Lunch will be delivered directly to your dressing room during you scheduled cohort games.
- Entry/Exit for the facility will be limited to the Main East entrance on Westbrook Mall.
- Alcoholic beverages will not be available during the tournament but will be an option at the reception.



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Reception(s)

- We will have an identical two-reception format based on AM & PM Cohorts, each with a 130-person capacity limit at Marine Drive Golf Club:
 - AM Cohort – approximately 1pm-3pm
 - PM Cohort – approximately 7pm-9pm
- Guests will be required stay seated for the duration of the reception with the same team members that they shared a dressing room with, with the only exception being going to the washroom or leaving the facility. There is a strict policy prohibiting congregating/grouping anywhere within the facility.
- Face coverings must be worn at all times, with the only exception being at the table and while eating or drinking.

Please note that all of these mandates will be strictly enforced. Event attendees may be asked to leave the facility in the event of multiple infractions, without refund.

Our goal is to provide the safest experience possible for everyone, while still raising money for the most vulnerable in our community who needs the help now more than ever before. Please let us know if you have any questions, comments, or concerns. Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Gucciardi'.

Andrew Gucciardi
Executive Director
Hockey Helps the Homeless