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The Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation Para-Cycling Program for Persons with Disabilities Ribbon Cutting Ceremony Thursday, August 11, 2016

Friday, August 5, 2016

For Immediate Release

WHAT: The Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation Para-Cycling Program
Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

WHEN: Thursday, August 11, 2016 at 6:00 pm

WHERE: Pier 8 (north parking lot on the east side of the HWT Centre & Sarcoa)
47 Discovery Drive, Hamilton, ON L8L 8K4

The Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation is excited to announce that para-cycling equipment is now available for use in the Hamilton Region at no cost to participants. Working with the Hamilton Waterfront Trust at Pier 8, in partnership with Parks & Recreation at the City of Hamilton, hand cycles and tandem cycles are now available and all ages and experience levels are welcome.

The Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation is committed to providing programs and equipment for persons with disabilities, to enable them to become more active and enjoy the benefits of regular physical activities.

Special thanks to the City of Hamilton for this partnership and special thanks to the Ontario Trillium Foundation for providing funding with one of its Seed grants, a grant worth \$75,000 over one year that was made in November to get this program into Hamilton, Brantford, Niagara, and Ottawa. We are pleased to be working together to benefit residents of the Hamilton Region.

The Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation supports persons with disabilities (PWD's) through sport and helps existing community sport and recreation facilities develop para-sport programs. Did you know that 20% of the total population is a member of the PWD community? Further information on the Shelley Gautier Para-Sport Foundation can be found at www.sgpsf.ca.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency of the Government of Ontario, and one of Canada's largest granting foundations. With a budget of over \$136 million, OTF awards grants to some 1,000 projects every year to build healthy and vibrant Ontario communities.

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Please join us on Thursday, August 11th, 2016 at 6:00 pm for the ribbon cutting ceremony at Pier 8 (north parking lot on the east side of the HWT Centre & Sarcoa). All are welcome to attend.

For any questions regarding the event, please contact *Julian Baird* (SGPSF Events & Marketing) at julian.baird@live.ca.