



PONT INTERNATIONAL GORDIE HOWE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE

Good morning,

We have a few project updates to share:

First Funding Released From Community Benefits Plan



COMMUNITY BENEFITS PLAN

The Gordie Howe International Bridge project team is excited to announce the first release of funding to four Community Benefits Plan initiatives totaling more than \$475,000 CDN. The funding will support two initiatives in Canada and two in the United States in the areas of aesthetics and landscaping, economic benefits and community partnerships.

In Canada, Life After Fifty received funding to launch the *West End Art Project*, a community art project, that will engage local youth and the surrounding community to celebrate the culture and heritage of Sandwich/West Windsor.

The City of Windsor also received funding to undertake an Environmental Assessment for the Ojibway Park Wildlife Eco-Passage. This part of a larger investment of seed funding to be released to the City should all approvals, permits and funds be secured.

In the US, the first of three years of funding has been provided to Southwest Detroit Business Association (SDBA) to launch *Bridge to Prosperity*, a new business development program that will provide planning and development support to Southwest Detroit small businesses and start-ups. The Bridge to Prosperity program is now [accepting clients](#) and offers drop-in office hours, one-on-one coaching and will host future workshops.

The Fort-Rouge Gateway (FRoG) Partnership also received funding for the creation of a sculpture within the new Fort Street Bridge Park. The park will connect residents with nature while highlighting the region's culture and history.

Read the [news release](#) and [learn more](#) about these initiatives. [Community Benefits Plan](#) initiatives will continue to be implemented with allocated funding between 2020-2025.

NEW - Community Newsletter

Momentum - the Gordie Howe International Bridge quarterly community newsletter is now available. Take a look to learn more about the latest progress being made on the project including:

- Road Bridge Demolition
- Pedestrian Bridge Design
- A Community Benefits Update
- Fun Activities for Kids

* available in English, French and Spanish



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Road Closures in Southwest Detroit

There are a number of temporary road closures in effect in southwest Detroit including:

- The right lane and right shoulder of I-75 northbound will be closed at the Springwells Street off-ramp, March 2 - 8, 2020, from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.
- The right lane and right shoulder of I-75 southbound will close at the Springwells Street off-ramp, March 2 - 8, 2020, from 5 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.
- The west parking lane at Clark Street between Porter Street and southbound I-75 Service Drive will close on March 6 and March 7, 2020, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.
- The left shoulder and left lane on northbound Dagoon Street will close at Fort Street on March 9, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- The right shoulder on westbound Fort Street will close at Dagoon Street on March 9, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- The left lane on eastbound and westbound Jefferson Avenue will close between Cavalry Street to Dearborn Street on March 9, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- The I-75 northbound exit ramp to Clark Street will be closed from February 27 to March 30, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.
- The left lane and middle lane on I-75 Service Drive northbound will close between the Clark Street exit ramp and the Clark Street on ramp at I-75 northbound from February 27 to March 30, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.
- The two right lanes on Clark Street northbound will close between Fort and northbound I-75 Service Drive from February 27 to March 30, 2020, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily.

Stay up-to-date on the latest road closures by visiting www.gordiehoweinternationalbridge.com/en/road-closures.

Thank you,

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