

# Community Urged To Join And Support 2018 Kidney Walk

TORONTO: It is time to gear up for this year's Kidney Walk!

The Kidney Walk is an annual event held by The Kidney Association of Canada, raising awareness and funds to support research and community programs for those suffering from renal impairment.

One of the activists, Artti Bhasin said: "Inspired by my father, Anil Bhasin, and his positive attitude and continuous domination over his kidney disorder, we founded Team Domination three years ago. Our mission is to support those who, like my father, continue to dominate the negatives in their lives. We are proud that Team Domination has raised

approximately \$12,000 since 2015.

This year Team Domination is back, and cannot succeed without community support! One in 10 Canadians are living with kidney disease, and the Kidney Association is hoping to raise \$7,500 to support these individuals and their families.

Today, Canada faces the challenge of an unprecedented growth in the number of people living with chronic kidney disease. By donating you will be supporting kidney research, education, programs and services that try to make life a little easier when it is needed most for those facing the challenges of kidney disorders.

The 2018 Kidney Walk will be held on Saturday September 22nd at High Park.

Artti Bhasin said: "My family and I are extremely grateful to have had the support and efforts of the millions of individuals who contribute to research and facilities.

"We are especially blessed for all of our family and friends who have stood by my father and have encouraged him over the years. I would love for you to join me in not only supporting research facilities who continue to assure my father receives the best care, but also treat millions of others who suffer from such disorders; it is time to spread the love!!



"Please share the link with all your friends as any and every donation will help make a difference to those in need! For my father, and many others, help us DOMINATE kidney disease!!

To make a donation, please visit: <http://kidney.akaraisin.com/ONWalks18/ArttiBhasin>

To register for the walk online, visit team page: <http://kidney.akaraisin.com/ONWalks18/TeamDomination> All donations are tax deductible; a tax receipt email will be sent shortly after.

There are two walk distances of 2 km and 5 km, and the event will begin at 10 am.

# Over 10,000 Expected For Parkinson Canada SuperWalk

MISSISSAUGA: Parkinson Canada, the definitive voice of the Parkinson community in Canada for over 50 years, has announced that the Parkinson Canada SuperWalk 2018 will take place from September 8th through 16th in communities across Canada.

Residents from Mississauga will join over 10,000 participants and 4,000 fundraising walkers, by coming together at the Living Arts Center on September 8th.

SuperWalk has raised over

\$37 million since the first walk took place in 1990, launched by 15 volunteers who marched up Bathurst Street in Toronto.

"Events like Parkinson SuperWalk enable us to deliver much needed services within the community and fund research into improved treatments and one day, a cure," says Jon Collins, Associate Director, Events and Partnerships. "And this event is very inspiring to those living with Parkinson's and their families, when

they see their friends and neighbours taking part in this special event, or supporting walkers with donations."

This year Elizabeth Tansley will take part in Parkinson SuperWalk. Elizabeth Tansley was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2004, and has been participating in SuperWalk for 8 years. She viewed SuperWalk as a great way to learn more about Parkinson's and to raise funds for a cure. "At first I went to SuperWalk because

I really wanted to find out more about Parkinson's. I met a lot of people that were so motivated to help fundraise for a cure, and it made me want to do the same", she says.

Tansley is one of the top fundraisers in Canada. Since her first year participating in SuperWalk, she has raised over \$32000 with the help of friends and family.

Parkinson's affects over 100,000 Canadians, a number expected to increase substantially

in the coming years, with 25 Canadians diagnosed each day. That means that every hour, of every day, another Canadian hears the words: "You have Parkinson's disease." For people newly diagnosed, Parkinson SuperWalk is a great opportunity to meet others living with the disease, their families, and begin to build a supportive network. Parkinson Canada has been able to invest more than \$27 million in 528 research projects throughout Canada.



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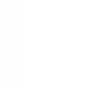
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