

Haldimand County Community Development and Partnerships Affiliation Application Information

Objective:

To assist citizen organizations in initiating, planning, developing, organizing and evaluating recreational and/or cultural activities within the community of Haldimand.

Criteria for Affiliation

- Groups must identify a purpose and objective and how it serves the community.
- Groups must be of a recreational and/or cultural nature, with aims and objectives compatible with those of the Community Development & Partnerships Division.
- Groups must be a non-profit organization.
- Membership to the group must be available to all residents in the community taking into consideration limiting factors such as geographical location, age and facility limitations.
- Groups that are denied approval of affiliation may appeal in writing to the Community Development & Partnerships Division for further consideration.

Special Services Available to all Approved Affiliation Groups

- Affiliated groups through the Joint Use Agreement between the Community
 Development & Partnerships Division and The Board of Education may make
 use of designated schools (following the required procedures as established by
 the Boards of Education) for programs and/or meetings organized by the group.
- Affiliated organizations are aware that Community Development and Partnership staff are here as a resource for the groups.

Obligation/Responsibilities of Affiliated Groups:

- The services, activities and programs, which are offered by the groups, should be in response to the needs of the citizens in the community.
- Groups should be involved in training of its members and participants, in order to insure continued growth and development of the individuals and group.
- Groups should publicize the activities to the general public in order to make their programs accessible.
- Groups must assume responsibility for their own liability insurance coverage for all the group's activities.
- Groups must renew their Affiliation on an annual basis.
- It is strongly recommended that all groups working with children, youth, special needs and seniors must implement a volunteer screening program, which includes a criminal records and vulnerable sector check.
- Groups are responsible for ensuring all bills and fees associated with the programs or activities are paid in full.