



BAY EXPO 2020 UPDATE: EVENT CANCELLED

In light of the recommendations about all members of the community working together to reduce the transmission risk of COVID-19, **the organizing committee for Bay Expo 2020 has decided to cancel Bay Expo, scheduled for May 9 this year.**

While May 9 is still nearly eight weeks away, it is impossible to know as of today how long public health recommendations for contact restrictions may last. And of course the work for a large event takes place over a long time in advance of the event. We cannot ask our volunteers, many of whom are in higher-risk groups, to carry out the work in the community necessary to put the Expo together, as that work would have to happen right now. Nor do we wish to have our volunteers inadvertently increasing the risk to other community members. Accordingly, we have chosen to cancel Bay Expo now, to protect our volunteers and other community members, and also to limit uncertainty and inconvenience to our participants and volunteers.

Although we are deeply disappointed not to be offering Bay Expo to our community this year, we feel **our first responsibility is to the ongoing health and safety of our community, including our exhibitors, volunteers and visitors.**

We are very grateful to the participating businesses, crafters and nonprofit groups in St. Margaret's Bay, and to the many Bay Expo volunteers and visitors, for your support of the event, which we have offered since 2014.

We look forward to returning with our best-ever Bay Expo in 2021. See you there!