



PONT INTERNATIONAL GORDIE HOWE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

Good afternoon,

Here are a few things we wanted you to know about.

Community Benefits Local Community Group

WDBA and Bridging North America are launching a Local Community Group to assist in the delivery of the Gordie Howe International Bridge Community Benefits Plan. This group will be composed of stakeholders that collectively represent the communities of Detroit/Delray and Windsor/Sandwich, Windsor-Essex County and the Greater Detroit Area and will act as informal partners during the implementation of the initiatives identified in the Plan.

The Local Community Group will provide valuable input and formal linkages to the region that will enable the project team to understand the perspective of project stakeholders regarding the Community Benefits Plan. They will also assist with the review of community funding applications as part of the Community Organization Investment within the Neighbourhood Infrastructure Strategy and participate on subcommittees focused on topics such as community art or history.

The Local Community Group will meet quarterly with the first meeting to occur in fall 2019.

WDBA is accepting applications for volunteers to participate until **Wednesday, September 4, 2019**. Learn more [here](#).



Backpacks For Success

Over the month of July, WDBA and BNA employees partnered with United Way Centraide Windsor-Essex County to help support their annual Backpacks for Success Program. Special thanks to Monarch Basics in Windsor for offering matching donations to BridgingNA to help ensure local students are equipped with the supplies they need to be successful this September. We are proud to support our local students as they will be the next generation to work on and use the Gordie Howe International Bridge.

Trivia Tuesday

During August and September, we are introducing Trivia Tuesday - a fun way for you to learn some interesting facts about the Gordie Howe International Bridge project. On Tuesdays we will post a poll with a trivia question about the project on our [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) accounts. On Wednesdays, we will give you the answer. There are eight questions in total. We look forward to you following along and testing your knowledge about the project.

Celebrating 5 Years

On July 30, 2019, WDBA took a moment to stop and celebrate five years of operation. [Read more](#) in the feature spotlight story.



NEW Videos

Have you had a chance to take a look at some of our latest videos and learn more about how the Gordie Howe International Bridge is being constructed?

What's a soffit? Check out this short video and learn all what a soffit is and how we test it for the Gordie Howe International Bridge project [here](#).

Test shafts. What are they and why were they used? Check out our latest video to learn more [here](#).



Upcoming Office Closure

Just a reminder that our offices will be closed on Monday, August 5, 2019, as we observe a civic holiday in Canada. We will resume normal business operations Tuesday, August 6, 2019, at 8:30 a.m.

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