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Save The Date

Upcoming Events

Saturday, June 7th, 2014 from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Psychiatric Survivor Archives, Toronto, Eighth Annual General Meeting. Psychiatric survivors, consumers/current/former patients and allies are welcome to attend. Hear/read a report on past activities. Discuss future directions. Elect board members for the year ahead. This meeting is wheelchair accessible. Refreshments will be available. The 519 Church Street Community Centre, Room 106 (just north of the corner of Church and Wellesley Streets).

Friday, June 13th, 2014 from 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (registration begins at 8:00 am). The Leadership Project - Psychosis 2.0: New Understandings and Effective Ways of Working With and Healing From Psychosis. www.psychosis2.net or Brian at 416 285-7996 ext. 227 bmckinnon@alternativestoronto.org. University of Toronto, Hart House, 1 Hart House Circle.

Sunday, June 22nd, 2014 Please join the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) York and Toronto regions for Ride Don't Hide. The ride is family-friendly 5 km, 10 km, and 20 km routes and a 60 km challenge route. It will start and end at Upper Canada Mall in Newmarket. Proceeds from the ride will continue to support and expand youth programming as well as fund housing supports, education and the Holiday Gift Program for those in recovery from mental illness. You can sign up to be a rider (\$35 registration fee), a virtual rider (unable to ride but want to fund raise), create a team, sponsor a rider or team, make a direct donation and volunteer. All help is welcome and appreciated. Please go to the ride website at: <http://www.ridedonthide.com/> and select Greater Toronto from the list of Ontario rides. For more information please contact Ellen Reeves at CMHA York Region by email: ereeves@cmha-yr.on.ca or by phone: 1 866-208-5509 ext. 2214.

Saturday, July 12th, 2014 from Noon - 5:00 pm. THE MAD MARKET - The Mad Pride Toronto 2014 Organizing Committee is pleased to announce the return of the Mad Market and invites submissions that are consumer/survivor driven. If you would like to display/sell your art, crafts, buttons, t-shirts, knitting, zines, books, music, baked goods or promote your blog, website, group, network, idea, consider requesting a table at the Mad Market. Space is \$40 regular price, and \$20 subsidized. ***New location announced*** It will be at 246 Sackville Street, main floor. Set up will be at 11.30 am and take down at 5:00 pm. Stick around for the art show party at 5:30 pm.

Community Announcements

Resources/ Reports

Report of Client Discussions on Social Assistance Reform

I am pleased to advise you that the *Report of Client Discussions on Social Assistance Reform* is now available. This report was prepared by the session facilitator, Don Lenihan, Senior Associate at the Public Policy Forum. It summarizes what we heard from our clients at the sessions and describes key themes that emerged.

The summary report is available to the public on the Public Policy Forum's website:

<http://www.ppforum.ca/publications/may-6-2014-report-client-discussions-social-assistance-reform>.

Over a hundred current and former clients of both the Ontario Disability Support Program and Ontario Works took part in 11 discussion sessions across the province last year. The sessions were lively, wide-ranging and comprehensive, and helped us gain a wealth of information about the lived experience of those receiving social assistance and some of the areas in which we can improve services, supports and outcomes.

We will be sharing this report widely – both inside and outside of our ministry – so that others will be aware of the findings. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to improve employment outcomes for social assistance recipients in Ontario.

Thanks,
Patti Redmond
Director
Ontario Disability Support Program Branch
Ministry of Community & Social Services

Homelessness & Health in Canada

Edited by Manal Guirguis-Younger, Ryan McNeil & Stephen W. Hwang

Homelessness & Health in Canada explores, for the first time, the social, structural, and environmental factors that shape the health of homeless persons in Canada. Covering a wide range of topics from youth homelessness to end-of-life care, the authors strive to outline policy and practice recommendations to respond to the ongoing public health crisis.

This book is divided into three distinct but complimentary sections. In the first section, contributors explore how homelessness affects the health of particular homeless populations, focusing on the experiences of homeless youth, immigrants, refugees and people of Aboriginal ancestry. In the second section, contributors investigate how housing and public health policy as well as programmatic responses can address various health challenges, including severe mental illness and HIV/AIDS. In the final section, contributors highlight innovative Canadian interventions that have shown great promise in the field. Together, they form a comprehensive survey of an all too important topic and serve as a blueprint for action.

