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Funders and Non Profits come together in Golden

New 'Funders Forum' kicks off 2010 Not-For-Profit Connection

(Golden, BC) – Last year, non profit organizations came to the Town of Golden's Community Registration Night. This year, the funders are also coming to get involved, get active, and give back.

Building on the success of the Community Registration Night in 2008, Kicking Horse Country's 2009 Not-For-Profit Connection (NFP Connection) enabled the public to learn about Kicking Horse Country's wonderful not-for-profit organizations and register for fall and winter community programs.

Last year, forty-five organizations utilized the Not-For-Profit Connection and Community Registration Night to meet 350 local residents through this informal, tradeshow-style event. More groups are expected this year, so the event has moved to a larger venue, the Mount 7 Rec Plex.

From Victoria to Calgary, key groups with support programs available to organizations in Golden and CSRD Electoral Area A have been invited to participate in the new Funders Forum presentation. This is a rare opportunity for funders to get in front of key staff and volunteers of over 80 local non profit organizations and tell them how their programs can help.

A second benefit of this event is the chance to align Funders together, reducing support overlap and filling gaps, as well as aligning funders with recipient organizations. This 'one-stop-shop' event should be a real time-saver for all in attendance.

For the non profits, this special pre-event presentation is a chance for local groups to learn about new fundraising and grant programs. Organizations that have a project in the works and are looking for external support are strongly encouraged to attend this meeting. Funders Forum will kick off the Not-For-Profit Connection & Community Registration Night held immediately after.

This jam-packed evening will also host some great performances this year. The extra floor space at the Mount 7 Rec Plex provides the opportunity for local groups to perform a public demonstration of their sport or activity during the NFP Connection and Community Registration Night.

The Funders Forum runs from 4:00pm to 5:15pm on Wednesday September 8th, while the NFP Connection is open from 6:00pm to 8:30pm. The event is sponsored by the Town of Golden, Rural Golden, Columbia Basin Trust and Golden & District Community Foundation.

To register a display table and a public demonstration time for your group, please contact Lisa Reinders or Sarah Wegelin at the Town of Golden by phone 250-344-2271 x.225 or email leisure.events@golden.ca by September 1st.

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