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Caledon Council's charity golf tournament aids Bolton Camp

Bolton Camp is the primary beneficiary of the 2017 Caledon Council Community Golf Tournament. The fundraising goal of the event is to make a minimum contribution of \$75,000 from tournament proceeds to go towards "The Hub," a multi-purpose space that can accommodate a variety of community events, indoor sport and educational activities.

"On Canada's 150th, I can't think of a better investment," said Jennifer Innis, Councillor, Wards 3/4 and Chair of the Tournament Committee. "Restoring Bolton Camp will benefit our community for generations."

Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, (TRCA), purchased the Bolton Camp property in 2011 and is transforming the site from an overnight camp into a community cultural hub. Built circa 1975, The Hub is the second largest heritage building on site and can accommodate more than 300 users.

"With this funding we will turn more than 4,000 square feet into a central gathering space for the community," said Brian Denney, TRCA CEO. "Restoring The Hub will ensure that TRCA can continue to meet the needs of our rapidly growing community."

The 2017 edition of the tournament will take place on September 6. As it has for many years, Osprey Valley Golf Club will host the event.

"This year we are set to surpass one million dollars in total funds raised over the course of the tournament's 13 year history," said Mayor Allan Thompson. "It's a remarkable testament to the generosity of our sponsors, donors, golfers and volunteers who have made this event such a success. We owe you a million thanks!"

The donation from the Council golf tournament follows an earlier contribution from the Town of Caledon to help build an accessible baseball diamond on the grounds of Bolton Camp. The diamond is a joint project with the TRCA, the Bolton Braves Baseball Association, the Jays Care



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Foundation and the Town of Caledon and will provide children with disabilities with a place to play. The total capital budget for the project is \$445,000 which includes \$150,000 from the Jays Care Foundation “Field of Dreams” grant awarded to the Bolton Braves, and \$295,000 in funding support from The Town of Caledon.

About Bolton Camp

Bolton Camp is a former 254 acre summer camp located in Bolton, Ontario, that features creeks, forest, trails, a sports field, an outdoor pool and over 50 historic buildings. TRCA purchased the Bolton Camp property in 2011 and is planning to invest over \$25 million over 10 years to transform the historically significant camp space into a cultural community hub that will meet the needs of a growing GTA, and more specifically, the Town of Caledon, for generations to come. With a strong network of partners from across the education, government and social service sectors already working together to redevelop Bolton Camp, the foundation is in place for a unique cultural attraction that honours the heritage aspects of the site.

About The Living City Foundation

The Living City Foundation serves as the fundraising and charitable arm of Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA). The Foundation exists to connect, engage and inspire people and organizations to donate and support TRCA’s Living City Vision where human settlement can flourish forever as part of nature’s beauty and diversity.

About the Toronto and Region Conservation Authority

Established in 1957, Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) has a unique and dynamic role as the conservation authority charged with the management of the natural and water resource of Canada’s largest urban centre. TRCA owns more than 40,000 acres of land in the Toronto region and with decades of practical experience protecting our environment, educating young people, and engaging communities, we work with governments, businesses and individuals to build a cleaner, healthier place to live.

About the Caledon Council Charity Golf Tournament

The Caledon Council Community Golf Tournament (CCCGT) is an annual charity event that raises funds for non-profit organizations either located in Caledon, or providing services in Caledon. For the period 2004 to 2016 the CCCGT has donated a total of \$885,035 to community organizations. In 2017, the event will be hosted at Osprey Valley Golf Course, on Wednesday, September 6. For more information, visit caledon.ca/golf.

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