



Monthly Bulletin – April 2014

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Board Impact Forum

Are you one of the 1820 Board Directors in the Central Okanagan? Because of your influence people in our community are fed, clothed, housed. They connected with counselling, recreation, health, places of worship and so many other resources that strengthen them as individuals, families and us as a caring community.

Learn more about the impact you make. Meet other board directors and be entertained.

“The Influence and The Issues”

Moderated panel; entertainment; dessert and networking

Date: April 14, 2014, 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Place: Rotary Centre for the Arts, 421 Cawston Ave.

Registration: FREE, but important to help us plan the food

Moderator: Dr. Sharon McCoubrey – Faculty of Education, UBCO

Panel:

Cam Kourany – CBRE Canada

Ken Gauthier – Principal / Owner at Urban Systems

Laura Thurnheer – Professor, Okanagan School of Business at OC

Lynn Malinsky – Board Voice Society of BC

Alison Moscrop – Director for The Colin & Lois Pritchard Foundation



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Sponsored by Board Voice, Central Okanagan Foundation, City of Kelowna and KCR

-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, 2014 March

PREB Certification

Become certified to use the new Volunteer Canada volunteer experience recognition program.

The PREB website enables people who are managing volunteers to recognize volunteers by identifying skills and tasks accomplished. It helps you:



- Provide recognition to their volunteers by highlighting their skills and showcasing the tasks accomplished
- Help volunteers in their job searches by describing, in specific professional terms, their volunteer experiences to potential employers
- Draft job descriptions that are clear and well-constructed in order to increase the recruiting, managing and retaining of volunteers

Date: April 8, 2014, 12 noon – 1:00 pm

Place: KCR, 120 -1735 Dolphin Ave.

Facilitator: Dawn Wilkinson

Cost: FREE

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Bring your lunch & we will provide a sweet treat

-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, 2014 March

Less Effort with Better Results

In this participant-friendly, discussion-oriented workshop you will have an opportunity to learn about and apply, key evaluation concepts. Addressing these concepts in your proposals and plans should raise their chances of success.

- Use evaluation to help you, your programs and your stakeholders
- Overcome barriers to starting and using evaluation
- Articulate the need for your project, and the real difference it can make
- Outline how your project works to create and sustain change
- Access resources to continue learning
- Consider linking with others to form a “community of practice”

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 9:00 am – 12 noon

Location: KPMG, 3200 Richter Street, 2nd floor board room

Facilitators: Dr. Gene Krupa and Dr. Kate Woodman

Cost: \$25.00 / person

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-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, March 2014

Insurance Basics for Not for Profit Organizations

The purpose of this workshop is to familiarize participants with the exposures and risk management options, including insurance products that are relevant to non-profit organizations. We will discuss the following:

- Property Insurance for facilities and equipment
- Crime Coverage
- Abuse
- Directors and Officers Liability
- Employment Practices Liability
- Commercial General Liability
- Malpractice Liability
- Cyber Risk

Presented by Capri Insurance Services Ltd.

Date: Wednesday, May 14th, 2014

Time: 9:00am – 12 noon, continental breakfast

Place: KCR Training Room, 120-1735 Dolphin Ave.

Facilitator: Paula Garrecht, CIP, CAIB, Capri Insurance

Registration: FREE, but important to help us plan the food

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-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, March 2014

National Volunteer Week

Find out more about [Volunteer Canada's campaign](#) as well as what [KCR is offering](#):

- Volunteer Managers
- Board Directors and Executive Directors
- The Public

-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, March 2014

Employment Services – Information Sessions

The start date for the next [Urban Older Worker Program](#) will be Tuesday, April 22nd. This will be a 5 week in-class session for 10 Participants – followed by 6 weeks of work experience support.



Information Session dates for anyone interested in the program are as follows:

Tuesday – April 8th & 15th, 1:00pm – 2:30pm

Thursday – April 3rd, 10th, & 17th, 10:30am – 12:00pm

Please contact Luc at 250.763.8008 ext.22 or e-mail luc@kcr.ca for more information.

-Source: Luc Bergeron, Career Developer, KCR, March 2014

2014 Volunteer Income Tax Clinics

Do you have low-income clients who need their income taxes done?
[Click here](#) for the 2014 KCR Volunteer Income Tax Clinic List.

-Source: Dawn Anthony, Community Services, KCR, March 2014

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Aboriginal

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Is a Registered Charity Pressuring a First Nations Band a Political Activity?

Is an aboriginal band considered a level of government by CRA? Here is the response we recently received from CRA.

“We had some discussion regarding this question you sent a little while ago, and I have a response for you.

If a charity is pressuring a First Nations Band, the determination of whether the activity is political will depend on whether the Band falls under CPS-022’s meaning of a “level of government”. While the policy does not define “level of government” specifically, the definition of “elected representative” includes more than members of municipal, provincial, or federal governments (for example, it also would include members of a legislative body or a school board). Therefore, our general view is that use of the term “level of government” in CPS-022 should be read broadly, and would include First Nations Bands that have the power to make decisions typically reserved for a government.

We would add that, technically speaking, whether a Band is registered with the CRA as qualified donee that is a municipal or public body performing a function of government is not a deciding factor. However, if a Band is registered as performing a function of government, this is a strong indicator that it is a “level of government” for the purposes of CPS-022.”

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-Source: First Call: Mark Blumberg, Blumbergs’ Canadian Charity Law List, March 2014

Health Authorities Meeting

The Health Authorities’ Aboriginal Health Leads converged with representatives from the Ministry of Health’s Aboriginal Health Directorate and First Nations and Aboriginal organization partners in Vancouver in late February, 2014 to work together on collective issues to improve the health and wellbeing of First Nations and Aboriginal Peoples. The Aboriginal Health Leads meet quarterly with the Ministry of Health on collective issues. On February 27, 2014, they were joined by representatives from the First Nations Health Authority, First Nations Health Directors Association and the BC Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres.

One of the key highlights was a presentation by First Nations Health Authorities’ Mark Matthew on regional office planning and implementation and community engagement. Since the transfer of programs and services of the Health Canada First Nations and Inuit Health

Branch (BC Region) to the First Nations Health Authority last October, there has been a lot of progression at the regional level, expedited by the Regional partnership accords between regional health authorities and the First Nations Health Authorities' regional health caucuses.

One of the recent evolutions includes the First Nations Health Authority hiring five Regional Directors – Nicole Cross (North), Lisa Montgomery-Reid (Interior), Brennan MacDonald (Vancouver Island), Michael Sadler (Fraser-Salish), and Melanie Rivers (Vancouver Coastal). Both Brennan MacDonald and Melanie Rivers attended the 27th of February meeting with the Aboriginal Health leads. The First Nations Health Authority is also establishing regional teams and Regional Health Liaisons (formerly known as Community Engagement Teams), which will report directly to their respective Regional Directors. The Aboriginal Health Leads committed to meeting again in May, 2014. The Provincial Health Services Authority will be hosting the Leads, and there will be a specific focus on strategically maximizing the group's collective values, goals, and actions.

-Source: Aboriginal Health Directorate, 2014 Spring e-Newsletter

Joint Project Board

The BC First Nations and Ministry of Health Joint Project Board has been meeting monthly as an important mechanism to improve First Nations health and well-being through the elimination of policy barriers and improved access to health services and swift, sustainable investment in innovative practice.

This group is a senior bilateral table that is intended to provide timely progress and action in the implementation of strategic priorities under the Transformative Change Accord: First Nations Health Plan and the Tripartite First Nations Health Plan. One of the Joint Project Board's focuses is to improve access to primary care by First Nations people.

Currently, the Joint Project Board is working closely with regional health authorities and regional health caucuses to support health service improvements through investments in projects that may provide additional health care providers to previously underserved locations, and the introduction of new, innovative models of health service delivery. The Joint Project Board is also focused on setting targets on collaborative work that support improving health outcomes for First Nations and Aboriginal peoples. Part of this work includes collaborating on ways that ensure First Nations and Aboriginal health is embedded into the work of the Ministry of Health.

-Source: Aboriginal Health Directorate, 2014 Spring e-Newsletter

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- [NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR 2014 CHILD CARE AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE, DEADLINE APRIL 15](#)

Prime Minister's Volunteer Awards

Thank you for your interest in the Prime Minister's Volunteer Awards. The new call for nominations is now open. If you know an individual, a business or a forward-thinking not-for-profit organization that makes a difference in their community and deserves a Prime Minister's Volunteer Award, you can nominate them until May 9, 2014.



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-Source: Nonprofit Newswire by Imagine Canada, 18 March 2014

Donner Awards for Excellence Now Accepting Applications

The Donner Canadian Foundation Awards for Excellence is now accepting applications. The awards program provides nonprofit social service agencies with the tools to measure and monitor performance and encourages excellence and accountability. Every nonprofit agency that applies to the awards program receives a free confidential performance report, based on information provided by the applicant, which will measure the agency's performance and compare it to similar organizations. Award winners will share \$60,000 in prize money, with each of the seven award categories including a \$5,000 prize. Additionally, the \$20,000 William H. Donner Award for Excellence goes to the best overall performer and the \$5,000 Peter F. Drucker Award for Non-Profit Management goes to the nonprofit with a consistent record of excellence and innovation in management and service delivery. The deadline for applications is May 30, 2014 and all applications submitted by the deadline are entered in a \$1,000 cash draw. Applicants are assessed in 10 key areas including management and governance, the use of staff and volunteers, innovation, program cost and outcome monitoring. The annual Donner Canadian Foundation Awards for Excellence in the Delivery of Social Services are sponsored by the Donner Canadian Foundation and administered by the Fraser Institute.

