## Ontario Brain Injury Association: Unmasking Brain Injury

On June 1, 2018, over 20 communities across Ontario unveiled the Unmasking Brain Injury (UBI) Project in celebration of Brain Injury Awareness Month. In Ontario, OBIA had coordinated the launch of UBI to coincide with the start of Brain Injury Awareness Month (BIAM) June 1st, 2018.

DBIS clients were invited to participate in this project put on by OBIA. Our clients are very grateful to have had the

opportunity to participate in this project as well as have their artwork displayed across Ontario. For more information please see the <u>OBIA Events Calendar</u> on their website.

 Brain injuries are invisible disabilities. They are unseen, hidden and nonvisible to most of the population. So are the cognitive, emotional and psychological impacts which can be life altering.

- This project seeks to help create a further understanding of what it is like
  to live with a brain injury. Survivors have created these masks to symbolize
  their personal experiences, which in turn promotes awareness of the
  prevalence of brain injuries.
- This gives survivors a voice and the means to educate others of what it's like to live with a brain injury.
- Also, this shows others that people living with a disability due to their brain injury are like anyone else; deserving of dignity, respect, compassion and the opportunity to prove their value as citizens in their respective communities.
- Please see inside for more photos.



# 2018 Heads-Up Walk-A-Thon

At DBIS we are celebrating our 10<sup>th</sup> annual Heads-Up Walk-A-Thon. This year will be our first <u>virtual</u> event.

#### What does this mean?

- During the month of June we will be posting photos, videos and much more on our Facebook and Twitter accounts about our virtual tour and how <u>you</u> can get involved and get active!
- We encourage participants to share your steps online, post pictures of you walking and challenge others to participate too.



#### How can you get involved?

• Go online and ~like~ our <u>Facebook page</u> and ~follow us~ on Twitter @DaleServices-This will ensure you are able to follow our online activity and participate too!

### Pledge Forms

- Download the pledge form <u>HERE</u> and ask for friends and family to support your participation in the Walk-A-Thon
- Fill out the information requested and once pledges have been collected, submit the completed sheet with funds to DBIS
- <u>Canada Helps</u> also accepts and processes our online credit card donations

#### **Prizes**

 There are prizes for those that raise over \$50.00 in pledges. Please see the back of the pledge form for a complete list of exciting prizes!

We have some amazing news this year Canada helps will now facilitate team fundraising! To create your team please visit:

https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/dale-brain-injury-services-inc/p2p/Headsupwalkathon/

Thank you for continuing to support the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Heads-Up Walk-A-thon for Brain Injury Awareness. If you have any questions, please feel free to email <a href="mailto:cassiet@daleservices.on.ca">cassiet@daleservices.on.ca</a> or call 519-668-0023 ext. 119 and speak with Cassie Taylor.

### Capital Campaign

Dale Brain Injury Services has launched a Capital Campaign to raise funds for renovating and equipping a new program facility. Currently, DBIS' operations and programs are offered in several locations, and we will be consolidating four of them together.

By moving some of our programs and operations to one location, we will be able to serve a greater number of individuals and also be able to offer an increase in activity choices for our clients. Our Capital Campaign fundraising activities will include a wide range of opportunities for donors looking to support this initiative. We welcome every contribution and we will be sharing information with friends, families, and community partners over the coming weeks.

If you have any questions, or would like to get involved, please contact us for more information

### DBIS Client Masks (Continued from first page)











### Caregiver Support Groups

Dale Brain Injury Services is very excited to announce that a new set of Caregiver Support Groups will commence this fall. Below is a listing of the proposed dates. Please stay tuned for more details as these groups are finalized.

Group 1 – Grief & Loss	2 <sup>nd</sup> week of September to the 4 <sup>th</sup> week of November
Group 2 – Behaviour Change & Cognitive Strategies	1 <sup>st</sup> full week of January to the last week in February 2019
Group 3 – Growth Group	2 <sup>nd</sup> week in March to the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of May 2019



### WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

### Thank you to those that donated to DBIS initiatives from April 2017 - March 2018

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