

HELP DESIGN BLACK HERITAGE POLICE CRUISER

In honour of Black History Month, Halton police and its Black Internal Support Network are asking for the community's help in the design and creation of a Black Heritage Police Cruiser.

"Due to the pandemic, we are unfortunately unable to organize or participate in Black History Month events like we historically have," said Deputy Chief Roger Wilkie.

"This cruiser is a unique way for us to highlight our commitment to working with and learning more about our region's African and Caribbean community, not only during Black History Month, but year-round."

Wilkie said the initiative is in collaboration with and supported by:

- the African Caribbean Council of Halton

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- Halton Police Deputy Chief Roger Wilkie

- Black Mentorship Inc.
 - the Canadian Black Chamber of Commerce
 - the Canadian Caribbean Association of Halton
 - the Caribbean and African Coalition of Canada
 - the Halton Black History Awareness Society
 - the Halton Regional Police Association
 - I am. I can. I will.
- Halton police said they and these community part-

ners envision this dedicated police vehicle featuring key figures and imagery that celebrate the region's rich history of African and Caribbean culture.

"This wrapped vehicle will symbolize the service's commitment to, and solidarity with, the Black community," says Const. David Joseph, who proposed the design project in collaboration with members of the



Graham Paine/Metroland

In honour of Black History Month Halton police have invited residents to help design a Black Heritage Police Cruiser.

Halton Regional Police Service's Black Internal Support Network.

"Together with our community partners, we hope this project will help expand our collective awareness and appreciation of Black heritage in Halton."

All residents of Halton are encouraged to submit design proposals that high-

light the rich history of African and Caribbean culture in the Region of Halton.

From contributions to the Underground Railroad, to key figures and significant historical landmarks, the vehicle wrap could highlight a number of contributions from right here in this region.

Submissions will be accepted throughout Black History Month (February).

A selection committee comprised of the Halton police Black Internal Support Network and community partner representatives will select a winning design.

The individual who submits the winning design proposal will be awarded a one-time \$2,500 youth scholarship to be used personally or by someone of their designation for post-secondary education.

This one-time scholarship is proudly funded by the Halton police and the eight community partners listed above.

Visit haltonpolice.ca/blackheritagecruisercontest to learn more about the contest and submission criteria, and to submit your design.

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