




COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	May 3, 2023
SUBJECT:	First Annual HamOntYouth Summit (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
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In March 2022, Council approved the City of Hamilton's first Youth Strategy (2022 to 2027), a five-year plan for how the City will engage youth aged 14-29 and collaboratively address the pressing issues they face in Hamilton. One of the strategy's goals is to host an annual youth summit. RBC is the corporate sponsor and is sponsoring this year's summit and another Youth Summit in 2024. The event was created in partnership between city staff, members of Hamilton's youth steering committee and RBC representatives.

The event will take place on Saturday, June 3, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Mohawk College in the ArcelorMittal Dofasco Theatre (135 Fennell Ave W, Hamilton, ON, L9C 0E5). Expected attendance is 150 youth aged 16 to 25 years old. The objectives of the event are to inform youth, engage youth voices, build youth skills, and celebrate youth.

Throughout the summit, attendees will be able to:

- Participate in youth-led workshops
- Engage in thoughtful discussions during a Model City Hall session
- Connect with local organizations, businesses and community groups that provide youth-focused resources across Hamilton
- Network with other like-minded youth in the community

Input from the Model City Hall session will be shared back with the Youth Strategy City Staff Steering Committee, which includes broad representation across all City departments and divisions.

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

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Further details about the event will be posted on www.hamilton.ca/youthsummit.

Should you require further information on the first annual HamOntYouth Summit, please contact Jessica Chase, Director, Children's and Community Services Division at ext. 3590 or via email at Jessica.Chase@hamilton.ca.