

2026-2027

NPHA

PARENT MEETING

TO

**KICK OFF
THE SEASON!**



2026-2027 HIGHLIGHTS

NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY



Continued partnership with Xhockey, MEGA Goaltending, and Fortis to develop players and coaches to the best of their abilities.



New skating coach – Danny Heath

- Student Assistant Coach – Minnesota State University Men's D1
- Assistant Coach – Mankato West Hockey (Boys Varsity)
- 10+ years of youth coaching experience
- Owner of Project Hockey



Youth Buddy Program

A new program to help welcome and support our newest families, creating a stronger sense of community on and off the ice.



Logo & Jersey Design Contest

Big ideas make a bigger impact! We're inviting players, families, alumni, and the entire community to help design a new logo and/or jersey for New Prague Hockey.

LET'S CREATE THE NEXT ERA TOGETHER!



Bauer Equipment Donation

Bauer generously donated 12 sets of Quick Change goalie gear and 6 sets of regular goalie gear to support our goaltenders!



NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY

OUR MISSION

OUR MISSION IS TO CREATE A **POSITIVE AND COMPETITIVE HOCKEY CULTURE** THAT PEOPLE ARE PROUD TO BE PART OF — ONE BUILT ON ACCOUNTABILITY, DEVELOPMENT, HARD WORK, SUPPORT, COMMUNITY, AND A PLACE WHERE EVERY PLAYER FEELS **ACCEPTED AND VALUED.**



PEOPLE

BUILD COMMUNITY



DEVELOPMENT

GET BETTER



COMPETITION

PLAY THE RIGHT WAY



BELONG

EVERY PLAYER MATTERS

HIGHER STANDARDS. BRIGHTER TOMORROWS.

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JASON WITT
WITH ARENA BOARD



A MESSAGE FROM

FORTIS

JOSH

NP

NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY

LOGO & JERSEY DESIGN CONTEST

HELP DESIGN THE FUTURE
OF NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY



**BIG
IDEAS
MAKE A
BIGGER
IMPACT**



GET CREATIVE

Design a new
logo and/or jersey
for New Prague
Hockey.



OPEN TO EVERYONE

Players, families,
alumni, and community
members — all are
welcome to enter!



SUBMIT YOUR DESIGN

September 1 –
October 31



WINNER ANNOUNCED

February 1

The winning design(s)
will help shape the
future look of
New Prague Hockey!

**LET'S SEE WHAT
YOU CAN DO!**



**TRADITION
COMMUNITY
PRIDE
THE NEXT ERA
IS UP TO YOU.**



VISIT NEWPRAGUEHOCKEY.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION

**MORE
THAN
HOCKEY**

FAMILY BUDDY PROGRAM

SUPPORT • CONNECT • BELONG

STRONGER
PLAYERS
STRONGER
FAMILIES
A STRONGER
TROJAN
COMMUNITY



A STRONGER START TOGETHER

Starting a new hockey season can be exciting, but it can also feel like a lot—especially if you're new to hockey, new to New Prague Youth Hockey, or moving into a new competitive level.

There are schedules to figure out, tournaments, volunteer opportunities, association expectations, team communication, equipment questions, and probably a few things you don't even know you're supposed to ask about yet!



THAT'S WHERE THE FAMILY BUDDY PROGRAM COMES IN.



The Family Buddy Program is designed to make that transition a little easier by connecting new families with experienced hockey families who can share their knowledge, answer general questions, and help them feel welcome. Sometimes having another parent who has been through it before can make a huge difference.

HOW DOES IT WORK?



NEW FAMILIES

Families can choose to participate. They'll be paired with an experienced hockey family who can serve as a friendly point of contact throughout the season.



BUDDY FAMILIES

Experienced families volunteer to help. They can share their experiences, answer questions, and help new families understand things like schedules, tournaments, volunteering, and the general hockey culture.

Buddy families aren't expected to have all the answers. Their role is simply to be a resource and help new families know where to go when they have questions.



AT THE END OF THE DAY, THIS IS REALLY ABOUT COMMUNITY.

No family should feel like they have to figure out hockey on their own.



INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING?

Visit newpraguehockey.com under the "About" Section for details.

