



Canadian Hard of Hearing Association
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Walk2Hear 2015 – Improving Public Accessibility

Hearing in venues such as restaurants, performing arts theatres and churches are a challenge for many hard of hearing persons. Few such venues have adequate sound and listening systems. The provision of speech-to-text or captions in public venues is virtually non-existent. But, it doesn't have to be this way!

Hard of hearing persons are taking up the challenge to improve accessibility in their communities. The Vancouver Branch of the Canadian Hard of Hearing Association is embarking on a campaign to improve the hearing accessibility of community venues. Further, it has declared that the theme of its **Fifth Annual Walk2Hear** will be *Improving Public Accessibility*. Details of the walk are:

Date: Sunday, September 27, 2015

Location: Jericho Beach Park, East End. The meeting place is between 2nd Ave. and Wallace Street.

Fundraising goal: \$10,000

Registration: Between 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM; Walk begins at 10:00 AM.

Note: Anyone of any age can register. Persons wanting to register or to sponsor a registered walker can just click on this link: [Vancouver Walk2Hear - September 27, 2015](#). As well volunteers are welcomed – just sent us an email.

CHHA Vancouver Branch is a consumer-based, non-profit, self-help organization working with hard of hearing consumers and their support networks to decrease isolation and remove barriers to hearing loss by providing: supportive environments, education, resources, referrals, and advocacy. CHHA works cooperatively with professionals, service providers and government bodies, and provides information about hard of hearing issues and solutions.

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