

Volunteer Edmonton News – June 5, 2006

Update on the Municipal Policy on Volunteers and Volunteerism

The City of Edmonton's proposed policy on Volunteers and Volunteerism will go to the Community Services Committee of City Council on June 26 for review. You will be able to access the policy through the Report to Council and related attachments on the City's website on Thursday, June 22. To do this, go to the City's website, click on "City Government" on the menu bar part way down the screen. When this page opens up, go to the menu of the left hand side and click on "meeting agenda and minutes", then click on Community Services Committee Agenda, and click on June 26. This opens up the agenda. Find the Volunteerism Policy item on the item. There will be a small blue arrow to the right of the item. Click on it to open the report. At the bottom of the report the attachments are in hypertext. Click on each item to open them up. The Community Services Committee meeting is a public meeting so you are welcome to attend. You can also ask to speak to the policy. To do this, you must register online. The form is at the bottom of the page when you open up the "Meeting Agenda and Minutes" item on the menu.

Insurance Tool Kit for Not-for-Profits

This excellent resource has been developed to help not-for-profit organizations become better informed insurance customers. A series of FREE workshops is now available to help you learn what you need to know about this hot topic. Locally, these workshops are being co-sponsored by Volunteer Edmonton and the Edmonton Chamber of Voluntary Organizations with support from Volunteer Alberta through the Canadian Volunteerism Initiative. **Register soon** as space is limited. The workshops are taught by an experienced insurance professional.

Edmonton Sessions:

Thurs., July 6 from 6:30-9:30 pm, South East Edmonton Seniors Association, 9350 82 Street in the craft room.

Wed., Oct. 4, 9 a.m.-Noon, Percy Page Centre, 11759 Groat Road, room TBA. Sat. Nov. 4, from 1-4 pm, Grant MacEwan College, room TBA.

Register by email by sending information with the date of the session, the name of the organization, the person attending, and their position, to ecvo.register@interbaun.com.

St. Albert Session: Mon., Oct. 2 from 1-4 p.m., location to be announced. Contact the St. Albert Community Information and Volunteer Centre at answers@st-albert.info to register.

Sherwood Park Session: Wednesday, June 7 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Information and Volunteer Centre for Strathcona County (Sherwood Park). Contact the Information and Volunteer Centre for Strathcona County at ivc@shaw.ca to register.

New Stats Released for Giving, Volunteering & Participating!

Just Released! New study offers new perspectives on giving and volunteering. Imagine Canada has released the new results of the 2004 Canada Survey of Giving, Volunteering and Participating. For the full report visit <http://www.givingandvolunteering.ca/reports.asp>

National Study of Board Practices in the Non-Profit and Voluntary Sector

Effective board governance in the voluntary sector continues to be a hot topic across the country. Many organizations and foundations struggle with governance issues, decisions, and best practices. On April 26th, 2006, the First National Study of Board Practices in the Non-Profit and

Voluntary Sector was unveiled. To download the report visit
<http://www.strategicleveragepartners.com/download.html>.

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