



December 3, 2014

Executive Committee of Council City of Burnaby 4949 Canada Way Burnaby, BC V5G 1M2

## **HIKE FOR HOSPICE BURNABY**

Dear Chair and Members of the Executive Committee of Council for the City of Burnaby:

On Sunday, May 3, 2015, thousands of people across Canada will walk to support the annual Hike for Hospice Palliative Care. Here in Burnaby, members of our community will be hiking in Central Park to celebrate and commemorate the lives and memories of their loved ones. The event will also raise awareness and funds to benefit the Burnaby Hospice Society so that we may continue our critical work of providing compassionate care to individuals and families during the end-of-life process.

The Burnaby Hospice Society is respectfully requesting an in-kind grant from the City of Burnaby for the printing of event promotional materials inclusive of brochures, posters and banners up to the value of \$1,500 in support of Burnaby Hospice Society's 13th annual Hike for Hospice Burnaby. All event proceeds will go directly towards supporting the Society's hospice palliative care and bereavement support programs which are offered at no cost to Burnaby residents and their families and friends.

Established in 1986, the Burnaby Hospice Society has been long known within this community for our dedication to providing quality support to individuals and families during the end-of-life journey. We serve over 900 families in the Burnaby community every year and in 2014 we saw a 38% increase in our Bereavement services . Since our inception, Burnaby Hospice Society has touched the lives of tens of thousands of people, ensuring that no one in Burnaby needs to go through the end-of-life journey alone.

With your help, the Burnaby Hospice Society looks forward to continuing to make a positive impact in the lives of those going through the end-of-life journey in our community. Thank you for your attention and support of the Society, and the community members that it serves. We look forward to your consideration of our request. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at 604.520.5016 or bkirk@burnabyhospice.org.

Sincerely, Sent electronically

Bruce Kirk Executive Director