NPHA 2026-2027

SEASON AT A GLANCE

SEPTEMBER 19



DOŽÍNKY DAYS PARADE

SEPTEMBER 20



REGISTRATION CLOSES TO BE IN TRYOUTS

SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 18



PRESEASON TRAINING – MITES/8U

SEPTEMBER 26 & 27



UPPER LEVEL TRYOUTS

OCTOBER 3 & 4



UPPER LEVEL TRYOUTS

OCTOBER 24 & 25



MITE PLACEMENTS

OCTOBER 24 & 26



FUNDRAISER TURN IN

NOVEMBER 10



FUNDRAISER PICKUP

NOVEMBER 21 & 22



JUNIOR GOLD TRYOUTS

EARLY JANUARY (TBD)



TEAM PHOTOS

JANUARY 24



RAFFLE CALENDAR & PAYMENT TURN IN

MAY 22



END OF SEASON FUNDRAISER & GOLF TOURNAMENT



FUNDRAISING

SUPPORTING OUR PLAYERS. STRENGTHENING OUR FUTURE.



ONLINE PORTAL
AVAILABLE



OR USE THE
PAPER ORDER FORM
(IN PERSON)



ONLINE PORTAL
AVAILABLE



OR USE THE
PAPER ORDER FORM
(IN PERSON)



NO ONLINE PORTAL



ALL ORDERS DONE
WITH THE PAPER
ORDER FORM



ANY ORDERS MADE ON THE PAPER FORM WILL BE SUBMITTED INTO THE PORTAL BY YOU.

Heggies and MyFundraisingPlace offer online portals for each fundraising family. You can either have them directly enter their order or in person they can complete the order form.



ALL PAYMENTS ARE SUBMITTED TO YOU,

AS THE FUNDRAISER – YOU WILL PROVIDE ONE CHECK OR CASH
TO THE ASSOCIATION AT FUNDRAISER TURN IN.

VOLUNTEERING

STRONGER TOGETHER. A BETTER HOCKEY EXPERIENCE.

SAME
KIDS.
BIGGER
OPPORTUNITIES.



CONCESSION STAND TRAINING IS REQUIRED

With big changes in the concession stand, every family completing concession stand hours will be required to attend a concession stand training before their first shift.

A PREVIOUSLY ATTENDED SESSION WILL NOT COUNT.



22 HOURS

PER FAMILY

All families are required to complete 22 hours of DIBS hours.



11 HOURS

IN CONCESSIONS

Of the 22 hours, 11 hours must be completed in the concession stand.



JUNIOR GOLD FAMILIES

Junior Gold families are only asked to complete 11 hours – all of which must be in concessions.



EXEMPTIONS

Coaches, team managers, Coordinators, and Board members have waived hours for the season.

HIGHER
STANDARDS

THANK YOU
FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

RAFFLE CALENDARS

New Prague Hockey Association Annual Raffle

Prices awarded every day in February 2024
 Over \$12,000 in cash & prizes!
 Winners will be posted each Sunday in February on the NPJHA website
 (newpraguehockey.com)
 Drawing in February 1st, 2024 7:30 pm at Fliktide
 1 Play Prague, MN
 Winner does not need to be present to win.
 Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a ticket or win a prize.
 Winner is responsible for any applicable fees or taxes.

FEBRUARY 2024 N# 1681

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 \$1,000.00	2 \$500.00	3 \$300.00	4 \$300.00	5 \$300.00	6 \$300.00	7 \$300.00
8 \$1,000.00	9 \$300.00	10 \$200.00	11 \$200.00	12 \$300.00	13 \$500.00	14 \$500.00
15 \$1,000.00	16 \$300.00	17 \$200.00	18 \$300.00	19 \$500.00	20 \$300.00	21 \$400.00
22 \$200.00	23 \$200.00	24 \$300.00	25 \$300.00	26 \$1,000.00	27 \$200.00	28 \$200.00

\$20

Bonus Gift Card Drawings 10 520 Fliktide Gift Card

Name _____ Phone Number _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ N# 1681
 Email _____



**RETURNING MITE
AND UPPER LEVEL
FAMILIES**

**15 CALENDARS
PER FAMILY**



**JUNIOR GOLD
ONLY FAMILIES**

10 CALENDARS



**UPPER LEVEL
AND/OR MITE FAMILIES
WITH A JUNIOR GOLD
PLAYER**

25 CALENDARS



**NEW MITE/8U
FAMILIES**

5 CALENDARS

If your only player is a brand-new Mite or 8U skater, your requirement is reduced to just 5 calendars.