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-Source: VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 28 March 2014

Georgian Bay Islands National Park Accepting Applications for Artists in Residence Program

Tom Thomson, the Group of Seven, Ed Bartram and Margarethe Vanderpas are just a few of the many Canadian artists who have been inspired by the lush hardwood forests and distinctly rugged Precambrian Shield of Georgian Bay. Today, Georgian Bay Islands National Park continues to connect artists with this incredible landscape, and is once again inviting artists to submit an application to become an artist in residence this summer. Up to six artists will be selected, and each will spend four days in one of the rustic waterfront cabins located on Beausoleil Island. Also included in the program is boat transportation to the island, use of a bicycle, and opportunities to meet and share artwork with the park visitors. The deadline for applications is April 17, 2014.

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-Source: VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 5 March 2014

Nominate an Amazing Youth or Youth Ally for the 2014 FBCYICN Achievement Awards

Application deadline: April 11th, 2014 at 4:30pm.

Do you know an incredible youth in or from care, alumni of care or adult ally? Well, nominate them for an FBCYICN Achievement Award already!

Each year, FBCYICN gives out four awards to young people and adults who have contributed to the lives of youth in and from government care in B.C. FBCYICN seeks to acknowledge the achievements of adult allies, alumni from care, and youth in and from care who work to improve themselves or their community. These awards will be given out at the next Steering Committee Meeting June 6-8, 2014.

To nominate an individual for an award, print and fill out an application found on our website [here](#).

You can submit it by fax, mail, in person or scanned and emailed.

Please contact Fed staff for more information at: 604.527.7762 or email: info@fbcyicn.ca

-Source: FBCYICN E-Newsletter, 20 March 2014

Nominations Open for 2014 Child Care Awards of Excellence, Deadline April 15

The 2014 Child Care Awards of Excellence recognize the exceptional service that child care providers, individuals, organizations and local governments provide to British Columbia's children and families. The BC Ministry of Children and Family Development will honour these individuals and organizations using four different categories: Provincial, Innovation, Local Government and Leadership.

Nominations for these awards will be accepted until Tuesday, April 15, 2014. For more information, [see the application and guidelines](#).

-Source: First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition, The Child and Youth Advocate Newsletter, 25 March 2014

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Assistant to Executive Director

Habitat for Humanity Kelowna (HFHK) Mission Statement: To mobilize volunteers and community partners in building affordable housing and promoting home ownership as a means to breaking the cycle of poverty.

The Executive Assistant participates in all aspects of HFHK operations as outlined in the duties and responsibilities.

Duties & Responsibilities

Together with the Executive Director

- Implement suggested public awareness and marketing opportunities to raise awareness and reach those who want to donate, volunteer and partner with Habitat for Humanity Kelowna (HFHK).
- Plan, coordinate and participate in community relations including but not limited to fund development, special events, public communications, community events and volunteer recruitment opportunities.
- Assist in seeking key benefactors for long term In-Kind partnerships and financial support.
- Maintain or create a process, including a databank, which would ensure consistent, timely follow-up with donors and volunteers.
- Contribute in the development of long-term, annual goals and objectives
- Perform administrative duties related to social media, e-newsletters, brochures and assist in preparing presentations for public speaking opportunities and board information.
- Research grant opportunities, process applications and follow-up reports, as required

Skills and Knowledge

- Education and/or experience in public relations, marketing, volunteer management, human services and fund development.
- Proven success in writing and obtaining grants.
- Knowledge of relevant computer software such as MS Office Suite, brochures/newsletter programs, mass email distribution websites and tools.
- Knowledge of social media including Facebook, Twitter and Pinterest.
- Strong research and evaluation skills.
- Strong organizational, time management and multi-tasking abilities.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills with an aptitude for dealing effectively with people at different organizational levels and varying abilities.

Working Conditions

May be exposed to a busy environment which could include loud noises, people of varying abilities visiting the office and frequent interruptions. May be required to work within deadlines, travel, and public speaking.

Hours of Work

35 hours per week, may require some weekends.

For more information:

Deborah Guthrie, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity, Kelowna at 778.755.4346, Cell: 250.300.0943, or www.habitatforhumanitykelowna.ca

-Source: Deborah Guthrie, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity, Kelowna, 27 March 2014

KCR Project Manager

Is project management your specialty? Do you have proven skills in curriculum development and facilitating learning? Are you energized by collaborating at the regional committee level?

Kelowna Community Resources (KCR) wants to hire an individual who demonstrates initiative in ensuring that projects are run efficiently, to the highest quality and within budget, achieving deliverables and reporting outcomes to funders in a timely manner. Projects entail chairing and managing expectations of community consultation committees comprised of non-profit organizations, government departments and business people. Workshop materials will be developed and promoted using all forms of media and facilitated for service providers and participants in the 55+ demographic.

The ideal candidate will have skill sets in the following areas:

- Project management
- Curriculum and tool kit development
- Research and writing abilities
- Facilitation skills
- Communication and active listening
- Computer skills: MS Office Package
- Promotion and marketing
- Chairing effective meetings and relationship building
- Knowledge and experience working with people who are 55 years of age and older
- Preference given to candidates with volunteer management knowledge and experience

This contract position will average 18.5 hours per week for 11 months, with a possibility of renewal beyond March 31, 2015. An hourly wage in the range of \$18 – \$20 is dependent upon skills and experience. The successful candidate will typically work in an office environment between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm on Monday through Friday. Our office location is 120-1735 Dolphin Avenue, Kelowna. Representing KCR may result in selectively working evenings or weekends and in a variety of public venues.

As a registered charity, KCR provides a variety of support to the Central Okanagan not-for-profit sector in the areas of community information and volunteerism through its Community Services Department. Professional development and learning opportunities are provided to service providers and members of the public. Publications and online database information are maintained to assist people in navigating services throughout our region.

Send your resume with references to Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, 120 -1735 Dolphin Avenue, Kelowna, BC V1Y 8A6 or email: dwilkinson@kcr.ca.

Application Deadline: April 14, 2014

-Source: Dawn Wilkinson, Community Services Manager, KCR, April 2014

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Facts & Trends

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Canadians Give but Don't Take [Advantage of the Tax] Credit

Canadians are generous people. The latest available statistics show that in 2010 some 84% of Canadians donated a total of \$10.6 billion to charities, an average of \$446 each. Their main motivations for giving are to help those in need, to support causes they believe in, and to contribute to their communities.

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-Source: *Imagine Canada, Imagine Matters, 25 March 2014*

Two in Five Canadians say their Employer does not Support an Active Lifestyle

According to the most recent global Workmonitor study by Randstad Canada, 40% of Canadians feel like their employer doesn't support a healthy lifestyle – and even more Canadians (56%) feel like their employer does not support a mentally fit lifestyle by, for example, providing a job coach or a mentor.

Virtually all Canadians (96%) say that having a good work-life balance is the number one priority for a healthy lifestyle, but having this balance may be far from reality for most. With work demands intensifying as employees try to advance their skills, in combination with increased demands while on the job, heading out to play basketball or run a few laps is becoming increasingly difficult for many workers. What organizations may not be considering is how a lack in physical and mental stimulation can affect the end product, as three in four Canadians say they perform better at work when they work-out or play sports regularly.

When it comes to staying mentally fit, employees would like to see more opportunities to speak to a mentor or a job coach, as only 43% of workers say these opportunities are available to them. When it comes to taking time away for personal reasons, more than three-quarters (79%) of Canadian employees say their employer is supportive – and if time-off is needed to take care of a family member, nearly as many (68%) say their employer would be supportive.

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-Source: *VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 26 March 2014*

Survey Finds 43% of Working Canadians Don't Take Their Annual Allotment of Vacation Time

According to a recent survey for TD Canada, 93% of Canadians working full-time consider vacation time important to keeping themselves happy. Additionally, 92% of Canadians working full-time believe that vacation is important time for reconnecting with family and friends. Yet four in ten (43%) working Canadians say they don't take their full allotment of vacation days each year. Reasons for not taking full vacation included being too busy at work (29%), facing unexpected last minute problems and challenges at work (25%), and feeling there is too much that has to be done before and after a trip to make it worthwhile (21%).

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–Source: *CharityVillage, Village Vibes, 18 March 2014*

US Study Shows Nonprofit Sector Plans to Increase Hiring in 2014

Nonprofit HR today announced the results of its seventh annual Nonprofit Employment Practices Survey, which this year indicates that the US nonprofit sector has seen a marked improvement in staffing levels since the recession. According to the survey, more organizations have expanded their staff in 2013, and fewer plan to eliminate positions in 2014 in comparison to 2009 survey results.

Opportunities for upward mobility and professional growth are available within the sector for individuals at all levels. Entry-level vacancies were most often filled by people just entering the workforce (52%) and by people from outside of the nonprofit sector (22%). Mid-level vacancies were most often filled by people from other nonprofit organizations (48%) and people promoted from within (37%). Experienced and senior/executive vacancies were reported as being most commonly filled by professionals from other nonprofit organizations (56% and 59%, respectively).

The issue of diversity is top-of-mind for many nonprofits, especially in light of recent national and global discussions regarding lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) human rights. Despite the importance and benefits of diversity to most nonprofits, less than half (36%) of survey respondents reported that they have a formal workforce diversity strategy, and 14 percent cited diversity as being the biggest employment challenge at their organizations. The greatest diversity challenges that organizations face include: retaining staff under 30 (32%), balancing ethnic/cultural diversity (26%), having the staff reflect the composition of the community served (22%) and balancing gender diversity (19%).

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–Source: *CharityVillage, Village Vibes, 10 March 2014*

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Vancouver Foundation's Neighbourhood Small Grants Program now Accepting Applications

The Vancouver Foundation's 2014 Neighbourhood Small Grants program is now accepting applications. The program supports residents who have small but powerful ideas to bring people together and make their community vibrant and engaged. Grants range from \$50 to \$1,000. There are two granting streams available – Neighbourhood Small Grants and Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grants.

Neighbourhood Small Grants funding is available in 10 communities across the Lower Mainland. The grants help residents by encouraging them to come up with their own ideas – workshops, book exchanges or block parties – to strengthen and build vital connections in their own community.

Greenest City Neighbourhood Small Grants are part of the Greenest City Fund, a Vancouver Foundation partnership with the City of Vancouver to make Vancouver the greenest city in the world by 2020. If you're a resident of Vancouver and have a project idea that has a green impact, apply for a Greenest City grant.

