#### The Corporation of the Town of Ajax

#### COUNCIL

Monday September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. Council Chambers, Town Hall 65 Harwood Avenue South



#### **PRESENTATIONS**

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#### 4. Delegation and Presentations / Public Hearings

- 4.1 **Orange Day September 30, 2016** 
  - ~ Cecil Ramnauth, Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee Member
  - ~ Lencil James, Diversity and Community Engagement Advisory Committee Member
- 4.3 Healthy Kids Ajax!
  - ~ Kevin Smith, Active Living Supervisor
- 4.4 Pan Am Legacy
  - ~ David Meredith, Director of Operations & Environmental Services





Presented by:
Stephanie Hoskin & Lencil James
DACE Advisory Committee Members
September 19, 2016

# **Background**

- ❖ National Orange Shirt Day is a significant event which originated in Williams Lake, BC, Canada, in the spring of 2013
- ❖ It began however in 1973 with a young six year old, Phyllis Webstad who wore a shiny new orange shirt on her first day of school
- The school quickly stripped her of the new shirt and re dressed her with the school's institutional uniform

NB: New clothes were an anomaly for a First Nation child

## **Background**

- September 30 is therefore chosen as it is the time of year when the buses would enter communities to "collect" the children who became victims of harsh mental, physical, sexual abuse inclusive of shame and deprivation
- It was the moment when cultural assimilation would begin as the girls were taken away from home to learn a new way of life
- A researcher, Joseph (2015) stated that during the residential period, over 150, 000 children attended those schools, an estimated 4000 died and over 80,000 are still alive



### **PURPOSE**

- September 30 is a call to collectively honor and demonstrate a commitment that every child is important and their well-being matters
- It is a call for every Canadian to wear an orange Shirt in the spirit of healing and reconciliation

# THE REQUEST

A request is hereby submitted to the Council of Ajax to proclaim September 30 as Orange T Shirt Day in the Town of Ajax in solidarity with the aboriginal people and recognition of their importance and the continued call for truth, healing and peace





# RUN. JUMP. PLAY. EVERYDAY.



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Join the Healthy Kids Community Challenge and pledge to:



drinks.

Complete the pledge at healthykidsajax.ca. Instagram and Tweet your Healthy Kids Ajax photos! Share your family being active using #HealthyKirdsAjax.

two hours a day.

















- Over 7,000,000 steps!
- Over 4,000 pedometers distributed to schools/library

#### Take the challenge!

Sign up to walk all the way around the perimeter of Ajax — that's approximately 33 kilometers or 41,000 steps!

Log your milestones in your *Healthy Kids Walking Passport* to win prizes!

Moms, dads, kids! Walking at any age can improve overall health, help prevent illnesses like diabetes, improve your mood and brain function!





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**Community Outreach** 





## Theme 2: "Water Does Wonders"







## Theme 2 – "Water does Wonders" HEA



- Encourage kids and families to reach for water when thirsty
- Educate families about healthy drink habits and choices appealing wherever kids spend time.
- Create supportive environments to increase access to drinking water and to limit access to sugar-sweetened beverages



## **Action Plan Initiatives – draft**



30 day Challenge SSB free

Water Water fountains Tank w/bottle Trailer refill **Sports** Sugar team School Shocker Pledge **DCNP** Think Kits water student Tanks containers nutrition program **ASRTS** continuation Facility Nova's + water Promotion Ark Expand focus Tap into it!



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# THE LEGACY OF THE 2015 PAN AM GAMES IN AJAX

# 2015 PAN AM GAMES

- Ajax hosted baseball and softball in July 2015
- Infrastructure investment of \$9M
  - × Town investment of \$4M
- Upgraded baseball infrastructure
- × New artificial turf fields

# 2016 SUMMARY - BASEBALL

- Ajax ball park operating at close to 90%
  - + Men's and women's recreation league
  - + Ajax Spartans Minor Baseball
  - + Travel clubs (Yankees, Prospects, Mets)
- Expanding relationship with Toronto Blue Jays
  - Honda Blue Jays Super Camp
  - + Jays T12 final tryout camp
  - + Blue Jays Care Foundation expressing interest in hosting events in Ajax

# 2016 TOURNAMENTS/EVENTS

- OBA Bantam/Midget Showcase
- × Ajax Spartans Classic
- Honda Blue Jays Super Camp
- Jays T12 Final Tryout Camp
- Ajax Spartans Select Championships
- Greater Durham Special Olympics
- Provincial Midget Championships
- Roberto Alomar Classic
- University of Toronto Baseball Tournament
- National Collegiate Championship (Tentative)

# ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELD



## 2016 SUMMARY - ARTIFICIAL TURF FIELDS

- Turf fields operating at 60 70% Capacity
- AFC (2 nights)
- Durham Region Soccer Association (Fri, Sun)
- For 2017, we will look to other sports who have expressed interest (i.e. Lacrosse)