**TURN-IN DATE
JANUARY 24TH, 2027**



NEW THIS SEASON
 All payments for raffle calendars are due in check or cash at turn in.
NO CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS ALLOWED.

NEW PRAGUE BOYS HOCKEY

LEADERSHIP

TEAM
OVER
INDIVIDUAL

DEVELOP

COMPETE

LEAD

BELONG



LUKE WITT
HDC Lead



TROY PINT
Technology Lead &
Squirt Level Lead



BRAD BREEGGEMANN
Tournament &
Placement Lead



JAKE PIRKL
Bantam Level Lead



JEREMY DENZER
PeeWee Level Lead



JOHN BAUER
Mite Level Lead



TANNER SMITH
HDC Support



BEN WITT
HDC Support



COLTON BORWEGE
Mite Level Support



ELSA SHOREY
Mite Level Support



LUKE HENRY
Goalie Lead

HIGH SCHOOL COACHES



BRAD DRAZAN
Head Coach



COLTON BORWEGE
Varsity Assistant Coach



DARRIN SAWCHUK
Varsity Assistant Coach



RYAN DRAZAN
Head Coach JV



JOHN SCHMIDT
Assistant JV Coach



ERIC BREVER
Assistant JV Coach

HIGHER
STANDARDS

NEW PRAGUE GIRLS HOCKEY

LEADERSHIP

TEAM
OVER
INDIVIDUAL

DEVELOP

COMPETE

LEAD

BELONG



ELSA SHOREY

Girls HDC Lead



KATIE BROWN

12U Level Lead



JOSH RIFE

10U Level Lead



GRAHAM KUEHNER

8U Level Lead



MIKE BAILEY

Girls HDC



KRISTEN HENRY

Girls HDC,
Assistant Varsity
Coach (Forwards)



DAN GULLICKSON

Girls Head Coach



CATIE SKAJA

Assistant Varsity
Coach (Defense)



**ANDREW
KNOBEL-PIEHL**

Head JV Coach
(Goalies)



KENDRA COLLIER

Assistant JV Coach

HIGHER
STANDARDS

OUR CORE VALUES

Our mission and vision are guided by the following **core values**, which shape the decisions we make, the standards we uphold, and the culture we strive to create every day.



HARD WORK

We believe **effort, discipline, and commitment** are the foundation of growth and success.



DEVELOPMENT

We prioritize **long-term player and personal development** over short-term results.



COMMUNITY

We strive to build **strong relationships** and create a **positive environment** for players, families, coaches, and volunteers.



SUPPORT

We support our players and coaches by providing **encouragement, communication, and resources** to help them succeed.



ACCOUNTABILITY

We hold ourselves to higher standards on and off the ice through **respect, responsibility, and teamwork**.



BELONGING

Every player and family should feel **accepted, valued, and proud** to be part of our association.



FUN

We believe hockey should be **challenging, rewarding, and enjoyable** while creating lifelong memories and friendships.



HIGHER
STANDARDS
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MANAGER & COACH APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

Coaches and team managers are essential to our players, teams, and the success of our association. Apply today and be part of an incredible season!



HELP
DEVELOP
OUR PLAYERS



SUPPORT
OUR TEAMS



MAKE A
DIFFERENCE



BE PART OF
SOMETHING
BIGGER

APPLY TODAY!

COACH APPLICATIONS | TEAM MANAGER APPLICATIONS
NOW AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE.



QUESTIONS? REACH OUT TO YOUR HDC.



*SAME
GAME.
SAFER
TOMORROW.*

USA HOCKEY

SAFESPORT

RESPECT. PROTECT. EMPOWER.



USA Hockey is committed to creating a safe and positive environment for its participants' physical, emotional, and social development and ensuring that it promotes an environment free from abuse and misconduct.

