

Do you or your organization wish to join Community Links?

Membership is open to seniors' groups and senior serving organizations, as well as interested individuals aged 55+

Just fill this out and return to the address on the front. OR visit us on the web!

www.nscommunitylinks.ca

Name of Organization or Individual

Contact Person/ Position

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Who we are:

A provincial association of member organizations and individuals headed by our Board of Directors:

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Community Links is a provincial organization that promotes age friendly communities and quality of life for Nova Scotia seniors through community development and volunteer action

Our Vision

Seniors in Nova Scotia are informed, active, engaged in their communities, have a voice in public policy, and are able to age in place with quality of life.

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Our National Affiliation:

Canadian Pensioners Concerned

In the fall of 2008 Community Links became the Nova Scotia Division of Canadian Pensioners Concerned. This will help ensure that the concerns of Nova Scotia seniors will be heard at the national level.

Our priorities:

- Encourage and support seniors across Nova Scotia to lead healthy, safe and active lives.
- Recognize seniors' talents, skills and experiences as volunteers and organizers, and promote their ability to be independent and productive members of their communities.
- Support Nova Scotia's volunteers to be productive in their efforts and to feel valued for their contributions.
- Ensure that the membership of Community Links is well informed of and has input into issues and activities of importance to them.
- Ensure that issues affecting Nova Scotia seniors are represented to government, funders, businesses, and other organizations in order that they are addressed appropriately.

Current initiatives:

Preventing Falls Together (PFT)

This program uses a coalition model to increase the capacity of organizations, government and business to integrate falls prevention directed at seniors into their work and policies. There are PFT coalitions in every region of the province.

Mini Peoples' Schools

These regional events have been held in Shelburne and Kingston, and the next event is to be held in Tatamagouche. Topics are geared to local seniors' concerns, and have included advocacy, leadership, and funding.

S.A.Y.! (Seniors and Youth)

This project, supported by the Department of Seniors Positive Aging Fund, brings seniors and youth together to discuss topics such as the environment, drugs and sexuality, and ageism and the generations. A youth-senior forum will be held in the fall of 2009. The entire process is being documented on digital video.

Nova Scotia Volunteer Forum Community Links is one of four provincial partners coordinating this website, managed by, and for, volunteers. New support from HPP-Volunteerism allows for improvements to the site, including a new volunteer recruitment feature.

www.nsvolunteerforum.ca

Atlantic Charities Learning Exchange

This project works with small and rural charities across the Atlantic region on compliance issues for the Canada Revenue Agency. Community Links is managing the project in Nova Scotia.

Seniors and Gambling: This project, with support from by the NS Gaming Foundation. uses research, informal surveys, and focus groups to look at gambling attitudes and behaviour among Nova Scotia seniors.

How we work:

- √ building communication links
- √ sharing information and opportunities
- √ networking within Community Links and with other groups and networks
- √ creating partnerships / collaborations
- √ sponsoring projects

Benefits of membership:

- associate membership in Canadian Pensioners Concerned
- support for involvement in association initiatives
- invitations to learning opportunities
- quarterly newsletters
- monthly e-bulletins
- information on topics of interest
- access to resources
- involvement in decision-making
- networking with others