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**HALL OF FAME HEALTH, FUND RECOVERY, AND CARING WAYS TO HOST  
CHARITY WALK & TALK IN DETROIT ON MAY 12**

**DETROIT FOOTBALL LEGENDS CALVIN JOHNSON, BRAYLON EDWARDS,  
ANDRE RISON, AND ERIC HIPPLE WILL SPEAK ON MENTAL HEALTH PANEL**

**DETROIT—April 26, 2022—**Hall of Fame Health, Fund Recovery, and CaringWays will host their inaugural "Walk & Talk of Detroit" charity event and panel discussion, on Thursday, May 12 at The Eastern Detroit in Detroit, Michigan. Guests will enjoy an evening of food, drinks, and conversation from 6-10 PM. The evening will raise money for scholarships for the medical and behavioral health treatment of athletes and their families through Fund Recovery's Family Recovery Fund. An assortment of food and drink from some of Detroit's best restaurants, food trucks, local breweries, and more will be served throughout the evening. Following dinner, a panel of local Detroit legends **Calvin Johnson, Braylon Edwards, Andre Rison, and Eric Hipple** will lead and navigate the discussion on the importance of mental health treatment and solutions among athletes. Other former players that are scheduled to attend are **Tim Walton, Rob Sims, Lomas Brown, Eric Stocz, Jeff Chadwick, Maurice Harvey, Luis Sharpe, DeWayne White, and Willie Burton**. Former Detroit Red Wings star and four-time Stanley Cup champion Darren McCarty will also be on hand.

***Tickets and sponsorship packages start at \$250 and are available by emailing***

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"In partnership with the Pro Football Hall of Fame, we can provide help to former players and their families who can't afford treatment through the Family Recovery Fund, said Fund Recovery Executive Director Ryan Cain. "This Walk & Talk will not only serve as a gathering of the great fraternity that is Detroit football, but a chance to have an open and honest discussion about the challenges facing athletes today. What an absolute honor to have Calvin, Braylon, Andre, and Eric share their stories to the Fund Recovery supporters in attendance."

"We can't make real strides in changing the narrative surrounding mental health without being open to talking about its challenges, specifically in the athlete community," said Andre Rison, five-time Pro Bowler, Super Bowl Champion and Flint, Mich, native. "To have Detroit host an event like this is very special to me—together our community can directly impact lives while reducing the stigma of asking for help."

### **ABOUT FUND RECOVERY:**

Fund Recovery serves athletes, veterans, their families, and others seeking assistance for mental health or addiction issues. Fund Recovery fills the financial gap between the cost of receiving professional help and the ability for someone to pay. Funded entirely by donations from individuals and corporations, Fund Recovery has provided 587 grants and distributed over \$1,000,000 in scholarships, most recently receiving \$150,000 from Sana at Stowe, a Vermont-based treatment facility. Fund Recovery provides monetary aid for therapy, drug & alcohol treatment, and sober living for people seeking positive change. For more information or to apply for a grant, visit [fundrecovery.org](http://fundrecovery.org) or follow on Instagram, Twitter, or Facebook.

### **ABOUT HALL OF FAME HEALTH:**

Hall of Fame Health is an affiliate of the Pro Football Hall of Fame and was started at the behest of Hall of Famers to provide more resources to all former football players and their families, not just Hall of Famers. Hall of Fame Health provides a concierge service that can guide families to world-class doctors and other healthcare providers, can assist with understanding health benefits and selecting among insurance options, and can advocate for families who need expertise on their side as they navigate the complexities of providers, benefits, and coverage issues, etc. In addition, Hall of Fame Health has assembled a diverse group of premier clinicians and physician leaders on its Medical Advisory Board and a rapidly growing nationwide network of best-in-class health systems, medical groups, and behavioral health professionals who stand ready to provide a Hall of Fame experience for our football community, including mental health, addiction and substance abuse, and in times of true crisis. Additionally, Hall of Fame Health has established the Hall of Fame Family Recovery Fund in partnership with Fund Recovery to raise money and provide financial assistance to those in need. Beyond serving the community of former NFL players and families, Hall of Fame Health has extended its platform to select veteran organizations and college football alumni groups. For more information about Hall of Fame Health, visit [www.hofhealth.com/](http://www.hofhealth.com/).

**ABOUT CARINGWAYS:**

CaringWays is a fundraising platform to pay for medical-related expenses with ease and security. CaringWays was created by three founders who came together with the sole purpose of helping patients who are facing the financial pressures associated with a healthcare crisis. Each of them has been impacted by a life-changing healthcare journey, as either a patient, a spouse, or a child. The team believes that their combined life experiences, both personally and professionally, bring a unique perspective and passion to help patients and families avoid financial devastation in their time of greatest need. For more information, visit <https://caringways.com/>.

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