USA HOCKEY HAS A ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY REGARDING ALL FORMS OF ABUSE AND/OR MISCONDUCT.

*IT'S
A SAFER
GAME
FOR ALL.*

**WHAT TOPICS
DOES THE
SAFESPORT
PROGRAM
ADDRESS?**



**SEXUAL
ABUSE**



**PHYSICAL
ABUSE**



**EMOTIONAL
ABUSE**



**BULLYING,
THREATS, AND
HARASSMENT**



HAZING



**LOCKER ROOM,
SOCIAL MEDIA,
AND TRAVEL
GUIDELINES**



***ALL PARENTS MUST BE CERTIFIED
TO BE LOCKER ROOM MONITORS.***

It is expected that dads volunteer for their boys teams and moms for their daughters teams.

*SAFE PEOPLE
STRONGER PLAYERS*



COMPLETE OR RENEW YOUR SAFESPORT CERTIFICATION TODAY. >

IT'S MORE THAN A REQUIREMENT.
IT'S OUR COMMITMENT.

NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LEAD | SUPPORT | DEVELOP | BELONG



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at Large



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Lead



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Director
of Concessions



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Gambling
Manager



TYLER SCHNEIDER
Assistant
Gambling Manager



BOARD MEETINGS

Board meetings are held the second Wednesday of every month.
All members are welcome to attend.

THE NEW PRAGUE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

The New Prague Hockey Association was established in November of 1973. The current directors are: President Dave Koch, Board Members include: Dr. Lee Mahowald, RoseAnne Schoenbauer, Jeffrey Bissel, Tom Preston. The purpose of the organization is to provide a hockey facility and instruction in the game for youth ages 6 thru 15 years in New Prague and surrounding area. In 1973 we had 56 children registered in our program playing an intermural schedule.

This year we have 87 children registered participating in four classifications. The youngest group being the Mites, our first and second graders; the Squirts, our third and fourth graders; the Peewees, our fifth, sixth and seventh graders, and the Bantams, our eighth and ninth grade boys. The Mite and Squirt divisions are playing an intermural schedule this year preparing for league competition next year. The Pee wee and the Bantam divisions are currently playing a twelve game schedule in the Minnesota Valley Hockey League. The members of the league include Chaska, Shakopee, Chamassan. We have Lake, Jonathan, Eden Prairie, and coaches working with the four

NEW PRAGUE ICE ARENA

OUR HISTORY

A COMMUNITY BUILT.

TOGETHER.

A VISION BUILT BY THE COMMUNITY

While hockey was played in New Prague as early as the 1920s, the first Trojan high school team was fielded in 1979. However, its home rink was in LeSueur — 20 miles away. That meant many early mornings and late nights for participants. Figure skaters traveled all around the South Metro and had no single home. That placed a strain on participants — especially youth programs.

By the early 1990s, because of an increasing limitation on available ice times out of town, the need for local ice reached a critical juncture. Driven by a shared commitment to our youth and local athletes, a group of dedicated volunteers formed a Task Force in early 1995 to turn the dream of a multi-purpose facility into a reality.



1973

New Prague Hockey Association was established.



1979

First Trojan high school team was fielded.



20 MILES

Our home rink was in LeSueur.



56

Children registered in our program in 1973.



343

Registered players in our program 2025-2026.

NEW PRAGUE ICE ARENA

A COMMUNITY RUN ARENA

NON-PROFIT. COMMUNITY DRIVEN. BUILT FOR TOMORROW.



NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

501(c)(3) organization
serving our community.



NO CITY OR SCHOOL FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We receive no city or school
financial support other than
rental fees.



RUN BY A VOLUNTEER BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Operated by a dedicated
group of community
volunteers.



MUST BALANCE OUR BUDGET

We must balance our
budget every year.



