



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

### **For Immediate Release**

#### **Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough seeking applications for inaugural Organizational Leadership and Innovation Grants**

#### **Grants program to support work of local charitable organizations**

PETERBOROUGH, March 8, 2011 - The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough (CFGFP) is pleased to announce that it is now accepting applications for its inaugural Organizational Leadership and Innovation Grant Program. Completed applications must be received by the Community Foundation no later than 5:00 pm Friday, April 29, 2011.

Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough grant programs are intended to support and encourage the effectiveness of local charitable organizations in meeting their missions and improving the quality of life in the City and County of Peterborough.

“The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough is proud to announce this granting initiative to foster community leadership and development” said CFGFP Board Chair, Bill Lockington. “When we partner with local organizations to build their capacity and realize opportunities, we develop a stronger City and County of Peterborough.”

Organizational Leadership and Innovation Grants are investments that strengthen organizational infrastructure and leadership. Funding of up to \$3000 is available for projects that meet the granting priorities. This program has been made possible through the generous support of the CFGFP Directors’ Fund.

Eligible lead applicants are registered charities operating with offices and programs within the City and/or County of Peterborough. For applications that include a partnership or collaboration, partner and collaborating organizations may include incorporated not-for-profits and community-based organizations. A full program description, including application guideline and form, is available at [www.cfqp.ca](http://www.cfqp.ca).



To assist in the grant application process, the Community Foundation will host information sessions, and all interested parties are encouraged to attend. Information sessions will occur:

- Monday March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:00 – 2:00 pm at Buckhorn Public Library
- Monday, March 21st, 5:30 – 6:30 pm at Peterborough Public Library Auditorium
- Wednesday March 23rd, 1:00 – 2:00 pm at Asphodel Norwood Municipal Office, Council Chambers

A CFGP Grants Assessment Committee, made up of board and community members, will review the applications submitted by charities and select the grant recipients. Recipients will be acknowledged at the CFGP Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 2011.

### **About the Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough**

The Community Foundation of Greater Peterborough fosters philanthropy by pooling endowed and special funds, while its grants to registered charities enhance the quality of life for local citizens. The Foundation enables all community members to contribute to positive, lasting changes in the community, and is a part of a national network of community foundations which exist in more than 170 communities from coast to coast.

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