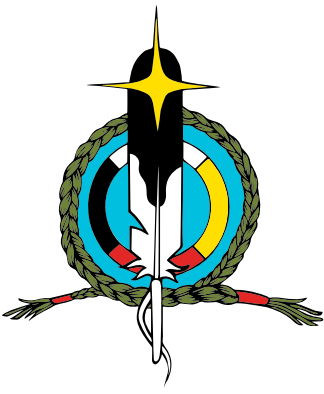




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Subject: Support for the Distillery Winter Village and Its Continued Impact

Dear Toronto and East York Community Council,

On behalf of the Anishnawbe Health Foundation (AHF), I am writing to express our strong support for the Distillery Winter Village. Over the past two years the Winter Village has played a significant role in our fundraising efforts directly benefiting the Indigenous community in Toronto.

Through the community spirit fostered by the Winter Village Anishnawbe Health Foundation has received a total of around \$30,000 in donations. This funding has been instrumental to advancing culturally safe healthcare and wellness programs for the urban Indigenous population, supporting initiatives that address serious health disparities and ensuring that traditional healing practices are available to the community.

Beyond financial support, the Winter Village has also provided a platform for raising awareness around the important work Anishnawbe Health Toronto does. The event has also played a key role in introducing our new location at 425 Cherry Street to the community, fostering a sense of belonging and increasing public awareness of our presence and mission.

By engaging with thousands of visitors each year the event has helped highlight the importance of Indigenous-led health care and the ongoing need for collaboration between our organization and local community partners like the Distillery.

The Winter Village generates critical support for our organization, we strongly encourage its continuation, and look forward to deepening our engagement in the years ahead.

Thank you for your consideration, and please do not hesitate to reach out should you require anything further.

Sincerely,
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