IMPROVEMENTS OVER THE YEARS



DRYLAND
FACILITY



HIGH SCHOOL
LOCKER ROOMS



BLEACHERS



NEW CONCRETE
FLOORS &
COOLING SYSTEM



NEW ZAMBONIS
(INCLUDING ICE
LEVELING SYSTEMS)



UPDATES TO
HVAC



RESIDED
THE BUILDING



OUTDOOR RINK
WITH WARMING
HOUSE



NEW CAMERA &
SOUND SYSTEMS



ADDITIONAL
LOCKER ROOM



COACHES ROOM



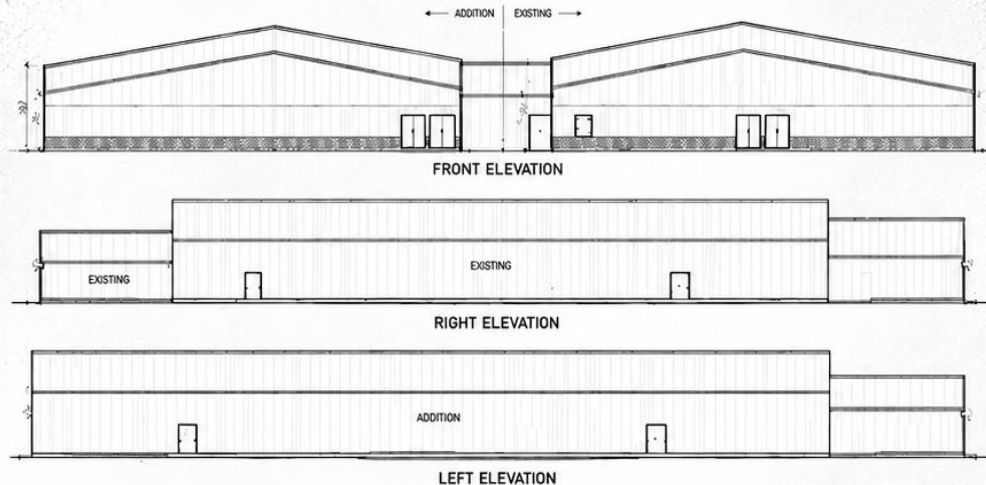
GENERAL
MAINTENANCE

PEOPLE. OPPORTUNITY. COMMUNITY. TROJANS.



NEW PRAGUE ICE ARENA **THE NEXT CHAPTER**

EXPAND TODAY. STRENGTHEN TOMORROW.



TOTAL PROJECT COST
\$5.9 MILLION
(FULL SECOND SHEET)



COMMUNITY GOAL
\$2 MILLION
THROUGH LOCAL SUPPORT



CURRENTLY RAISED
\$1.4 MILLION

With active community support,
another donor is willing to
contribute significantly once
the community reaches our goal.

WHY A SECOND SHEET?

MORE OPPORTUNITIES. STRONGER PROGRAMS. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.



MORE
ICE TIME



EXPAND
YOUTH PROGRAMS



HOST TOURNAMENTS
& EVENTS



SUPPORT
FAMILIES



ATTRACT
VISITORS



POSITIVE ECONOMIC
IMPACT



STRENGTHEN
OUR COMMUNITY



BUILD A
BRIGHTER FUTURE

PEOPLE. OPPORTUNITY. COMMUNITY. TROJANS.

SAME PASSION. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.



