

Community Spirit Donation Grant Program



From donations to the Star of the North in 2007 we received a matching grant from the Community Spirit Donation Grant Program that allowed us to purchase new chairs and tables such as these in our Genesis meeting room.

Star of the North Retreat Centre is one of this year's happy recipients of a Community Spirit Donation Grant.

We would like to express our appreciation for the provincial government grant we received. We purchased 25 new chairs and 6 tables for two of our meeting rooms, the Genesis room and the Polaris room. We are fortunate to have a committed base of donors and this grant program enhances their giving. It provides a powerful incentive for continued generosity.

We are pleased to be a contributing part of Alberta's non-profit sector, offering services and programs that benefit peoples' lives. This grant enables us to do so in a more effective manner.



New Chairs in our Polaris meeting room purchased with monies received from the Community Spirit Donation Grant Program.

DONATION GRANT PROGRAM GIVING MORE POWER TO YOUR CHARITY DOLLARS

- Alberta's Community Spirit Donation Grant Program is an opportunity for non-profit and charitable organizations to receive a donation grant.
- It is based on total eligible cash donations to the charity from individuals that have been received over a 12-month period.
- **Star of the North** can apply for a grant once we have received a minimum of \$1,000 in total cash donations from individuals.
- The provincial government will issue a donation grant to help support our work.
- The maximum grant available is \$25,000 per year, or \$50,000 over three years.

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ENHANCED CHARITABLE TAX CREDIT

Great news for donors!

- Including the federal tax credit, you now receive a 50-cent non-refundable tax credit for every dollar donated over \$200.
- For example, if you donate a total of \$500 to four or five charities throughout the year, you would receive a combined federal and provincial charitable tax credit of \$200. This means that the donations would cost you about \$300, which is the equivalent of donating 82 cents a day.
- The charitable tax credit applies to Canada Revenue Agency-registered charities ONLY. These organizations are eligible to issue official income tax receipts