# Were You Incarcerated in an Ontario Youth Justice Facility Between April 1, 2004 and December 17, 2018?

Were You Placed in Secure Isolation (Segregation)?

### You May Be Entitled to Money in a Class Action Settlement

You are entitled to make a claim for damages if all of the items on the following list apply to you:

- 1. You were placed alone in a designated room or area at any one of more of the following Youth Justice Facilities:
  - a. Bluewater Youth Centre;
  - b. Brookside Youth Centre;
  - c. Cecil Facer Youth Centre;
  - d. Donald Doucet Youth Centre;
  - e. Invictus Youth Centre;
  - f. Justice Ronald Lester Youth Centre;
  - g. Roy McMurtry Youth Centre;
  - h. Sprucedale Youth Centre; or
  - i. Toronto Youth Assessment Centre;
- 2. Your placement lasted at least 6 consecutive hours;
- 3. You were not released at the earliest possible time;
- 4. Your placement took place when you were 17 years old or younger; and
- 5. Your placement took place between April 1, 2004 and December 17, 2018.

You could be entitled to between \$1000 and \$40,000 per placement, depending on the length of time and the circumstances surrounding your placement.

Please note that the following placements are not included in this class action:

- 1. Segregation by reason of a lock-down at a Youth Justice Facility; and
- 2. The routine locking in your room overnight at a Youth Justice Facility.

To learn more about the settlement and how to make a claim, go to <a href="www.youthsegregationclassaction.ca">www.youthsegregationclassaction.ca</a>, call toll-free 1-833-430-7538 (TTY: 1-877-627-7027) or write to Epiq Class Action Services Canada Inc., Attention: Ontario Youth Segregation Class Action Administrator, PO Box 507 STN B, Ottawa ON K1P 5P6, or by email at: <a href="mailto:info@youthsegregationclassaction.ca">info@youthsegregationclassaction.ca</a>.

The lawyers representing the Class Members are Koskie Minsky LLP and Strosberg Sasso Sutts LLP. You may also contact these lawyers at 1-844-819-8501 or 1-866-229-5323, ext. 296.

You must submit your claim **no later than August 26, 2022.** If you do not submit your claim **before August 26, 2022,** you will lose your right to compensation.

### **■ NEWS**

# STOP SIGNS APPROVED FOR UNIQUE ACTON INTERSECTION

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An intersection in Acton where drivers currently have to yield will become an all-way stop early next year. Halton Hills council approved stop signs for the three-way corner of Maria Street and Poplar Avenue/Crescent Street during its Nov. 15 meeting. The new signage is slated for installation next March or April, once the ground defrosts for the season.

According to a report from the town's traffic coordinator Roumen Kotev, staff have heard safety concerns from residents regarding the intersection, which functions as the only access point to the neighbourhood at the end of Maria Street.

"The primary concern is with sightline deficiency due to the close proximity of the sharp curve at the west leg of the intersection," he noted in the report.

An operational safety review was conducted by town staff at the intersection that concluded the stop signs are warranted.

Similar reviews were also done at two locations in Georgetown — the corner of Argyll Road and Huffman Drive, along with Queen and McNabb streets — but based on the results, staff determined all-way stops aren't necessary in either place at the moment.

During the meeting, Coun. Clark Somerville said he's happy to see stop signs coming to the Acton intersection and asked how drivers will be notified of the change.

Kotev said large signage forewarning residents before they reach the intersection will be erected for 90 days when the new stop signs are put in place.

He added that hand-delivered letters will also be going out to residents on Poplar Avenue and Crescent Street.

Concerns about people not obeying the new stop signs were expressed by Coun. Mike Albano, who asked if there'll be a police presence in the neighbourhood. Town staff plan to conduct post-implementation studies at the intersection, said Kotev, noting that recommendations will be made after that if further involvement by police or the municipality is deemed necessary.

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