The deadline for both funding streams is April 7, 2014.

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-Source: CharityVillage, Village Vibes, 10 March 2014

Valley First Community Endowment

With the start of spring, brings the start of the Valley First Community Endowment grant cycle. We are actively inviting charities to apply that fit within this years funding focus, which is Families Children & Youth At Risk of Hunger. Some more detailed information on the funding focus is found below:

Applications for community projects supporting “families, youth and children at risk of hunger” will be considered using the following criteria:

- Preference is given to projects benefiting the communities in which Valley First operates. (Currently: Armstrong, Kamloops, Kelowna, Keremeos, Lumby, Oliver, Peachland, Penticton, Princeton, Summerland, Vernon, Westbank and Winfield.)

- It is preferred that the requesting organization should be contributing toward some of the project costs or should be raising funds from other sources, as the Foundation's role is one of partnership.
- Proposals should be for clearly presented, specific projects, with a direct impact on our chosen focus area.
- Types of projects that will be considered for funding include (but are not limited to):
 - Children's breakfast/lunch programs
 - Community kitchen programming
 - Food preparation education programs
 - Meals on wheels/ senior's or community lunch programs
- Projects should benefit many and offer equal access.
- Please note: funding will not be available to food banks as Valley First has the "Feed the Valley" campaign to raise funds for all the food banks in its communities.

If you feel that the Kelowna Community Resources Society may be a good fit for this years grant cycle, please contact myself for further information. Include a description of the organization and project you wish to have considered, in order for the First West Foundation to assess the request and send out an application.

KIM DAVIES, Foundation Coordinator: 604.539.5867 or Kim.Davies@FirstWestCU.ca.

-Source: First West Foundation, Kim Davies, Foundation Coordinator, March 2014

Canadian Subsidy Directory 2014

The Canadian Subsidy Directory 2014 is now available, newly revised it is the most complete and affordable reference for anyone looking for financing.

The Canadian Subsidy Directory identifies more than 3000 programs leading to financial help, government initiatives, financial incentives, subsidies, grants scholarships, bursaries, prizes & awards offered by the federal and provincial governments, associations, foundations & corporate funders.

For further information, please contact Mme Robillard toll free at: 1.866.322.3376.

-Source: Canadian Publications, 15 March 2014

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Fundraising Authority Newsletter

April Ballinger has started a discussion:
Fundraising Authority Newsletter

"I recently attended a free webinar for 'The Secrets to Fundraising Like the Big Boys' and was introduced to this newsletter. I think is a great place to start if you are interested in learning more about fundraising and cultivating relationships with your donors. Lots of good info! And of course, in everything I read, I naturally think about how it relates to my volunteer team!" – April



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-Source: LinkedIn Groups: Volunteer Match, March 2014

5 Simple Ways to Promote Planned Giving

When it comes to planned giving, you know more than you think you know. This message is especially important if you are a fundraiser who doesn't have a planned giving program but are wondering how to start one.

For example, everyone knows about wills. You know what retirement plans are and about life insurance. You know what banks do and the basic financial products they offer.

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-Source: Nonprofit Newswire by Imagine Canada, 27 March 2014

How to Demonstrate Transparency and Impact to Funders

According to the most recent Talking About Charities Survey, 95% of Canadians feel that it is important for charities to provide information about their impact, but only 36% believe that charities are doing so successfully!

But where should you start? As part of the Strengthening Organizations Webinars series, Imagine Canada's Cathy Barr and Karen Alebon recently presented on best practice in successfully demonstrating impact. These three key takeaways will help your organization become a leader in transparency and impact evaluation.

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-Source: Imagine Canada, Grantseeker Monthly, March 2014

Top 10 Tips for Inclusive Engagement

Broad—and deep—engagement with community members is a fundamental building block of a successful Heart & Soul Community Planning project. We've worked hard to advance authentic engagement because it makes all the difference to building stronger communities; it is a means to an end in our work, and it is also an end in itself for the trust it builds, the ideas it sparks, and the new connections it creates.

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-Source: Nonprofit Newswire by Imagine Canada, 13 March 2014

New Report Shows How to Encourage Repeat Donations

Software Advice recently conducted a survey study that shows the effectiveness of impact stories and direct mail for encouraging donors to give repeat gifts. The report surveyed 2,833 people who donate to nonprofits to find out what motivates them to give more than once. The resulting report explains the most effective ways to persuade people to donate again.



Key findings include:

- Sixty percent of donors want impact stories to see how their first donation is making a difference.
- A personalized letter is the preferred outreach method for 46% of donors.
- Thirty-five percent prefer nonprofits wait seven months before asking for another donation.

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-Source: VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 27 March 2014

New White Paper Shows Danger in Ignoring Mid-level Donors

Sea Change Strategies has released a new fundraising white paper available as a free download. [The Missing Middle: Neglecting Middle Donors Is Costing You Millions](#) was developed with the help of 27 participating organizations and experts and has detailed data from 10 organizations. The report breaks down the characteristics of successful mid-level programs, includes two full profiles of organizations who are doing it right, and also has a 30-day jumpstart plan to amp up your fundraising success.

-Source: *VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 26 March 2014*



Community Foundations of Canada Launches New, Year-Long Awareness Campaign

The foundation of my community starts with you – and me. That’s the simple, yet powerful, message at the heart of a new spoken-word style ‘anthem to community’ released today by the 191 community foundations across Canada as part of their first national awareness campaign through the Community Foundations of Canada. The campaign’s goal: to celebrate the way our communities shape who we are, and to recognize the role we have in giving back to those communities. The year-long awareness campaign, launching today, includes a series of print, broadcast and online messages, each featuring Canadians who embody the concept of Community Makes You. You Make Your Community. Every month more profiles of these exceptional Canadians will be added to the campaign’s website.



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-Source: *VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 5 March 2014*

Ten Key Steps to Creating an Extraordinary Event

Many charitable organizations host one or more fundraising events during the year. If your organization intends to do so, there are many things to keep in mind as you begin to plan. Here are ten things you can do to ensure your next event is a smashing success.

1. Decide if your event will be a fundraiser or a “friendraiser”. If you are going to go to all the trouble of bringing people together, you must be clear if your goal is to raise a substantial amount of money or if you are more interested in engaging new contacts who you may approach at some point in the future for a financial contribution. There is a big difference between the amount of



resources involved in hosting a fundraiser and a friend raiser so decide what your overall goal is before you go any further.

[Read More](#)

-Source: VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 9 March 2014

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Claim your free 3-day all access pass and get 150 free leads today. Call 866.872.8101. When you want the highest quality business and consumer sales leads, you need Salesgenie.

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- Canadian Consumers
 - Canadian Businesses
 - Canadian New Businesses

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-Source: InfoCanada, 27 March 2014

How to Move Your Nonprofit Board from Fundraising to Financing

Nonprofit boards of directors are notoriously fundraising averse.

There are often countless excuses nonprofit staff and their board members give about why some board members should be excused from fundraising. Some of the most popular excuses include:

- “We want client representation on our board, but our clients don't have money.”
- “Some board members aren't good at fundraising.”
- “We want board members with program expertise to focus on mission, not money.”
- “Some board members are uncomfortable with asking for money.”

Fundraising is hard, I get it.

But it is absolutely critical that the entire board of a nonprofit understand how fundamental money is to the work — without it, nothing else matters. And you simply cannot understand something that you only observe from afar.

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-Source: LinkedIn Group, Imagine Canada, 29 March 2014

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Highlights of Housing First Partners Conference

Christene Walsh extends an invitation to attend a brown-bag-lunch & learn on highlights from recently attending a Housing First Partners Conference.

Topics for this brief overview include Realities of 'Housing' First, Outreach & Engagement, Harm Reduction vs. Harm Acceptance, Hoarding, Interdisciplinary Team, & Inspiring Hope.

Date: April 17th; 11:30am – 1:00pm

Place: RDCO, Woodhaven Boardroom, 1450 K.L.O. Road

Presenter: Christene Walsh, Social Development Coordinator

Please RSVP to Christene.Walsh@cord.bc.ca as space is limited

-Source: RDCO, Christene Walsh, Social Development Coordinator, 28 March 2014

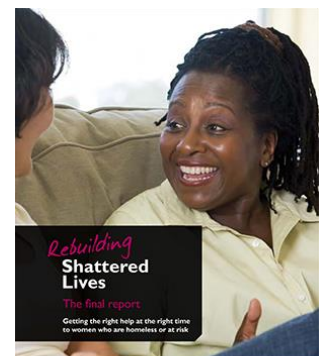
Rebuilding Shattered Lives: The Final Report. Getting the Right Help at the Right Time to Women Who Are Homeless or at Risk

Evidence from St Mungo's Rebuilding Shattered Lives report shows homeless women, among the most traumatised and marginalised people in society, are being failed at a local and national level.

Women who are homeless face exceptionally complicated and connected problems which make it challenging for them to move on with their lives.

The report highlights problems including separation from children, mental and physical ill health, prison sentences, drug and alcohol use and involvement in prostitution. These problems often stem from trauma following violence and abuse.

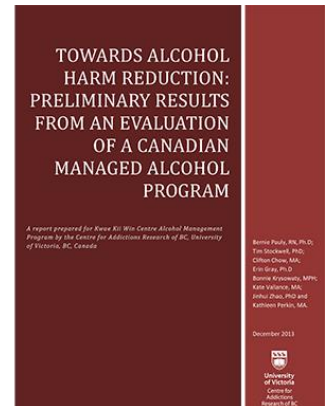
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-Source: Homeless Hub Newsletter, 6 March 2014

Towards Alcohol Harm Reduction: Preliminary Results from an Evaluation of a Canadian Managed Alcohol Program

This CARBC report presents an evaluation of a Managed Alcohol Program (MAP) currently being provided for homeless men and women in the Thunder Bay, Ontario region who have severe problems relating to alcohol use and homelessness. The aims of this research were to establish whether the MAP was contributing to (i) improvements in health and well-being of participants, (ii) reductions in their use of emergency, hospital and police services, and (iii) less hazardous patterns of alcohol use, including reduced use of non-beverage alcohol. The authors also aimed to inform the development of future program and policy recommendations. This was a pilot study for a national research program funded by the Canadian Institutes for Health Research for the evaluation of five MAPs in Ontario and British Columbia.



