



“Caring Hearts” for Underprivileged Children Society

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WE'VE COME A LONG WAY LADIES & LADS...

Many thank yous and appreciation to all those that have contributed to this year's new start – from April to September 2008. Without all the labours of love and muscle power, we could not have accomplished as much as we have, with more to go.

Since April, Caring Hearts found a new home and moved June 1, 2008 – **Ste. 240 – 8138 – 128 St., Surrey, B. C.** Many helping hands and kind hearts made the move quite a masterful day – in time to organize for the Open House on June 8.

Most know the new board members, but will list them for ready reference as many may not have the information as yet and we encourage all volunteers to come and meet us and see the new facilities.

BOARD MEMBERS:

PRESIDENT: CAROL MCKENZIE
VICE PRESIDENT: MARGUERITE DAVIS
SECRETARY: CHERYL HUNTER
TREASURER: DEL LETENDRE
BOARD MEMBER: MARILYNNE CRON

We have also set up 6 committees that will facilitate the efficient flow of goods coming in, either as finished products from volunteers or donated fabric and yarn; and distribution of these products to the many programs that we work with.

We also have a new membership card system that we encourage all volunteers to use/or have a board member show them how we have it set up. When a volunteer comes in with finished products, we have alphabetized cards per member that can be filled in with the date and products in and materials out. When completed, the card is left out for data entry on Thursdays so we have a weekly report of everything in/out.

The Committees to date are: Yarn, Fabric and Notions, Bagging, Programs, Funding and Membership.

Each committee has a group of ladies that have volunteered their time to work with that committee and we hope to enlist many more to work a few hours a month at the office or at home with one of our committees. **ANY MORE VOLUNTEERS AVAILABLE ????????** Each committee leader is open to all volunteers and suggestions, so anyone that can spare a few hours at Caring Hearts is welcome to speak with any board member.

Again, we are so indebted to all our wonderful, caring volunteers and thank you, thank you for your fine works and time.

Marguerite Davis
Vice-President



Sewers Always Needed

The fabric corner is in the process of getting set up in our new office space. Since June we have had several large donations of fabric and notions.

The notions section is all sorted into bins and baskets which are labeled making it easier to find different items. If you cannot find what you are looking for please ask someone for help.

We are still in the process of sorting all the fabric which will be put on designated shelves and labeled appropriately. There is yardage available in some fabrics so don't hesitate to make items in larger sizes. Remember we make items in sizes 1 – 16.

I would like to take this opportunity to "THANK" everyone who has given their time, effort and expertise working on this massive project. Please spread the word that we are always looking for new sewers!!!

Marilynne Cron Fabric Committee

Bagging Committee News

We proudly announce the "**Bag ladies**" a group of enthusiastic ladies that work every Tuesday night to put together the finished items for delivery to the programs and materials for the volunteers later in the week.

Geri, Jennifer & Erin help with whatever is needed doing. If the phoning committee is caught up on calls then we pitch in and help the fabric committee with sorting, measuring and finding homes for the never ending supply of great fabrics that are donated to us.

REMINDER: Our big need right now are the scarves, mitts and toques for the elementary schools. Our best size for the scarves is between 3-5" wide and for the younger kids only 3 ft. long, while the intermediate ages up to 4 ft. long.

We are always finding things that need doing and if you have time to help just let us know. We'd love to have you come out and give us a hand and learn more about the "**Caring Hearts**" operation.

Very happy that our move went well and delighted with our new space. We now have a bit of extra room to continue the good works of our grassroots charity. We are always delighted to answer on our applications that we are all volunteers and all donate time to help the children with their expertise and skill. We have no membership dues, and while we encourage volunteers to create the most needed items, they are free to use any pattern and colour combination they chose. All our volunteers donate their time to help the children. Even those who are not confident in their needle skills still take the time to help in other areas to ensure that "**Caring Hearts**" will continue.

As we are a registered charity we must comply with government rules and accountability to our funders. This is why our documentation is important to be kept up. We appreciate your patience and understanding and want you to know administratively we are doing our best to keep all volunteers informed on the procedures, while trying to maintain data that is necessary for continued charity status.

If you would like to help in any area please let us know. You know I can always find something for you to do!!
Thanks for helping us help the children.

Del
\$\$\$\$ Treasurer \$\$\$\$

**Please come to our once-a-month
Sunday Openings. Call us for the dates.**

@ Noon - 3:00 PM 604-598-1177



Come see the new office.

