

# Truth and Reconciliation Brockton

January 25, 2023

Dear Mayor Peabody & Council,

As you may know, we are a group of citizens who have come together to plan a community event to commemorate the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in 2021 and 2022.

As a group we are slowly growing in number and have made a commitment to meet monthly to plan the 2023 National Day for Truth and Reconciliation event in Brockton, as well as host additional educational events and activities to raise awareness in the community, in the spirit of reconciliation.

We are writing to ask Council to consider waiving room rental fees for our group's use of the library gallery or hall for our monthly meetings and any community events we may host. While we have been very grateful to receive funding from Council and community groups to support our past events, our group does not have access to ongoing funds to support room rental fees and feel that the library is one of the most welcoming and accessible spaces to host meetings open to the community.

We would sincerely appreciate Council's support of our efforts by waiving rental fees and offering us in-kind meeting and event space at the library.

With thanks,

Truth and Reconciliation Brockton Volunteers

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