



VOLUNTEER BOND PROGRAM
GRAND VALLEY AND DISTRICT MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
2019 / 2020 SEASON



Purpose:

To encourage all Grand Valley and District Minor Hockey (GVDMH) Association members to become actively involved in the operation and success of our Association.

Overview:

GVDMH is run completely by volunteers. Many of our members are unaware of just how much volunteer work and fundraising is necessary to operate a quality hockey program.

Although not everyone has the hockey experience or skills to assist as an on-ice volunteer, there are many other roles that contribute greatly to the success of our association. Examples of these opportunities include fundraising initiatives such as our Halloween dance, Hockey Day in Grand Valley, Bottle Drives, Tournaments, helping with other community functions and events that GVDMH is involved in throughout the year. The volunteer bond program is in place to encourage our association members to step forward and get involved.

Value of Bond:

Every family with a registered player in GVDMH must provide a bond payment in the form of a **\$200.00** cheque at the time of registration in order for your child to participate in the 2019/2020 season. The cheque must be post-dated for April 1st , 2020. You are required to provide ONE cheque PER family (not per player).

Bond Commitment:

Volunteer commitment will be calculated based on a **10-point system** per family. Approximately **1 hour of volunteer time will equal 1 point**. Volunteers must be over the age of *14 years old* to participate in the completion of bond points. The list of volunteer opportunities below gives an example of the types of duties that will be available in the 2019-2020 year, although additional duties will become available throughout the year and will be posted on the GVDMH website and shared via email through team managers.

Approved Volunteer Roles/Opportunities:

- Member of the GVDMH Executive - 10 points
- Bench Staff (Head Coach, Assistant Coach, Trainer) - 10 points
- Team Manager - at the request of the Coach - 10 points
- On-ice volunteer - at the request & discretion of the head coach - 1 point/hour of help
- At-large bench staff (Coach, Trainer) - 1 point/game
- Fundraising Committee Member - 1 point/hour of help in coordination with Fundraiser Director

*** Individuals volunteering in the above roles must complete the required training and screening process as set out by the organization, including a vulnerable sector check, prior to participating in the role. ***

The following volunteer opportunities are awarded 1 point/hour of help.

- Tournaments - duties include set up, clean up, kitchen duty, organizing awards/raffles
- Bottle Drive fundraiser - door-to-door collecting bottles, sorting, returning to beer store
- Halloween Dance (or similar fundraising event for minor hockey)
- Hockey Day in Grand Valley - duties include set up, clean up, kitchen duty, organizing awards/raffles, clean up.
- Awards Banquet - duties include set up, clean up.
- GVDMH involved community functions throughout the year, such as Duck Race day September baseball tournament, or other group opportunities.

(These opportunities will be posted on the GVDMH website / facebook / twitter / Twister Board at the arena and via emails throughout the year).

If 10 points are not achieved and verified by the end of the season, your bond cheque will be cashed.

Opting Out:

Families choosing to opt out of the volunteer bond program may do so at the time of registration by submitting a cheque for \$200.00 with a current date and by checking the appropriate box on the volunteer bond policy agreement. This cheque will be cashed by GVDMH.

Process:

- Each family will be required to provide a post-dated cheque in the amount of \$200.00 payable to GVDMH dated April 1, 2020.
- Bond cheques are to be submitted at the time of registration no later than June 1st 2019.
- Cheques will be returned to those families who complete their bond by the end of the season. Volunteers who do not fulfill their total hours will have their cheques cashed. If a bond cheque is returned NSF, an additional administration fee of \$25.00 will be due. Players with a balance owing will not be permitted to register for the following season until the debt is cleared.
- Volunteer points/hours will be approved by GVDMH. Only designated Event coordinators, Team Managers, Coaches and Fundraising organizers will be eligible to sign off on volunteer hours worked. All of your volunteer points/hours must be recorded and signed off on your bond tracking form.

It is the family's responsibility to keep track of their hours and when their total points have been achieved submit their bond tracking form to their team manager. It is up to each family to ensure that they fulfill their volunteer obligation and to retain records of their approved hours by the end of the season.

