

Nottawasaga OPP hit ice with students to end youth homelessness

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Nottawasaga OPP and Banting Memorial students Push for Change

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New Tecumseth Mayor Rick Milne helps out with the ceremonial faceoff before a friendly hockey game between Nottawasaga OPP officers and students from Banting Memorial High School. The game was played in support of the Push for Change campaign to end youth homelessness. March 8, 2017

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High school students and officers from the Nottawasaga OPP detachment in Alliston are hitting the ice to raise awareness about youth homelessness.

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Three friendly hockey games are being held as part of the OPP's community safety partnership with the Push for Change campaign, a movement created by Joe Roberts, who is pushing a shopping cart 9,000 kilometres across the country to end youth homelessness.

"These games are great ways to create relationships with the high school students in our in our detachment area," said OPP Const. Ross Davidson, who is organizing the games.

Game one with Banting Memorial's students takes place March 8 at 1 p.m. at the New Tecumseth Recreation Complex.

Game two with Nottawasaga Pines is March 9 at 1 p.m. at the Angus Arena, and the final game with St. Thomas Aquinas is March 24 at 1:15 p.m. at the Tottenham Community and Fitness Centre.

The public is encouraged to come watch the games and cheer on the players.

Officers will also be on hand to collect donations for local shelters and food banks.

Items that are needed include socks, underwear, towels, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant, razors, chocolate bars and non-perishable foods.

Donations are also being collected at each of the schools.

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