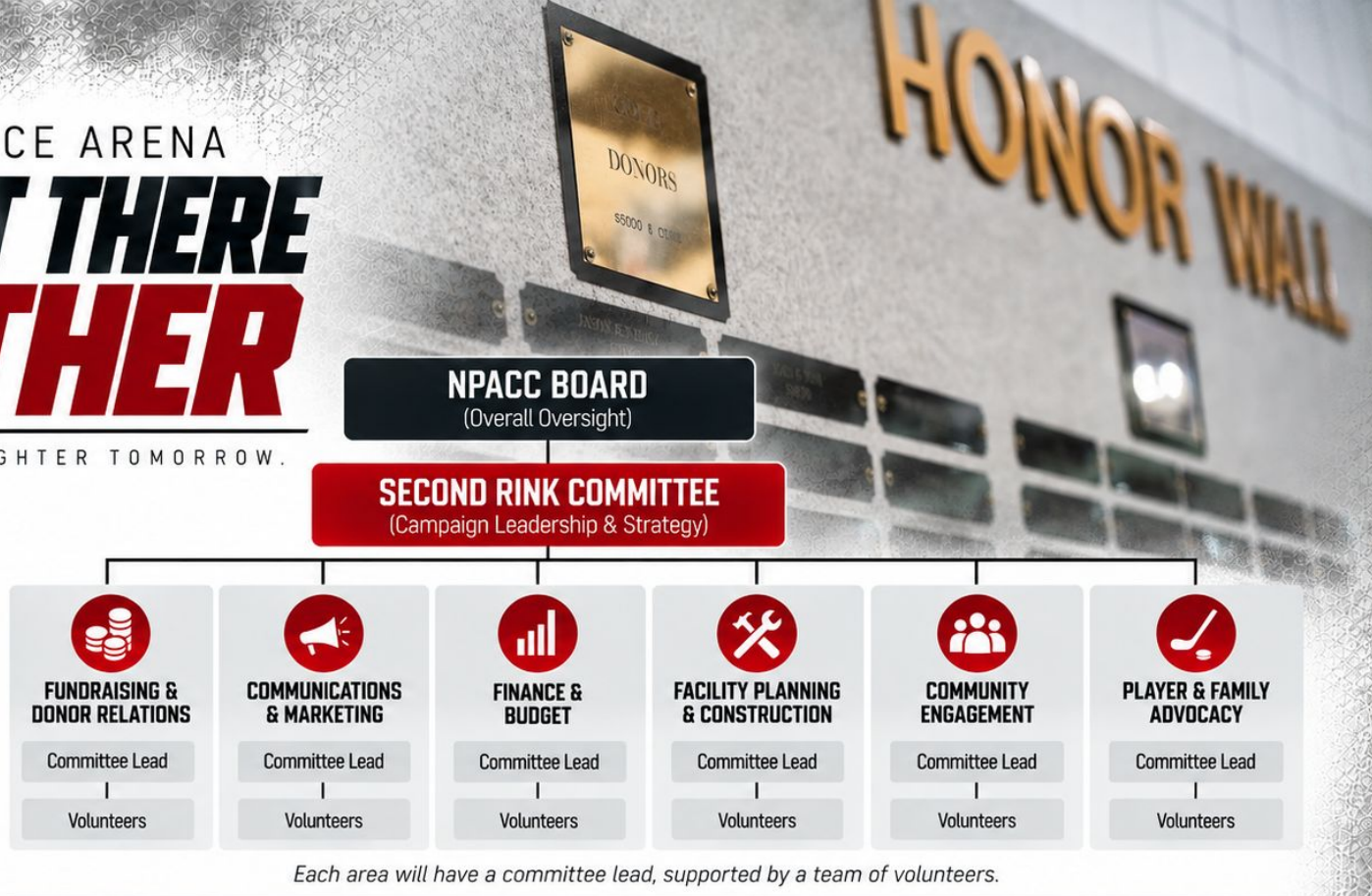
NEW PRAGUE ICE ARENA **LET'S GET THERE TOGETHER**

A STRONGER ARENA. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

A TEAM FOR TOMORROW

The NPACC Board has created a Second Rink Committee, made up of community members with a wide range of skills, experience and passion for our youth, our arena, and the future of New Prague Hockey.

This committee works alongside the NPACC Board to lead, plan and execute the campaign — ensuring we have the right people, the right strategy, and the strongest possible support to make this project a reality.



PEOPLE. PARTNERSHIPS. COMMUNITY. A SHARED VISION.

PEOPLE. OPPORTUNITY. COMMUNITY. TROJANS.

SAME PASSION. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

NEW PRAGUE ICE ARENA **HOW TO GET INVOLVED**

A STRONGER ARENA. A BRIGHTER TOMORROW.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO GET INVOLVED



JOIN THE VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY

We are looking for individuals with a variety of skills and interests to help move this project forward. From event support to outreach, there's a place for everyone.



SHARE A CONTACT

Know a business, foundation, or individual who may be interested in supporting the project? Send them our way! We're always looking to connect with potential partners.



MAKE A DONATION

You can support the campaign directly online. The full campaign is available on our website with giving options, sponsorship opportunities, and more information about the project.

VISIT
www.newpraguearena.com ➔



WANT TO GET INVOLVED OR HAVE QUESTIONS?

We'd love to hear from you!

Email us at
expansion@newpraguehockey.com

and a member of our team
will reach out.

