



UNITED WAY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA (UWNBC) -- COMMUNITY IMPACT IN CHETWYND

Community Development Investments

- In response to the unprecedented downturn in the forest industry, UWNBC hosted and facilitated a community support session in Chetwynd in 2008. The session focused primarily on assisting forest industry workers and their families and others affected by the economic downturn. The topics for this session included financial issues and options, re-employment strategies and resources, re-training opportunities, social and health issues and resources available for those affected by the layoffs and closures in the forest industry. Partners involved in making these sessions a success included: RBC representatives and various representatives from social and health, employment and educational institutions.

Organizational Strengthening Investments

- UWNBC plays a facilitative role in connecting businesses that have excess new or used resources, be it technologies, furniture, employees or other resources, with charities throughout the region that would benefit from the resources. An example of this is a partnership with TELUS whereby 39 northern BC region charities and non-profits received new computers from TELUS to help them continue providing important community services. UWNBC coordinated the initiative by distributing the information on the opportunity, and delivering the computers to charities throughout the northern BC region.

6 computers were delivered to Chetwynd as a result of this partnership, 1 to the Family Resource Centre and 5 to the Mocassin Flats Metis Society.

Program & Service Impact Investments - July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011

- BC Paraplegic Association - Promotes conditions within society which minimize barriers faced by persons with disabilities enabling them to live as full a life as possible within the limits of their disability. For further information call (250) 563-6942 or visit www.bcpara.org.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of the BC Paraplegic Association *for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011* in their endeavor to provide regional Peer Programming and InfoLine Services to persons with spinal cord injuries, persons with physical disabilities and their families in the North.

Stats: In 2009, 19 persons residing in the northeast region received Peer Programming and InfoLine Services, 1 of these persons resided in Chetwynd.

- cnib - Provides resources and services for blind and visually impaired people and their families. For further information call (250) 563-1702 or visit www.cnib.ca.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of cnib *for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011* in their endeavor to provide Rehabilitation Services to persons with vision loss and their families in the North.



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Rehabilitation Services include: Orientation and Mobility, Independent Living Skills, Career and Employment and Low Vision Services.

Stats: In 2009, 56 persons residing in the northeast region received Rehabilitation Services, 3 of these people resided in Chetwynd.

- Crisis Prevention, Intervention & Information Centre for Northern BC - Operates a Crisis line, youth support line and provides community education workshops and information on community resources. For further information call (250) 564-5736 or visit www.northernbccrisissuicide.ca.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of the Crisis Prevention, Intervention and Information Centre for Northern BC for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011 in their endeavor to provide Crisis and Youth Support Line services to persons in crises in the North.

Stats: In 2009, 435 crisis calls were responded to from the northeast region, 79 of these calls were from persons in the communities of Dawson Creek, Chetwynd and Tumbler Ridge.



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