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-Source: Homeless Hub Report, 3 March 2014

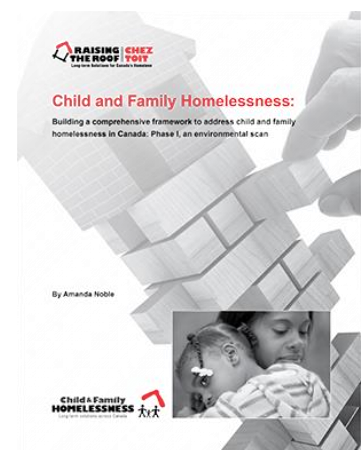
Building a Comprehensive Framework to Address Child and Family Homelessness in Canada: Environmental Scan

This report highlights many innovative and high quality initiatives across Canada and internationally that are working to improve the lives of families and children so that they may live free from poverty and homelessness. However, the report also illustrates that, for the most part, these initiatives operate in an independent and piecemeal fashion, just like the blocks in the broken Jenga tower.

In addition, the majority of these initiatives operate exclusively within the poverty and homelessness sector, despite the fact that social problems often result from the failure of, and structural barriers within many different sectors. Moreover, most service organizations have limited funds, are overburdened, and have neither the capacity to address the root causes of homelessness, nor the qualifications necessary to respond to the complex depth, breadth and continuum of needs of the families seeking their services.

If we wish to address family homelessness – effectively and for the long-term – we must bring all the government and system ‘pieces’ together to form a cohesive, coordinated and accessible response.

This is the only way we will succeed in building a society that supports families when they need it most, and ensures that children thrive into healthy, successful adults.



[Read More](#)

-Source: Homeless Hub Report, 20 March 2014

Parenting in the Face of Homelessness

The number of families with children experiencing homelessness increased by over 30% from 2007 to 2011 (U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2011). Of the more than 300,000 children within these families, it is estimated that the majority are under age six (National Center on Family Homelessness, 2009). These young children and their families are disproportionately more likely to experience a myriad of structural, economic, social, and health stressors. Left unaddressed, these stress experiences can adversely influence children's short- and long-term growth, development, and well-being (Shonkoff, 2011). Recent research demonstrates the protective influence that positive parent-child relationships can exert on children's development (Shonkoff, 2011). This chapter provides an overview of parenting within the context of homelessness, followed by practice and policy suggestions for promoting positive parent-child relationships among families experiencing homelessness.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Homeless Hub Report, 13 March 2014

Health and Homelessness: Understanding the Costs and Role of Primary Care Services for Homeless People

This report investigates what evidence exists surrounding the cost of use of healthcare services by homeless people and the cost benefit of health services for homeless people, and was commissioned by the Department of Health.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Homeless Hub Report, 20 March 2014



Kelowna Housing First Conference – Document Downloads

All of the presenter's Powerpoints and documents referenced at the Kelowna Housing First Conference have now been uploaded to KCR's website.

[View the Resources](#)

-Source: Community Services, KCR, March 2014

National Conference on Ending Homelessness – Call for Presentations

The Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness is seeking presenters for the [2014 National Conference on Ending Homelessness](#), to be held at the [Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre Hotel](#) in Vancouver BC, November 3 to 5, 2014.

The National Conference on Ending Homelessness is designed to support and accelerate the end of homelessness in Canada by giving community leaders, agencies, front line workers, researchers and policy makers the inspiration, information, tools and training they need to end homelessness.

We are building a dynamite program of leading Canadian and international experts. The conference will include several half day pre-conference sessions, four exciting keynote speakers and 40 concurrent sessions. Concurrent sessions are tentatively organized into five topic areas:

1. Leadership & Planning
2. Practice
3. Ending Youth Homelessness
4. Housing First Training & Technical Assistance
5. Homelessness Research & Policy

We are inviting proposal submissions on Homelessness Research, Leadership & Planning and Practice. The deadline for submission is April 25, 2014.

For the Homelessness Research call for presentations, [click here](#).

For the Leadership & Planning and Practice call for presentations, [click here](#). Conference presenters can register for the conference at a discounted rate of \$200 before August 29, 2014. After August 29, 2014 registration is \$250.

Presentations and keynote addresses from the 2013 National Conference on Ending Homelessness can be [viewed here](#).

Online registration for the conference will open in April. The full program will be released in May. For more information on the 2014 National Conference on Ending Homelessness [visit our conference website](#).

-Source: Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, Newsletter, 31 March 2014

Current Issues in Mental Health in Canada: Homelessness and Access to Housing (In Brief)

This paper was prepared by the Parliamentary Information and Research Service, which carries out research for and provides information and analysis to parliamentarians and Senate and House of Commons committees. It explores the complex relationship between mental health, homelessness and access to housing and the current situation in Canada. It concludes that the Housing First approach has demonstrated that individuals with mental health problems can remain in suitable housing if offered accompanying recovery-oriented supports.

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-Source: Homeless Hub Newsletter, 3 April 2014

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Integra Tire Kelowna – The Carma Project

Integra Tire Kelowna is back with their Carma Project.

The project's intention is to encourage members of the community to come together and help another member of the community get going by taking a used vehicle, fixing it up, and giving it to someone who's in need of getting around.

Carma Project will assist low-income families in obtaining a source of transportation. Be it a car or van, CarMa Project will obtain the vehicles, through donations and sometimes purchase. These vehicles will receive mechanical and repair work, to ensure a safe and reliable source of transportation for the recipient.

How the process works.

1. An individual needing a vehicle will have an [application](#) to fill out.
2. Send the completed application to CarMa Project.
3. The CarMa Project Committee will screen the application for eligibility.
4. A qualified applicant will be matched with an appropriate vehicle as soon as possible.
5. The vehicle will become the property of the applicant after payment of taxes, transfer fee, small administrative fee and license plates. The applicant assumes all responsibility for insurance and any other costs for the vehicle.

[Apply for the Carma Project](#)

Contact Penny at Integra Tire Kelowna for more information at penny@integratirekelowna.com or call 250.215.6189.

-Source: Penny Evans, Integra Tire Kelowna, April 2014

Spirits of Gold: Community Achievement Celebration

Date: Tuesday, April 15, 2014

Location: Rotary Centre for the Arts

Reception: 4:30pm

Award Ceremony: 6:00pm

Presented by KPMG

Tickets are complementary, [reserve your seats on Eventbrite](#)

For more information, please contact Jennifer Park 250.860.2356 ext 105

-Source: United Way, 25 March 2014



United Way
Central & South
Okanagan Similkameen

Ripple Effect – Ordinary People, Extraordinary Results

April 10 – September 27, 2014

Okanagan Heritage Museum, 470 Queensway
Avenue, Kelowna

Admission is by donation

Hours: Monday – Saturday 10:00am – 5:00pm
(closed on Sunday)



What does a former police officer, an ultra-marathoner, an overseas volunteer and an official ice swimmer have in common? They are all featured in the upcoming The Ripple Effect exhibit, at the Okanagan Heritage Museum. Through photographs, stories, videos and unique 3D installments, visitors will learn about the featured “Ripplers” and their passions, as well as advice on following in their footsteps. Avoiding hypothermia, how to become an international volunteer / successful fundraiser and what it is like to be a male diagnosed with breast cancer are some of the topics presented in the exhibit.

“We have Crystal cycling up a pile of books, George is floating in a hot air balloon and Paul is in a fridge”, says curatorial manager Patti Kilback. “As for Peter, we are really excited about incorporating him into elements from the popular Out of the Shadow, Into the Light breast cancer exhibit.”

Peter Platt is a former police officer from Ottawa. After being diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and breast cancer, Peter found part of his healing process was by helping others. He became an important advocate for both causes.

Paul Duffield's perseverance and success in the risky world of ice swimming pushes the limits of human endurance. The West Kelowna athlete is Canada's first recognized International Ice Swimmer.

Crystal Flaman from Kelowna is a record-setting athlete and fundraiser. She has personally raised more than \$1.4 for charity organizations such as Room To Read through running, cycling and swimming competitions.

George Harris from Winnipeg, Manitoba is a lifer in the world of volunteering. For over 46 years George has done professional volunteer placements in Africa (23 years) and in Winnipeg. At 70, he is still going strong with his community commitment.

This is Hanna's second exhibit with Kelowna Museums. Her first was the highly successful 2009 rock climbing exhibit, On Solid Ground.

-Source: Kelowna Museums Society, Christina Neale, 27 March 2014

Children and Youth Resource Fair

May 13, 2014, 3:00pm – 7:00pm
Trinity Baptist Church, 1905 Springfield Road, Kelowna

The Central Okanagan Children and Youth with Special Needs Committee is inviting you to a collaborative Resource Fair with partners CATCH, Success by 6 and Trinity Youth Ministry to share information about children & youth with special needs and early years services.

Exhibitor registration at www.catchcoalition.ca
For more information, please contact Julie Glover or 250.470.0876 or julie.a.glover@gov.bc.ca

-Source: Julie Glover, Team Leader, DMB – Adoption Team for the Okanagan Service Delivery Area, 28 March 2014

Okanagan Changemakers: April Meetup

Screening: A Film About Disrupting the Business Quo
On April 9 at 7:00 PM please join for a free screening of Not Business As Usual. This feature length documentary tracks the changing landscape of business with the rising tide of conscious capitalism and features the inspiring stories of several subversive entrepreneurs from Vancouver who are redefining what it means to be successful. [Check out the trailer.](#)



Come to watch, learn, teach, and converse. This event is open to social entrepreneurs, non-profits, charities, students, service providers and anyone interested in positive social impact.

