



2008 SummerFest Facts and Stats

- The 26th annual HOPE Volleyball SummerFest takes place Saturday July 12th, 2008 at Mooney's Bay Beach, Ottawa, Ontario.
- The HOPE Volleyball SummerFest is the largest outdoor one-day beach volleyball tournament in the world.
- The HOPE Volleyball SummerFest is committed to raising money for local charities and has donated more than 3.2 million dollars to over 100 charities since its inception 26 years ago.
- 2008 Recipient Charities are: Canadian Diabetes Association—Ottawa & District Branch, Kidney Foundation of Canada—Eastern Ontario Branch, Ottawa-Carleton Association for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Ottawa Deaf Centre, Ottawa Food Bank, and the Royal Ottawa Foundation for Mental Health.
- The HOPE Volleyball SummerFest attracts 10,000 players who participate on 1,000 teams in 5 divisions that play on over 80 courts using 150 volleyballs - all in one day.
- Approximately 200 Corporate Teams will participate in the Ottawa Citizen Corporate Challenge Division.
- Over 120 youth, aged 13 – 18, will participate in HOPE Youth Division
- Approximately 200 Competitive Teams will participate in the Alcatel-Lucent Competitive Division.
- Over 1,000 Volunteers will be on site to make this event happen. To volunteer, register online at www.hopehelps.com or call the OnPath HOPE Hotline at 613.742.HOPE (4673).
- 20,000 spectators will come out for sun, fun, and non-stop live Canadian entertainment in the Rogers Amphitheatre from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.



- Team arrivals begin at 7:00 a.m. Competitive Division Play begins at 8:00 a.m. Recreational Division Play begins at 9:00 a.m.
- Over 70,000 cans of Coors Light will be served. Bar Service begins at 11:00 a.m.
- The A-Channel Vendor Village provide lots to see and do for spectators and participants and chances to win great prizes.
- The HOPE Volleyball SummerFest, with the help of Molson Canada, is helping to green the event by using biodegradable, compostable beer cups. Along with the established recycling and site maintenance program, this will help minimize waste.
- HOPE encourages participants to bicycle to the event, provides supervised parking in the onsite bike compound, as well as an OC Transpo shuttle bus service to the beach from Carleton University.
- Further information and details on the HOPE Volleyball SummerFest can be found at www.hopehelps.com, or by calling the OnPath HOPE Hotline 613.742.HOPE (4673).