


# Push for Change Hockey Challenge On in South Bruce

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## ***South Bruce OPP, Kincardine Fire Department & staff and students at K.D.S.S. to take part in charity hockey tournament***

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The South Bruce Push For Change Hockey Challenge is on.

The South Bruce OPP, Kincardine Fire Department and staff and students at Kincardine District Secondary School have all answered the call.

South Bruce OPP officer Dave Hackney says the three groups will be icing a team for a short round-robin tourney on Hockey Day in Canada, Saturday, February 18th.

The game will raise funds for two charities fighting youth homelessness--the YMCA Owen Sound Grey Bruce locally, and the Push for Change campaign nationally.



Push for Change is the brainchild of Joe Roberts, a former street youth turned successful entrepreneur who wants to end homelessness among young people.

Presently Roberts is pushing a shopping cart across Canada and is just over half-way through his trek, travelling West.

The cart has long been identified with those living on the streets.

Hackney says youth homelessness is what he calls a "hidden problem in Grey and Bruce Counties."

He says it's not as widely seen but as a police officer, he is well aware of the issue locally.

Hackney says South Bruce OPP, along with other OPP detachments in the province, are putting on the fun charity hockey games to help raise money towards the cause.

He says locally, three former NHL'ers will be taking part, captaining the 3 squads, looking for bragging rights.

Stanley Cup winners Greg de Vries and Boyd Devereaux will be joined by Memorial Cup winner and former Chicago Blackhawk Mark Bell.

Hackney says the three local squads will play each other in 20-minute games with winner take all.

He hopes the real winner will be the continuing fight against youth homelessness.

Tickets for the game are on sale now at \$5 each from the OPP, the fire department and KDSS.

Tickets will also be sold at the door.

The game will be played at the Davidson Centre beginning at 1pm on Saturday, February 18th, 2017.

Hackney says the game might be featured on Sportsnet, during Hockey Day in Canada.