Not Business As Usual is a provocative look at capitalism envisioned by the Nobel Prize winner Milton Friedman, the most influential economist of the late 20th century. The film explores why he only measures success by one metric: Profit. And how that narrow view has resulted in environmental destruction, human rights abuses and ironically enough, unsustainable business practices.

The meetup is on Wednesday, April 9th. The meetup will start at 7:00 PM at Third Space at 2-1708 Dolphin Ave. (Landmark Centre).

[Register Now](#)

-Source: Okanagan Changemakers, 27 March 2014

Spirit of the Island Dancers

An evening of fun, sharing, performances, refreshments and door prizes. Sponsored by Glean Okanagan, Voice of Diversity Magazine.

Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 5:00 pm
Evangel Churday, 3261 Gordon Drive, Kelowna
Tickets: \$25
Contact Susan at 250.878.4441 or glean@shaw.ca

-Source: Glean Okanagan, Susan Tonog, 26 March 2014

Ballet Kelowna's Last Performance of the Season

Have you seen our Ballet Kelowna dancers racing across town on city buses? Keep your eyes open for the beautifully designed ads on city transit buses. They are moving billboards about our [final performance of the spring](#) at the Kelowna Community Theatre on April 25. It will be [David LaHay's](#) last show as Founding Artistic Director and a very special night is being planned. More info to come!

-Source: Ballet Kelowna, 27 March 2014

Treasures from the Attic

Learn the value of your art, antiques, and collectibles from the professionals. Join Anthony Westbridge, of Westbridge Fine Arts in Vancouver, and local art and antiques appraiser, Peter Blundell, for Treasures from the Attic on Friday, April 11, and Saturday, April 12, 2014, from 10 am to 5 pm.

Fifteen-minute-long evaluation sessions will be held throughout the two days, from 10 am to 5 pm. Each session allows for viewing of up to three items with Peter Blundell, or up to three original works of art with Anthony Westbridge, depending on time. The cost for a session is \$40.00 for members of the Kelowna Art Gallery, and \$50.00 for non-members.

Partial proceeds from this event will support the Kelowna Art Gallery's educational programs and exhibitions.

To make an appointment, please call the Kelowna Art Gallery at 250.762.2226.

-Source: Kelowna art Gallery, Joshua Desnoyers, 25 March 2014

Focus Group: Learning about Family Connections to Services

CATCH (Community Action Toward Children's Health) is currently involved with a project called: Learning about Family Connections to Services. We seek participation of parents in a Focus Group Discussion (FGD) to help create the next stages of this community action research.

The overall goals of the project are to help community partners to:

- Create programs or services
- Align programs and services to needs
- Develop supports at a more universal (and societal) level

Phase 1 of the project has been completed. The purpose of Phase 1 of the project was to learn from approximately 20 agency representatives who are working with families. The goal of the FGD for Phase II (of about 10-15 participants) is to find appropriate and effective ways to learn from families themselves and how they feel they (should) connect (or not) with early childhood programs and services. The results of these discussions will prepare us with ideas about what questions to ask, how to ask them, whom we should ask, and who should ask them.

The FGD will be an open conversation with guiding questions. We anticipate that it will take about 2 hours. We hope that the following options may work for participants (between 7 and 9 PM):

1. Tuesday, April 8
2. Wednesday, April 9
3. Thursday, April 10

CATCH will provide a \$20 allowance for childcare expenses (if needed). A gift certificate will also be given as a token of appreciation. Snacks and drinks will be available during the focus group.

If you are an agency representative, we hope that you can help us with connecting to parents about this project.

If you are a parent and if you are interested in participating, contact Menno Salverda, menno.salverda@gmail.com.

-Source: CATCH, Myrna Kalmakoff, Community Coordinator

City of Kelowna: Civic Award Finalists

Council received a report from staff about the 39th Annual Civic and Community Award finalists. For a full list of the 17 categories and associated finalists, visit kelowna.ca/residents. Tickets for the awards night held on May 1 will go on sale March 17, 2014, and are available by phoning 250.469.8811.

-Source: City of Kelowna, News Releases, 17 March 2014



The Wizard of Oz

The Wizard Of Oz
(Prince Street Players' Version- 75 yrs since the Movie)
Studio9 Independent School of the Arts
Kelowna Rotary Centre for the Arts – Mary Irwin Theatre
May 28, 2014 at 12:45 PM
May 28, 2014 at 07:00 PM
May 29, 2014 at 12:45 PM
May 29, 2014 at 07:00 PM
May 30, 2014 at 07:00 PM

[Buy Tickets Online](#) -OR- Call 250.717.5304

-Source: Studio9, Michael Guzzi, 6 March 2014



Eco-Blast

Sign up for the Kelowna ECO-BLAST in July and the Kamloops ECO-BLAST in August! The [2nd annual ECO-BLAST Kids Camp & Concert](#) in Kelowna will be held July 14th-18th. Co-hosted by the Fresh Outlook Foundation and the Okanagan Boys & Girls Clubs, this highly acclaimed and hugely popular day camp connects children from 5-12 with nature through ecological song, dance, art and urban gardening. The cost per child is \$149 and includes all materials, snacks, and lunches.

-Source: Fresh Outlook Foundation, 11 March 2014



Symposium: Communities in Motion: Healthy Kids for Better Futures

Date: Monday, April 7, 2014, 1:00pm – 4:30pm
Strategic Networking for future action 4:30pm – 5:30pm

Location: Mary Irwin Theatre at the Rotary Centre for the Arts, 421 Cawston Avenue, Kelowna, BC

To attend in person, via webinar or teleconference

Register: <http://activekids.eventbrite.ca>



Institute for Healthy Living and
Chronic Disease Prevention
PARTNERS IN RESEARCH FOR BETTER HEALTH

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – Everyone is welcome! Community members, parents, health professionals, coaches, educators, students, community groups & planners, Parks and Recreation staff, and local government employees. For the full program agenda visit ihlcdp.ok.ubc.ca

-Source: CATCH Network Newsletter, 13 March 2014

Capital One Race for Kids

Come join the fun. Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs Capital One Race for Kids is just 68 Days away!!! WE want you to get your team together for the most fun-filled day of the year.

Are you are planning your next teambuilding event for your company? Consider this..... "My team had a blast and want to attend again next year. I think the Race is a great team building event for corporations. My group worked together to fundraiser prior to the event and then the Race itself was a great way for us to work together to solve problems, have fun and get to know each other better on a personal level. We

regularly do team building exercises and I do not think there has ever been one that is as much fun and also so effective in actually strengthening our team as the Race was. We will be promoting it more here at the Vernon Office next year and will try to get more teams involved." Quote from Kevin McCarty, Corporate Social Responsibility Coordinator from Kal Tire.



This event is intended for any adult...family, friends, colleagues, and companies interested in having some fun and making a difference to children, youth and families in our community. Join us for the most wild and wacky event of 2014! Visit www.raceforkids.ca to register your team.

Proceeds of this year's Capital One Race for Kids will support the following:

- Help us provide shelter for youth at risk and on living on the street
- Assistance with Anti-bullying movement and Safe Club Programs
- Sponsoring kid's overnight camp experience at Camp Arrowflight

[Register Now](#)

-Source: Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs, 21 March 2014

Capri Charity Golf Classic

August 20, 2014

Our Capri Charity Golf Classic is almost half filled with registered golfers. Don't miss out on your opportunity to play the best golf tournament in Kelowna.

Join us for a great day of fun! Contact Richelle at specialevents@boysandgirlsclubs.ca or 250.762.3989 ext 107 for your registration and sponsorship package.

-Source: Okanagan Boys and Girls Clubs, 21 March 2014

Elite Dance Program for September 2014

Studio9 Independent School of the Arts is expanding programming in September 2014 in partnership with the Canadian School of Ballet for those would want an expanded and enhanced dance program.



For some students, Dance is their lives and trying to balance school with dance practice, auditions and performance means long and tiring days for weeks on end, especially in performance seasons. So, we have come up with the Elite Dance Program, a partnership between Studio9 School of the Arts and The Canadian School of Ballet in Kelowna. Students can take their core academic subjects in the arts infused and project based learning system that is Studio9. Then for electives the other half of the day they can dance.....learn, practice, train, audition and perform dance at Canadian School of Ballet. The dance program can include much more than ballet or can focus on it.

This avoids early morning and evening dance practices etc., leaving more time for performance and family. As well you have the social atmosphere of a school of the arts at Studio9 and the arts based events/activities that come with that.

Those serious about their craft want to live and breath it. This allows that to happen. Just Dance!

The annual cost of the combined Studio9 and Canadian School of Ballet package is \$9,000.00 per school year. Now you see there is both personal, arts and monetary value in this program.

The program is dependant on minimum enrolment and there are also maximum class sizes. If you want more information call Mike Guzzi at 250-868-8816. You can sign register right now Online if you want and mention in the online application form that you want the Elite Dance Program.

[Sign-Up Today](#)

-Source: Studio 9, 16 March 2014

Women's Mental Health

Please 'save the date' for our May 8th, 'Mental Health Week' community event from 11:00-3:00pm. Acknowledging this is RDCO Parks 40th Anniversary, we are hosting our May 8th Mental Health Week Event at a local Regional Park ~ Mission Creek Regional Park, EECO Centre.

For the last two years Mental Health Week has been celebrated with a Community Open House and Networking event, organized in partnership with the Regional District of Central Okanagan, Canadian Mental Health Association and Interior Health.

For 2014, we are amending our format to help meet this year's theme of "Women's Mental Health". Therefore, this is our inaugural event with a 'speaker & interactive focus' with emphasis on SELF-CARE (for service providers & the general public, appealing to the 'women's theme' but also applicable to males). More information to follow.

-Source: RDCO, Christene Walsh, Social Development Coordinator, 28 March 2014

Inn From The Cold's Video

[View this local video on homelessness](#) in support of Inn From The Cold's Annual 'Push to End Homelessness' event created by students from Okanagan College. It looks good!

