



**\*\*READY\*\* (to be released at 5am Monday June 15)**

## **Project Water**

### **Toronto Police Assisting With Water And Essentials Distribution To Homeless The Salvation Army, 150 Railside Road, Toronto 12pm Monday June 15, 2020**

**Broadcast time:** 05:00

Monday, June 15, 2020

13 Division

416-808-1300

Media is invited to a press conference for Project Water on Monday June 15, 2020 12pm at the Salvation Army The Salvation Army, 150 Railside Road, North York.

Our Toronto Police Service 13 Division Community Response Unit Officers and community partners are participating in "Project Water", an annual event that features partners Nestlé Waters Canada, The Salvation Army, Fortigo Freight Services, Toronto Police Service, and The Bargains Group distributing over 400,000 bottles of water and essential items to outreach providers and homeless shelters in an effort to provide life saving resources to the homeless.

Project Water is an Engage and Change program committed to helping those less fortunate endure the hardships of summer by providing such necessities for the needy as: bottled water, a re-usable water bottle, sunscreen, hat, toiletry and first aid items, etc. Since its inception in 2000, Project Water has placed in excess of 2 million bottles of water into the hands of Toronto and surrounding area homeless.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 mandates, a variant effort to the Engage and Change initiative will allow for the distribution of Nestle Water and a handful of personal hygiene items to agencies that service our homeless via The Salvation Army Railside, Hamilton and Ottawa depots.

This press conference will celebrate these efforts. 13 Division Community Response Unit Staff Sergeant Roger Desrochers will be available to speak with media on behalf of Toronto Police Service. Media can contact Constable Scott Mills at cell 647-449-2801 if further information is required.

For more information on the event visit the [Engage And Change website](#)

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Division Community Response Unit.