**Community Stories Committee**

 **Volunteer Application**

The Gordie Howe International Bridge team is recruiting volunteers to fill ten open positions on its Community Stories Committee, which will help with the delivery of a Community Benefits Plan initiative. The Windsor-Detroit Cross-River Tour will create an international walking/cycling tour highlighting the unique culture and history of Sandwich and Delray communities through interpretive signage to be placed along the pedestrian and cycling paths leading to the Ports of Entry in Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan. The Community Stories Committee will support the development of content for the interpretive signs.

The Community Stories Committee will consist of stakeholders that collectively represent the communities of Sandwich, Windsor-Essex County, Delray, the Greater Detroit Area, First Nations, and historical and cultural organizations/associations within the Windsor-Detroit region.

Members of the Community Stories Committee will serve a two-year term from fall 2022 through fall 2024 and participate in the following activities:

* participate in bi-monthly meetings
* correspond with the project team between meetings, as required
* review and comment on historical and cultural content being considered for inclusion in the Windsor-Detroit Cross-River Tour.

Meetings for the Community Stories Committee will be scheduled on a bi-monthly basis on Thursday afternoons in an online or hybrid (online/in-person) format. Cross-border travel may be required; volunteers must possess appropriate documentation. Group members will be responsible for their own travel to meetings, however, a travel allowance that compensates for tolling and mileage will be offered to Community Stories Committee members who attend in-person committee meetings.

Applications are due no later than **Thursday September 1, 2022, at noon** toinfo@wdbridge.com or by mail to WDBA, 100 Ouellette Avenue, Suite 400, Windsor, ON, N9A 6T3, “Attention: Manager Community Benefits”.

Contact Information:

**Name:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Organization/Title (if applicable):** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Telephone Number:** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Email Address:** Click or tap here to enter text.

Interest and Experience:

1. **I am interested in participating in the Community Stories Committee as (check all that apply):**

[ ] A resident of the Sandwich, Windsor Community (one position available)

[ ] A resident of Windsor-Essex County (one position available)

[ ] A resident of the Delray, Detroit Community (one positions available)

[ ] A resident of the Greater Detroit Area (one position available)

[ ] A representative of a cultural or historical organization/association within Windsor-Essex County (three positions available)

Organization/association name: Click or tap here to enter text.

[ ] A representative of a cultural or historical organization/association within the Greater Detroit Area (three positions available)

 Organization/association name: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Please note current or previous participation with activities related to the Gordie Howe International Bridge:**

[ ] Attended Public Open House/Public Meeting in Windsor or Detroit or virtually.

[ ] Participated as a member of a project focus group.

[ ] Subscribed to the Gordie Howe International Bridge project [Email List.](https://us11.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=f20eb0e4a143690702a3bd4f9&id=95998b9e57)

[ ] Follow(ed) the Gordie Howe International Bridge [Social Media Accounts](https://www.gordiehoweinternationalbridge.com/en/contact).

[ ] Other, please note: Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Demonstrate your familiarity with the Sandwich, Windsor and/or Delray, Detroit communities in the textbox below (up to 250 words):**

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Detail your current or past experience reviewing and/or curating cultural or historical information (up to 250 words):**

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Detail your current or past experience participating in community-based groups and any community affiliation(s) (up to 250 words):**

Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Are there potential conflicts of interest that could arise from participating as a member of the Community Stories Committee?**

[ ]  I am an employee of WDBA, Bridging North America (or affiliate companies), or a vendor/supplier to the Gordie Howe International Bridge.

[ ]  A member of my immediate family is an employee of WDBA, Bridging North America (or affiliate companies), or a vendor/supplier to the Gordie Howe International Bridge.

[ ]  Other (please specify): Click or tap here to enter text.

1. **Do you hold a valid passport or other document that allows for international travel and are you willing to travel to Windsor, Ontario and Detroit, Michigan to participate in Community Stories Committee meetings as required?**

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

1. **Do you anticipate that you will be available to participate in meetings on Thursday afternoons, on a bi-monthly frequency, between fall 2022 and fall 2024?**

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with the Gordie Howe International Bridge project. Only those selected to participate as a member of the Community Stories Committee will be contacted. It is anticipated that activities of this committee will begin in late September or early October 2022.