-Source: RDCO, Christene Walsh, Social Development Coordinator, 28 March 2014

Kelowna Closet Cleanout

Kelowna's First Ladies Fashion Flea Market will be held April 26th, 2014. 10:00am – 3:00pm at the Sunplex at 1155 Ellis Street.

Over 70 tables with gently used ladies clothing, shoes, and accessories will be available for sale! Grab something new to you and save money! Help support Kelowna Women's Shelter and Soles4Souls.

\$5 entry (kids under 12 are free!)

*This is a cash only event

Door prizes and the first 200 people will receive a gift bag!

SHOP:

- Find new to you treasures!
- Save money!
- Find unique products!
- Be entered to win door prizes!

SELL:

- Reserve a table!
- Clear out those closets!

- Make some extra money!

Details at www.kelownaclosetcleanout.com to book a table! [Facebook@closetcleanout!](https://www.facebook.com/closetcleanout/)

-Source: Okanagan Young Professionals Collective, 24 March 2014

Law Day

April 12th from 10:00am – 2:00pm at the Kelowna Courthouse

It is that time of year again where we are organizing this year's Law Day festivities. We are now organizations events and scheduling time and space for everyone interested in participating.

If you are interested, contact Maria Bishop, Regional Coordinator, Justice Education Society, #204-1355 Water Street, Kelowna, BC V1Y 9R3, 250.470.6965, Maria.Bishop@gov.bc.ca, www.JusticeEducation.ca.

-Source: Kelowna Bar Association, Laura J. Myles, President, 19 February 2014

Trinity Care Community Service Days

Clothes Closet

Free, good quality used clothing for single moms and senior ladies in need

Friday, May 2nd, 8:30am – 12:30pm

Saturday, May 3rd, 8:00am – 11:00am

Car Care

Car care for single moms and senior ladies in need

Free oil change and safety inspection

Saturday, May 3rd, 8:30am/9:30am/10:30am

Register in person, starting April 7th at Trinity Church, 1905 Springfield Road

-Source: Jennifer Woods, Administrative Assistant, Care & Cause Ministries, Trinity Church, 17 March 2014

Cool Arts Society – Blow it out Art Sale

As many of you may know, we at Cool Arts; Board of Directors, President, Past President, Executive Director, and Volunteers; many of us are also local practicing artists.

In addition to weekend programming, we are hosting the BLOW IT OUT ART SALE, Saturday at 555 Fuller Avenue from 11-3.

We've cleaned out our studios and we're selling our work at 50-90% below value.

Original art makes great birthday, wedding or Mother's Day gifts.

20% of all sales goes to Cool Arts Society.

-Source: Rena Warren, Executive Director, Cool Arts Society, 3 April 2014

Free Income Tax Preparation for Older Adults

Starting Monday, March 3rd and finishing Monday, April 28th (excluding Stat Holidays)

Mondays & Fridays, 1:00pm — 3:30pm

Drop in only, no appointments

Seniors Outreach & Resource Centre, 102 – 2055 Benvoulin Court

Please read the following criteria:

- Returns only for 2013 tax year
- For individuals 55 years and over
- Income less than \$30,000 for single & \$40,000 for couple
- Couples must come together please
- Volunteers cannot file taxes for deceased persons, individuals who file for bankruptcy, self-employed individuals, individuals who report capital gains or losses, individuals who report employment expenses, or who report business or rental income and expenses

[View a list of the 2014 Volunteer Income Tax Clinics for Kelowna](#)

-Source: Kathryn McLean, Housing Outreach Social Worker, & Coordinator of Volunteer Programs, 2 April 2014

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Imagine Canada Issue Alert: Relief on Postage Rate Increases

Last week, Canada Post announced a suite of relief measures in response to widespread concern over recently announced postage rate hikes, which are to take effect on March 31, 2014. The measures, which include two temporary postage discounts and two permanent changes to minimum volume thresholds, will be particularly beneficial for smaller charities that are disproportionately affected by the rate increases.

Since the original price hikes were announced, Imagine Canada has been in contact with senior officials at Canada Post to explain our concerns about the impact of postage rate increases on the sector. We are pleased that the new measures respond in part to the issues we raised. In particular, we identified that high minimum volume thresholds prevent many charities from accessing the most cost-effective Canada Post products. The new minimum volume thresholds are a first step in the right direction.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Imagine Canada Issue Alert, 28 March 2014

Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation in Force This July – Will you be Ready?

The government announced before the start of the New Year that Canada's Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL) will come into effect on July 1, 2014. As such, charities and nonprofits will have just a few months to comply before the implementation date. Below is a summary of items to review that will assist organizations in preparing for CASL.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Nonprofit Newswire by Imagine Canada, 25 March 2014

What Will Happen on October 17, 2014?

As some people know October 17, 2014 is the deadline set for Canada Corporations Act (CCA) non-profit corporations to move over to the new CNCA or face potential dissolution. It will be 3 years from the date the CNCA came into force. Industry Canada has announced that they will start sending out notices after the October 17, 2014 deadline.

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-Source: Mark Blumberg, *Blumbergs' Canadian Charity Law List*, March 2014

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Your Core Resource for all Things Sector Related

Understanding and navigating charitable sector issues and impact can be a challenge. Knowing how to frame and discuss them with others is even more challenging! That's why, through the Narrative, we created a Core Resource as a foundational reference point to help charities like yours have better conversations with Canadians – or discussions within your own organization! Check out the [Narrative Tool Kit](#) to download the Core Resource and other useful tools. If you have already used tools from the Narrative in your work [send us a quick email](#), we'd love to hear about it!

-Source: *Imagine Canada, Imagine Matters, 18 March 2014*



Public Interest Registry to Release .NGO and .ONG web Domains this Summer

You know those three little letters to right of the dot in a domain name – like .org, .com, and .net? Well, something new and exciting is coming to the internet this year; in Summer 2014, Public Interest Registry will launch .ngo and .ong domains for global NGOs! “NGO” is the widely recognized acronym for describing non-governmental organizations; “ONG” has the same meaning, but it is specifically used in regions of the world that speak Romantic Languages (i.e. Spanish, French, Italian and Portuguese). The Public Interest Registry has announced a list of [eligibility requirements](#) for interested organizations, as well as a [how-to guide](#) explaining the application process.

-Source: *VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 17 March 2014*

Big Idea: The Way We Think about Charity is Dead Wrong

TED Talks opens in Vancouver this week and they are all about Big Ideas!

In this TED Talk video, Dan Pallotta turns our thinking about charity assessment, fundraising and 'admin costs' on its head. Dan Pallotta is best known for creating the multi-day charitable event industry with the long-distance Breast Cancer 3-Day walks, AIDS Rides bicycle journeys, and Out of the Darkness suicide prevention night walks.



[He is well worth watching.](#)

-Source: Board Voice Society of BC, Donna Francis, Administrative Coordinator, 26 March 2014

Survive to Thrive Guide

The "From Survive to Thrive" Guide is written by individuals with firsthand experience of struggling with an eating disorder or body image and eating.

[Download your copy](#)

-Source: Kelty Newsletter, March 2014

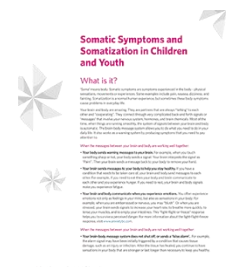


Somatic Symptoms and Somatization in Children and Youth

This resource provides an overview of somatic symptoms and somatization disorders in children and youth.

[Download your copy](#)

-Source: Kelty Newsletter, March 2014



Healthy Living, Healthy Minds: A Toolkit for Health Professionals (Second Edition)

This toolkit provides information and resources for health professionals across BC to discuss healthy living.

[Download your copy](#)

-Source: Kelty Newsletter, March 2014



Resources that Support Healthy Eating

There are many resources that are available that can help support healthy eating:



- Dietitian Services at HealthLink BC: From Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. you can speak to a registered dietitian by calling 8-1-1 toll-free throughout the province. Translation services are also available in over 130 languages
- Healthy Eating for Seniors handbook: This handbook is full of useful information about your nutrition needs as you age as well as delicious and healthy recipes for you to try. To order your free copy, please call 8-1-1. You may also download a copy of the handbook from the [SeniorsBC website](#)
- Informed Dining: The Informed Dining program is a voluntary nutrition information program for restaurants in British Columbia. Participating restaurants provide their guests with detailed nutrition information with a focus on calorie and sodium. To find out which restaurants are participating and to learn more, visit [Informed Dining](#)
- Canada's Food Guide: To learn more about healthy eating you may wish to get a free copy of the Canada Food Guide. The guide is available for order or to [print online](#) or via phone: 1.800.926.9105

The saying “you are what you eat” really is true. Even small changes can make a big difference. Switching your morning croissant for a fruit smoothie can give you the energy and nutrition you need to start your day off right. This March, try out some delicious new recipes from the Healthy Eating for Seniors handbook and learn how eating healthy can keep you living actively and independently longer.

For more information please visit [Healthy Families BC online](#).

-Source: SeniorsBC.ca e-Newsletter Volume 5 Issue 3, 17 March 2014

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Check Out This Conference Series – Highly Recommended!

As winter winds down (hopefully) and the polar vortex fades away (hopefully), it's almost time for the start of another season of the Social Media for Nonprofits conference series.

Each year we make a big deal out of these events, and there's a good reason: They just make sense.

One day dedicated to helping you learn practical, real-life strategies for making social media work for your organization, located conveniently in your own community. These conferences are designed to help you leverage social media for your volunteering program, fundraising and general outreach.



VolunteerMatch is a global partner of the Social Media for Nonprofits series – because we think this is the premier conference series dedicated to social media for social good. Each event features an impressive lineup of local and national experts and practitioners that present best practices for you to use social media in your work. Not to mention all the great networking!

[Read More](#)

-Source: LinkedIn Groups: Volunteer Match

7 Unique Fundraising Tools for Nonprofits

In *Mobile for Good: A How-To Fundraising Guide for Nonprofits*, a 40-hour work for a new media manager is outlined with five hours allotted weekly to experimenting with new online and mobile fundraising tools. The seven listed below are just the tip of the iceberg – and most of them are still in beta.

