



**BURLINGTON ABLE SAIL**  
**Presentation to**  
**CITY OF BURLINGTON**  
**COMMITTEE**

**APPEAL TO FACILITATE THE OPENING OF  
THE LASALLE PARK COMMUNITY MARINA**



WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES IF IT DOES NOT HAPPEN?

BURLINGTON ABLE SAIL PROGRAM FOR 2022 WILL NOT RUN

60-70 PEOPLE, MANY OF WHO RESIDE IN COMMUNITY LIVING RESIDENCES WILL NOT HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GET BACK ON THE WATER AFTER 2 YEARS OF COVID RESTRICTIONS.

3-4 STUDENTS WHO THOUGHT THEY HAD A SUMMER JOB – WON'T HAVE ONE.

STUDENT VOLUNTEER HOURS NOT AVAILABLE THROUGH BURLINGTON ABLE SAIL.

# Mission and Goals

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- To provide access and opportunity to sail for individuals with physical and or cognitive disability, enhance their quality of life and reduce social isolation.



# BAS History

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- Started in 2001 with Burlington Sailing and Boating Club and LaSalle Park Marina members.
- Grown from 7 clients to over 90 in 20 years
- Support from the Trillium, Rotary, Corporate and Private Donations

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- To support and provide sailing opportunities for people living with a disability in Burlington and surrounding areas
- To promote the integration of clients with disabilities with able-bodied sailors
- To promote competition among participants to improve their sailing ability



# Client Base

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- Clients referred by Community Health Support Groups
- Community Living Housing Groups throughout the Region
- Individuals Seeking Community Activities
- Word of Mouth

# Source of Volunteers

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- BS&BC
- Marina
- General Public
- Retirees
- Service Clubs
- Family members of participating clients
- Students earning High School Volunteer credits
- Health Community Interns



# Experience Independence & Freedom !

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# Thank You !

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## Questions?