Motion Information: General Membership Meeting: 2020.12.016

MADD Motion

Further to the sponsorship advertising request I had submitted on October 26, I wanted to take a moment to follow up. Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to email or call the office at 1-866-767-1736. We hope to have CUPE Local 2081 join us for our upcoming edition being released early new year.

The MADD Message Yearbook is an annual publication designed to raise awareness and funds for the many programs MADD Canada provides, including educational seminars in schools for new young drivers, (<u>https://maddyouth.ca/school-program</u>). The publication will be available to the public and to our business and professional advertisers free of charge via mail and in high profile public locations. By placing your advertisement you can take part in the messaging focused on stopping impaired driving in our communities, while publicly promoting your commitment to the cause. For additional information, to see our rates, and to see a recent e-copy, please visit our website, <u>www.maddmessage.ca</u>. Without the backing of the business community, this important publication would not be possible. We hope to count on your participation in our upcoming edition

United Way Motion

Dear Friends,

UNITED IN RECOVERY,

The past months have tested us in all ways we never could have imagined.

For our most vulnerable Victorians – struggling to make ends meet or put food on the table – this has been an exceptionally difficult and a heartbreaking time.

As we begin to recover from this crisis, families across Greater Victoria are going to need our help more than ever. Demand for social services has skyrocketed and the need for vital support services continues to rise. VLC is asking you to consider donating some of your budget line to United Way to ensure no needs go unmet in our community. All dollars raised stay local in Greater Victoria.

Today, United Ways, in negotiated partnerships with labour, fund labour programs and staff in more than 40 communities in Canada. The purpose is to link labour and community organizations and our networks, train activists to connect members in need with relevant agencies and to ensure the needs of workers are met in the community, as well as working together in areas of public policy.

As a result of COVID-19, more people are now on the edge of crisis, facing significant barriers such as poverty, mental illness and isolation. Greater Victoria has been pushed to the limits, and the social sector is being stretched beyond its capacity. With our support, United Way of Greater Victoria sustained a network of over 60 agencies supporting over 90 programs. Your gift ensures the community is supported where it is needed most.

In these extraordinary times, the support from our local unions will help the United Way address the long-term recovery of our community's social service sector. We must ensure our agency network is here for tomorrow, so these services are not there only in times of crisis, but as we emerge and rebuild. In Solidarity,

Darlas Joka

Darlene Gallant, President Victoria Labour Council

Executive Expenditures

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

RE: THE MONTREAL MASSACRE MEMORIAL - DECEMBER 6th

December 6th marks the 31st anniversary of the Montreal Massacre. Each year, PSAC's Vancouver Island Regional Women's Committee (VIRWC) organizes a December 6th Memorial.

As union women, we are proud of our work to ensure we remember the 14 murdered women, raise awareness of violence against women and fundraise for organizations who provide safe havens for women and children in need of protection.

This year, we are **collecting donations for the Victoria Transition House and the Victoria Sexual Assault Center.** All monies raised will be divided between organizations. We are asking you and your union to financially support women and children in our communities so they do not have to live in fear.

Each year unions generously donate; but this year we ask that your Local reach a little deeper.

COVID-19 has created financial stress on families and women have bore the economic brunt of job losses; 1.5 million Canadian women lost their jobs in the first 2 months of the pandemic. Providing financial support provides a way out of domestic violence.

PSAC BC Region and the VIRWC are holding a virtual event remembering the 14 women who were murdered during the Montreal Massacre on **Sunday**, **December 6**, **2019 at 5:10 pm.** The day and time of the first murder. Please inform your members about the memorial. Help us make our memorial a successful one to End Violence Against Women.

Please contact nancysermons@gmail.com regarding your donation.

With Deepest Respect In Solidarity,

Karolyn Jones

Chair, Vancouver Island Regional Women's Committee PSAC BC, Karolyn.c.jones@gmail.com

Post Secondary Education Campaign

Hello College Locals

The University group of Locals is planning a campaign informed by the attached Post Secondary Education recovery discussion document. The reality is there are sector wide challenges and a sector wide campaign will be a more effective than a university only campaign. With that understanding, the consensus within the University group is to invite all CUPE College Locals in BC to participate in the campaign. To support this, I am sharing the discussion document and *draft* cost share in advance of organizing a meeting to discuss and consider joining this campaign. You'll note that the language of the *draft* cost share already includes references to colleges due to the reality that all of Post Sec is affected similarly and collective action is best.

The original estimate of cost sharing is based on \$10.00 per member with a kick off early in the New Year.

If you have any initial questions, feel free to reach out to me and I'll do my best to find you the answer. Karen Ranalletta, President at 2950 UBC, has also agreed to field questions at president@cupe2950.ca