Having just celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the World Wide Web, the nonprofit sector now has a wide array of amazing new fundraising tools at our fingertips that we couldn't have imagined just a decade ago. However, unless your nonprofit has allocated the time and resources necessary to be an early adopter, your nonprofit will struggle to take advantage of this next generation of online and mobile fundraising tools.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Nonprofit Tech 4 Good, 31 March 2014

Spring Webinar Special for Nonprofits

Nonprofit Tech for Good offers a series of social and mobile media webinars ideal for training social and mobile media managers, communications and fundraising staff, and volunteers and interns. Each webinar has an individual price of \$50, but through June 21, 2014 they will be offered at the following discounted rates:

- Buy 2 Webinars, Get 1 Free :: 3 Webinars for \$100
- Buy 3 Webinars Get 2 Free :: 5 Webinars for \$150
- Buy 4 Webinars, Get 3 Free :: 7 Webinars and a Copy of Mobile for Good for \$200
- Buy 5 Webinars, Get 5 Free :: 10 Webinars and a Copy of Mobile for Good for \$250

Please Note: All 10 webinars rotate on a regular basis so if the current Webinar Schedule does not fit your schedule you can still take advantage of this special by purchasing a combination of registrations for currently scheduled webinars and credits for future webinars not yet scheduled. For example, if you would like to purchase five webinars for \$150 but can only commit to three of the currently scheduled webinars, then you will also be given two webinar credits that can easily be redeemed via email for future webinars.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Nonprofit Tech 4 Good, 23 March 2014

11 Nonprofit Professionals Share Social Media and Technology Advice for Nonprofits via Instagram Video

Thanks to a partnership with the Public Interest Registry, Heather Mansfield of Nonprofit Tech for Good was able to report live from the Nonprofit Technology Conference (#14NTC) last week in Washington, DC. Empowered with a tablet and smartphone, one of Heather's first priorities was to reveal the faces and expertise behind some of our favorite nonprofit brands. The results are below and what you'll hear are the responses to the question: "What is your number one piece of nonprofit technology advice for nonprofits?" You can view all videos at instagram.com/nonprofitorgs.

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-Source: Nonprofit Tech 4 Good, 17 March 2014

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Top 5 Email Fundraising Tips

Don't let anyone else tell you otherwise – email is the workhorse of digital fundraising. This webinar will give you the 5 most important strategies for maximizing return on your email fundraising program. We'll explore practical examples, pitfalls to avoid, best practices and share industry benchmarks so you can track your success.

Date: Wednesday, April 16, 2014
Time: 2:00-3:00PM Eastern Time

[Register Now](#)

-Source: CanadaHelps, 28 March 2014

Dalhousie University Accepting Applications for National, Online Governance Program

Dalhousie University's national online action learning program, Improving Non-Profit Governance, is tailored to executive directors and board leaders. Now in its 5th year, it involves peer learning, projects or interventions in each person's organization and access to the a variety of facilitative tools and sample policies, as well as instructor feedback and coaching. The program is open to nonprofits ready and committed to working on their governance practices over an extended period. Part 1 of the program, Governance Around

the Board Table, involves 12 weeks starting in September 2014; Part 2, Strategic and Generative Leadership: Governance Outside the Board Room, also 12 weeks, begins in January 2015. Registration fees for the program are \$1,200 for Part 1 and \$1,000 for Part 2.

The deadline for applications is June 27, 2014.

[Read More](#)

-Source: CharityVillage, Village Vibes, 26 March 2014

Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference now Accepting Applications

The [Governor General's Canadian Leadership Conference](#) was created to broaden the perspectives of future leaders in business, unions and public administration so that their decisions are based on a practical understanding of the influence of their organizations on the general welfare of the community. Members typically are managers and officials drawn from business, labour, professional and government positions as well as from academia, community and voluntary groups, and the cultural sector. The conference begins with a three-day plenary session where eminent speakers from Canada and around the world provide focus and substance to the Conference theme. The members also begin the process of debate and networking in their study groups, each of which is a microcosm of the overall Conference membership. Each study group then travels to a region of Canada where, for the next nine days, the members examine issues through the practical experiences of local companies, communities and regional leaders.

The application period is now open for the 2015 Conference, which will have the theme of Exploring Leadership and Innovation.

[Register Now](#)

-Source: CharityVillage, Village Vibes, 5 March 2014

Live: Leaders In Volunteer Engagement

Registration is now open for [PAVR-O's LIVE 2014 conference \(May 28-30\)](#) this year's host of our National Conference. PAVR-O invites everyone who works with or leads volunteers to join us May 28-30, 2014 for 3 days of learning, networking and connecting. Our theme, "Generating Energy for our Profession" will profile peers from across Canada as we celebrate the excellence of individual professionals. Don't miss out on the opportunity to connect with other leaders across Canada.

-Source: Volunteer Management Professionals of Canada, 12 March 2014

Best Practices for Behaviour-Based Interviewing

One of the most important decisions you can make for your organization is ensuring the right skilled people are hired into the right roles. Are you hiring ideal candidates to fill each vacancy in your organization? Are you confident that your recruitment results in a high level of organizational success? Join us and Gayle Hadfield, CHRP and Principal of HadfieldHR Consulting for a free webinar designed to help you improve your interviewing skills so you can hire as effectively as possible.

Date: Thursday, April 10 at 10am PST / 1pm EST

Skill Level: Introductory – Great for hiring managers who are not HR specialists. Please feel free to share this invitation with any nonprofit professionals at your organization who might be interested in learning more on this topic.

Cost: Free – Space is limited so [register early](#) to avoid disappointment

-Source: Volunteer BC, Spring Training Calendar, 10 March 2014

Women 4 SustainAbility

Just a friendly reminder that you should register today for the 'Simplicity' edition of [Women 4 SustainAbility](#) Tuesday, April 8th from 5:30-9pm at Sunset Ranch Golf Club. Join us as we share insights and explore ideas for making your life simpler, easier, and more sustainable. The cost is \$20, which includes appies and non-alcoholic beverages. Please register before April 4th at the [Eventbrite website](#).

-Source: Joanne de Vries, Founder & CEO, Fresh Outlook Foundation, SustainAbility Support Services Inc.

Conference: Work and Workplaces of the Future: Implications for Western Canada

GE says that its business is “building, powering, moving and curing the world,” and that it’s about more than imagining, it’s about doing.



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One of GE’s recent demonstrations of “doing” and creating the future today was the launch in 2012 of its Innovation Centre in Calgary. This state-of-the-art centre provides the tools and collaborative environment to help organizations work together to innovate and look at old problems in new ways. Innovation and collaboration, which are critical to the future of organizations, don’t just happen. They take hard work and the right, philosophy, people, processes and place to work.

Join us and other event delegates for a conference reception at the GE Innovation Centre, and learn about the Centre directly from its leaders. Participate in the tour, and see firsthand how GE engages and works with customers to co-create solutions for their challenges. Learn how GE is creating the future today, by leveraging a work environment where innovation, collaboration, and employee engagement thrive.

This is just one of the sessions you'll be a part of at Work and Workplaces of the Future: Implications for Western Canada, Monday, May 5, 2014, at the Hyatt Regency, Calgary. This event will help western-based organizations gain a greater understanding about future trends and their implications for their on-going success. This event will also help organizations learn about effective workplace strategies to meet the challenge of future change.

The full agenda is now available for viewing online! We've assembled some of Canada's top experts in this field, including:

- Ryan P. Arnold, Project Engineer, Gas Liquids Engineering
- Ian R. Cullwick, Vice-President, Leadership and Human Resources Research, The Conference Board of Canada
- Thomas J. Frey, Executive Director and Senior Futurist, DaVinci Institute
- Gandeephan Ganeshalingam, GE Innovation Center Leader, GE Global Growth & Operations
- Brian J. Gregg, Manager, Global Research – Canada, GE Global Research
- Graham S. Lowe, President, The Graham Lowe Group Inc.
- L. Frank Molnar, Partner, Field LLP
- Chelsea Thomson, Environmental Markets Specialist, Capital Power Corporation

View all our speakers and their sessions on [our website today!](#)

-Source: The Conference Board of Canada, Judith MacBride-King, Director, Age, Work and Society, 25 March 2014

Citizenship 101

Preparing for the Canadian Citizenship test: Citizenship 101 can help.

Upcoming [Citizenship 101 Course](#)

April 17th – May 20th, Every Tuesday and Thursday evening
from 4:30 – 6:00pm

Location: Kelowna Community Resources, #120-1735 Dolphin Avenue, Kelowna, BC

Cost: Free



To Register, please contact Immigrant Services – Kelowna Community Resources at:

Aimee: 250.763.8008 ext.35 | aimee@kcr.ca

Doreen: 250.763.8008 ext.29 | doreen@kcr.ca

Child minding available upon request

Funded by: Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

-Source: Katelin Mitchell, Immigrant Services Manager, KCR

Temperament: Working with Children and Parents

As a professional working with families, you will:

- Identify and understand the 9 Temperament Traits
- Create a temperament profile for yourself and increase awareness about how this impacts your work
- Understand how temperament impacts children in child care setting
- Learn how to incorporate temperament teaching into your child care setting
- Recognize the contribution temperament knowledge makes to an overall ability to communicate well with colleagues, parents and children

Series: COCDA Talks

Facilitator: Michele Hucul, The Bridge Youth and Family Services

Date: April 24, 2014

Place: Ramada Kelowna Hotel, 2170 Harvey Avenue

Registration: 250.763.5100 or info@cocda.com or Irma@cocda.com

-Source: COCDA, Sue Gee, 12 March 2014

Webinar: CNCA Continuance Process

Federal non-profit corporations under the Canada Corporations Act (CCA) have until October 17 to continue/move over to the new CNCA. Here is a short webinar with 15 slides and takes 15 minutes on the CNCA continuance process. If you have not completed the process you need to get moving. Federal non-profits that are dissolved will also end up losing their charitable status with all the related consequences.

