Bike Challenge is at 'the point of no return'

The Halton Hills Bike Challenge has flown past the point of no return on its Journey to the Moon.

Participants in the 2015 Halton Hills Community Bike Challenge have successfully logged more than 200,000 kms so far this summer— and the mid-Challenge sponsors have now made good on their pledges to the Georgetown Hospital Foundation.

Georgetown Canadian Tire is contributing \$20,000; Ollie's Cycle and Ski, \$1,000; Young Dentistry, \$1,000; and Betty D'Oliveira \$500 to Georgetown Hospital Foundation.

The Challenge was launched on April 11 and has attracted more than 750 participants of all ages and abilities. These cyclists have faithfully logged every kilometre onto a dedicated website www.halton-hillsbikechallenge.ca.

"We are thrilled to be receiving \$22,500 from local sponsors of the Bike Challenge. It is terrific to have this support from both sponsors and the cyclists," said Georgetown Hospital Foundation's Jennifer McNally.

Pledges have also been made by The Peter Gilgan Foundation/Mattamy Homes for \$25,000; PwC Epic Tour Halton, \$5,000; Georgetown Terminal Warehouse, \$5,000; Superior Glove, \$2,500; CPI \$2000; and HealthSpan Wellness, \$500 for a total of an additional \$40,000 at the completion of the Bike Challenge.

The Bike Challenge Committee is looking for more participants to sign up since the next 184,000 kms needs to be accomplished this cycling season.



Jane Fogal, chair of the Town Bicycle-Friendly Community Committee watches as Jennifer McNally of the Georgetown Hospital Foundation accepts a \$20,000 cheque from Tracey Craig of the Georgetown Canadian Tire. Canadian Tire-Georgetown pledged the money if Halton Hills residents reached the 200,000 km mid-point in the Halton Hills Bike Challenge.

Photo by Jon Borgstrom

New participants are allowed to add in all the kilometres they have cycled in 2015 meaning that it is never too late to join up and make a contribution to the cause. Anyone can participate and cycling does not need to take place in Halton Hills.

"The Bike Challenge is an easy and fun way for residents and families to contribute to our wonderful Georgetown Hospital by simply riding their bikes and logging the kilometres at www.haltonhillsbikechallenge.ca," said Councillor Jane Fogal, who also chairs the Town's Bicycle Friendly Community Committee.

Those interested in helping the community reach its goal should check out www.haltonhills-bikechallenge.ca and email hhcycling@haltonhills. ca for further information.

REACH for the Moon!

HALTON HILLS COMMUNITY

BIKE CHALLENGE

384,000km



202,167 km

6,469,351BURNT CALORIES (CAL)

46,498,463 SAVED CO2 (G)

748 PARTICIPANTS 25 DAYS LEFT

As of Aug. 26

Join us on our trip to the moon! \$62,500 will be donated to Georgetown Hospital Foundation when we record 384,000kms

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The Challenge is free. Put the wallet away and pledge with your legs!

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