

The Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby

Working Together To End Homelessness In Burnaby

www.burnabyhomeless.org

December 22, 2016

Executive Committee 4949 Canada Way Burnaby, B.C. V5G 1M2

Re: Community Grants Program

Dear Members of the Executive Committee

I am writing on behalf of 1) The Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby and the Burnaby Task Force On Homelessness, the diverse and collaborative strategic planning table supported by our Society, and 2) the 2016 Burnaby Coldest Night of the Year Planning Committee. The Society is requesting a grant to cover the cost of printing:1 Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby banner size 3' x 20' cost \$260.00

1 2016 Coldest Night of the Year banner size 3' x 20'

cost \$260.00 Total cost \$520.00

Society Background Information

The Burnaby Task Force On Homelessness is comprised of representatives from government agencies, the health authority, RCMP, social service and community organizations, business improvement associations, housing providers, faith communities and concerned citizens who are committed to working together to identify and address issues of homelessness in the City of Burnaby. The Society was created in May 2015 to sustain and move forward with this important work in raising the awareness of homelessness in Burnaby and providing services for Burnaby citizens living in extreme poverty and homelessness.

Coldest Night of the year Background Information

The Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby has partnered with Burnaby Community Services to host Burnaby's first annual Coldest Night of the Year. The Coldest Night of the Year is a fun, family-friendly fundraiser that raises money to support and provide services for Burnaby's homeless citizens and provides an opportunity for people to experience on a small scale what it is like to be outside in the cold. The Coldest Night of the Year is comprised of teams walking for either 2, 5 or 10 km and receiving pledges from friends, family, coworkers and others for the person or team to complete their walk. The date for the Coldest Night of Year is February 25th, 2017. Together with thousands of Canadians across the country, Burnaby teams will be raising much-needed funds for local charities who support and serve the hungry, homeless, and hurting. City approval has been granted to place the banner on the Canada Way overpass for January 30-Feb 26th. The banner is needed by the Engineering department by Friday January 20th to meet the display requirements.

We are asking the Executive Committee to provide a grant to cover the cost of the banners so that we will be able to share with all commuters that the Coldest Night of the Year walk is occurring, and encouraging them to participate. The contact for The Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby is Wanda Mulholland at 604-317-8114 or info.burnabyhomeless@gmail.com. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

Ko Shennasery

Karen O'Shannacery President

The Society To End Homelessness In Burnaby PO Box 54662 Highgate PO, Burnaby BC V5E 4J6