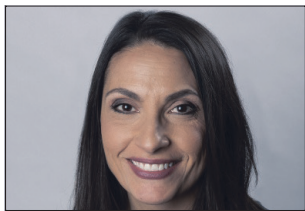


# HELP US END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

HOPE IN HIGH HEELS FUNDRAISER TO AID HALTON WOMEN'S PLACE, WRITES CARM BOZZO



CARM BOZZO  
Column

A woman is killed by her intimate partner every two-and-a-half days in Canada.

Here in Halton, intimate partner violence-related charges jumped by more than 140 per cent in January 2021, compared to early 2020, when the pandemic first struck.

This is why we want you to walk with us during the week of Sep. 19 to 25 in our Hope in High Heels from Home event.

This annual event is staying virtual for one more year. Hopefully, next year we can all gather together and walk down our Halton streets once again, showing support for ending violence against women.

This event, which started at Halton Women's Place (HWP) 11 years ago, was created as a men's-only walk in heels to encourage boys and men to stand up and support ending violence against women.

We know that we need boys and men to use their voices in advocating for the

end of violence against women, but also to advocate for change.

We are once again challenging everyone to walk for us in solidarity and support, to prevent and end gender-based violence. You can walk in whatever feels comfortable for you.

You can walk whenever you want during that week and we encourage you to send a picture or a video of you supporting the event.

There will be prizes for top fundraising adult (ages 19-plus) and top fundraising youth (up to 18 years old). Every \$100 you get in pledges gives you an extra ticket in this draw.

Your support will help us save lives. We rely on our community's generosity to help survivors access safe shelter, 24-hour crisis, information and support lines and HWP online chat, court support, community outreach programs and so much more.

We hope to see you out in pink, in heels or in whatever you are feeling that day in support of Halton Women's Place and the women and children who call our shelters home and who call on us for hope.

To register visit [halton-womensplace.com/events](http://halton-womensplace.com/events).

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## PROTECTION FOR INVESTORS

NEW REGULATIONS WILL ENSURE INVESTMENTS ARE SUITABLE, WRITES PETER WATSON



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Investors will benefit from changes that will be implemented at the end of this year.

The new regulations are meant to ensure that investment products being recommended to you are consistent with your investment objectives and risk profile.

In simple terms, should you be buying this investment?

The starting point is the "Know Your Client" document. The person giving investment advice must understand your personal and financial situation.

Your advisor must understand your risk toler-

ance. How much risk is within your comfort zone? What is your financial ability to sustain a loss?

Question. What happens if there is an inconsistency in the way that you answer investment risk questions and how your advisor understands your circumstances?

In that case your advisor must have a conversation with you to discuss any discrepancy. This is significant because sometimes a standard investment questionnaire does not accurately reflect your true situation.

This information must be updated by your advisor every 36 months in most circumstances.

The updating requirement is reduced to 12 months if there are any changes to your financial situation or if the advisor manages your investment account on a discretionary basis.

In my opinion, these additional regulations are a great benefit to investors.

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