[Read More](#)

-Source: Mark Blumberg, *Blumbergs' Canadian Charity Law List*, March 2014

Heart-Mind Conference: The Science of Kindness

Thursday, May 8-Saturday, May 10
Old Auditorium, UBC, Vancouver
Early bird registration ends March 31
[Register Now](#)



THE SCIENCE OF
KINDNESS
VANCOUVER, BC
MAY 8-10

The Dalai Lama Centre for Peace and Education presents the second annual Heart-Mind Conference from May 8-10, 2014. The Science of Kindness! Heart-Mind 2014 will share the latest science and practice related to how adults can cultivate kindness, empathy, compassion and altruism in children and in families, schools and throughout the community.

-Source: *First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition, The Child and Youth Advocate Newsletter*, 25 March 2014

Dealing With Difficult People

Kelowna: May 22, 2014 (early rate deadline May 1)

This workshop will analyze what is happening in exchanges with difficult people and demonstrate how people can adapt their strategies to bring about more productive conversations with those they find difficult. Participants will also learn how to change their interactions with difficult people in order to influence their behaviour, resulting in more positive outcomes.

Early rate \$170; Regular rate \$190

[Register Now](#)

-Source: ACHIEVE Training Centre, Heather Cobb, Public Workshop Coordinator, 12 March 2014

Hidden Facets of Victim Issues and Worker Care

Central Okanagan RCMP Victim Services invites you to a series of free training sessions during Victims of Crime Awareness Week. Funding provided by the Department of Justice Canada.

- Unresolved Trauma and Grief: Clair Jantzen: April 9: 1 – 4:30 pm
- Male Victims of Family Violence: Don Wright: April 9: 6 – 8:30 pm; April 10: 8:30 am – 12 noon
- Worker Care: Vicarious Trauma: Dr. Brian Rasmussen: April 10: 1:30 – 4:30 pm

April 9 & 10, 2014

Best Western Hotel, 2402 Highway 97 N, Kelowna

Cost: FREE

Pre-registration required:

Email Kelowna.VictimServices@rcmp-grc.gc.ca;

Phone 250.470.6242; Fax 250.470.6243

-Source: Regional District of Central Okanagan, Christene Walsh, Social Development Coordinator, 21 March 2014

Addictions and Mental Illness

The Crisis & Trauma Resource Institute Inc. is offering the following workshops in British Columbia this Spring. Early rate deadlines this week – register now and save 10%.

ADDICTIONS AND MENTAL ILLNESS

- Working with Co-occurring Disorders

Kelowna: May 29, 2014 (early rate deadline May 8)

Many people struggling with a mental illness are also struggling with an addiction.

Caregivers may often be at a loss for where to start – did the addictions cause the mental illness, did the mental illness cause the addictions or is there something else leading to

both? This workshop provides a framework for working systemically with both issues at the same time.

[Register Now](#)

-Source: CTRI Inc., Delayne Hogan, Public Workshop Coordinator, 10 March 2014

Trauma Informed Practice an Overview for Service Providers

Trauma Informed Practice An Overview for Service Providers All people, at all ages, and across all socio-economic status, can experience a traumatic event that can have a significant on every facet of their lives. These events can cause intense fear, terror, feelings of helplessness and despair, and physical stress reactions. They don't simply go away but instead can have a profound impact...

Tuesday, 24 June 2014 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (PDT)

WJS Canada
#2 11491 Kingston
Maple Ridge, BC
[Register Now](#)

-Source: WJS Canada Training Division, 21 March 2014

The Ultimate Donation Page Course

In this free online course, you'll learn the secrets to creating compelling and effective donation pages that convert more donors and raise more money. The online fundraising experts from Network for Good will guide you through the best practices of donation pages. Each of the 10 free lessons will give you:



Each of the 10 free lessons will give you:

- Step-by-step explanations of key online conversion techniques
- Real examples to show you how it's done
- Curated resources for further exploration
- Practical action items you can implement immediately

Each lesson should take no more than 20 minutes to complete, and in less than 6 weeks, you'll have a killer online donation page. For real.

[Register Now](#)

-Source: Network for Good, Caryn Stein, Director of Fundraising Training, 19 March 2014

Dialectical Behaviour Therapy

Dialectical Behaviour Therapy DBT is an intensive outpatient therapy developed by Marsha Linehan to treat chronically suicidal clients diagnosed with Borderline Personality Disorder. DBT has also been adapted to treat clients with addictions, eating disorders and other

complex problems. Working with clients who experience these difficulties is extremely challenging for mental health and direct service professionals. DBT has proven to be effective in reducing suicidal, self-harm and other impulsive behaviours and to increase client engagement in therapy. DBT blends Cognitive Behavioural Therapy with acceptance-based strategies stemming from Zen philosophy. A primary therapeutic task is to balance acceptance of the client with a focus on change. During this workshop, participants will learn the theoretical underpinnings of DBT, the group and individual components and DBT skills from each of the four modules.

Participants will learn to:

- Conceptualize borderline personality disorder using biosocial theory
- Apply the components of standard Dialectical Behaviour Therapy
- Balance validation and change strategies
- Conduct a behavioural analysis and solution analysis of problematic behaviours
- Apply skills for clients, including mindfulness, distress tolerance, emotion regulation and interpersonal effectiveness

Early Bird Fee: \$ 250.00 (expires 05/03/14) Regular Fee: \$ 275.00

[Register Now](#)

-Source: The Hincks-Dellcrest Centre, 26 March 2014

Community – An Introduction to Home Sharing

Do you want to provide care for individuals in your home? Then this course is for you! Maybe you know someone who is interested in providing care for someone in their home? Feel free to share this information with them.

Community ~ A course for Home Sharing A WJS Training Division Initiative WJS Training Division is excited to bring you this course designed specifically for persons wishing to care for individuals in their own home! "COMMUNITY" is a certificate course that will help prepare you to share your home, and life with an individual in care.

Wednesday, 21 May 2014 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM (PDT)

WJS Canada
11491 Kingston St
Maple Ridge, BC
[Register Now](#)

-Source: WJS Canada Training Division, 25 March 2014

8-Week Adult Grief Group

Offered by the Central Okanagan Hospice Association (COHA)
May 14th – July 2nd, 6pm – 8pm
104-1456 St Paul Street

The 8-Week Adult Grief Group is open to anyone who has lost a loved one, even if the loss occurred outside of Hospice House. The group is facilitated by trained COHA volunteers and counsellors. This group provides an opportunity for adults to explore their feelings of loss in order to promote healthy living. Each week a new theme is discussed, so attendance at as many sessions as possible is preferred.

There is no cost to participate; the only requirement is to protect the confidentiality of the group outside of meetings. Registration is required as space is limited.

For more information, contact our office, 250.763.5511, or email bereavement@hospicecoha.org

-Source: Pauline Weninger, Program Assistant, Central Okanagan Hospice Association, 1 April 2014

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How is Transformative Value Essential to Creating Shared Value? It's All about Experience

In this series we will explore how external constructs expressed as policies, strategies, manuals, performance reviews and mission statements must be internalized by individuals in order to achieve the promise of both blended and shared value.

[Read More](#)

-Source: VolunteerMatch Group Members, 28 March 2014

New Source for Charity News & Events

Hi all. Information I share with you is always about charities, but isn't always specific to volunteerism. So i've created a new group on LinkedIn specifically to be a source of new charity news, research, events, and awareness campaigns. I will still share information here periodically, but invite you all to join the new group and encourage you to contribute information, links and discussions.

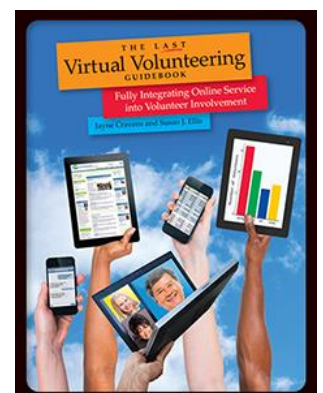
[Read More](#)

-Source: LinkedIn Groups: Volunteer Match

The Last Virtual Volunteering Guidebook

Fully Integrating Online Service into Volunteer Involvement
Our newest book is now available. The LAST Virtual Volunteering Guidebook has been released both as a paperback and as an e-book! Authors Jayne Cravens and Susan J. Ellis have packed the book full of creative and practical ways to welcome and manage online service as effectively as onsite service. Learn all about the book and read an excerpt in the [Energize Online Bookstore](#).

-Source: Energize Inc., 12 February 2014



Volunteer Canada Launches Campaign to Celebrate National Volunteer Week

During [National Volunteer Week 2014](#), [Volunteer Canada](#) and Investors Group are encouraging Canadians to thank volunteers for their efforts, by participating in a unique countrywide conversation about volunteer recognition. The Volunt-Hear Hotline, a toll-free number that Canadians can call to leave a brief impact statement and thank a volunteer, will be live from March 23 until April 12. Messages will be collected and organized into playlists online. Listeners will be able to download the audio files from [volunteer.ca](#), share them through social media and hear first-hand how volunteer work changes lives and shapes communities. This is the 11th consecutive year that Volunteer Canada delivers a National Volunteer Week campaign in partnership with Investors Group. In addition to the Volunt-Hear Hotline, people can thank a volunteer on Twitter. Thank you Tweets with the #NVW2014 hashtag will be featured on [volunteer.ca](#) through a live feed.



-Source: VillageVibes, Charity Village.com, 26 March 2014

Choosing a Vendor for Giving & Volunteering? Here's Some Help

Managing your employee volunteering and giving program can be exhausting – but it shouldn't be. There are some great online tools and technology to help you plan and manage great events, communicate effectively, and capture the right data showing impact. Choosing the right vendor, however, can be a long and trying process.

At the upcoming '13th Annual Best Practices Summit on Employee Engagement in Corporate Citizenship' in NYC (April 3,4) we'll be taking a hard look at the process of vendor selection. The best part – the vendors will on be at the conference too – ready and willing to answer your questions.

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