



May 13, 2021

Rotary Club of Toronto West
c/o Brian Spencer, President
c.c. Stephen Thiele, Chair Community Heroes Awards

Dear Brian and Stephen:

I write to thank you and your Rotary Club colleagues for your ongoing support of Meagan's HUG.

It was a pleasure to see several familiar faces at the on-line Community Heroes Award Gala. This was my first virtual event- I so enjoyed the evening. And how pleased I was to see our Meagan's HUG Hero, Dr. Bouffet, honoured with your Rotary Club Hero, David Lockett, as well as Leanna Gill and Julie Rowe, the Toronto Police Services constables. I was proud and touched by their stories: they all give so generously of their talents and skills, and thereby make our community a better place.

Over the past several years, I have been touched by the kind actions of your club in welcoming Meagan's HUG, honouring our work. It is both gratifying and encouraging to have you and your colleagues embrace our organization and support its cause. In so many ways the missions of our respective organization align closely. We both strive to give support to those who struggle in their day to day lives, to help them feel help in the face of challenges.

Laura, Elizabeth, and Nancy have always reported back to me following meetings and in discussions, and all have said how much they enjoy working with you and the other Rotarians.

I can speak on their behalf and on behalf of Meagan's HUG in saying how much we appreciate your remarkable contributions to our community as a whole, and your generous spirit. We look forward to working together again, and hope that in the not-so-distant future, we will be able to meet once again.

With abundant thanks!

Denise Bebenek
Founder - Meagan's HUG