Read the book online for free here:

<http://homelesshub.ca/resource/homelessness-health-canada#sthash.4YeJFleA.dpuf>

CONSUMER/SURVIVORS COME SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON CAMH'S FUTURE BUILDINGS

The Empowerment Council invites you to a focus group with CAMH and architects on the next phase of redevelopment. **WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS** about space design and points to consider in program and space design.



TUESDAY, MAY 20th, 2014

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

1001 Queen Street W.

PLEASE RSVP so we can plan for TTC Reimbursement
416 535-8501 ext. 33013 or lucy.costa@camh.ca

SNACK and TTC PROVIDED

Running Free! Group



Running Free! Is a free weekly walking and running group. All CAMH clients, staff and volunteers are welcome, as well as family, friends and neighbours! We meet every Wednesday at the front doors of the Bell Gateway Building, 100 Stokes Street and leave promptly at 5:45 pm. April – October.

The group is open to those who walk, those who want to learn to run, as well as more intermediate runners. If you have any questions or would like to RSVP, please contact Andrea at: 416 535-8501 ext. 33074 or andrea.reynolds@camh.ca.

Remember to bring comfortable shoes and gym wear. We do have extra shoes and running gear, if needed. Changing areas, lockers and showers are available.

Suits Me Fine Fashion Show

Join the fashionistas from CAMH's Suits Me Fine free clothing program for a fashion extravaganza celebrating the 10 year anniversary of the show. Thursday, May 29th from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Gymnasium at the Bell Gateway Building, 100 Stokes Street. Music, refreshments, and of course, models and clothes.

Doors Open - CAMH Historic Patient Built Walls

Tours of the 19th century Patient Built Walls at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) will be held on Saturday, May 24 and Sunday May 25 as part of Doors Open Toronto. Everyone is welcome!

The purpose of the tour is to remember the unpaid labour and contributions of psychiatric patients at the former Asylum for the Insane, Toronto, as represented by the 19th century brick walls on the east, west and south sides of the present-day CAMH site.

Each tour leaves on the hour starting at 10 am, last tour leaves at 4 pm. Each tour starts by the wall at the southwest corner of Queen and Shaw Streets near the traffic lights.

See below for more details on the wall tour:

<http://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=c14df35f00f15410VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD&building=186D7776B9A5F89285257C7E007C5373>

CAMH Historic Patient Built Walls

Architecture & Design, Medical & Scientific Research Facility, Built in 1800s, Government / City-owned Building, 1001 Queen St W ([map](#)) 416 535-8501

Architecture

Year: 1860 and 1888-89 Style: Revival (1800-Early 1900), Commercial/Industrial

Original Architect: Kivas Tully

Building Description

In 1860, the southern section of the present CAMH historical wall was built by unpaid patient labourers at the then Provincial Lunatic Asylum, using a design from architect Kivas Tully. These brick barriers surrounded 50-acres of the asylum grounds but the east and west walls were torn down and re-built in 1888-89 when portions of land on these sides of the asylum were sold and the grounds were reduced to the present 26 acre site. In 2010 nine plaques were unveiled along the existing boundary walls to remember psychiatric patients' labour history on this site. Heritage Toronto awarded the Psychiatric Survivor Archives a 2011 Community Heritage Award for the creation of these plaques which remember "the significant contributions that a marginalized community has made to the City's fabric, shedding light on a little known dimension of Toronto's history".

Visitor Experience

Visitors will be taken on a guided tour of portions of the 1860 and 1888-89 walls during which the work and contributions of patients who lived and died behind this structure will be highlighted. This includes the oldest physical examples of psychiatric patients' labour from 19th century Ontario which are now 154-years old, etchings carved into these historical walls by asylum inmates, bricked in windows, an old railway track and archival photographs. The hour-long walking tours will depart on the hour starting from 10 am, with the last tour departing at 4 pm. All tours will start at the southwest corner of Queen Street West and Shaw Street.

Photography / Filming - Interior photography not permitted; Interior filming not permitted

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From the Income Security Advocacy Centre (ISAC):

Posted on Your Legal Rights by CLEO, Community Legal Education Ontario

May 5, 2014

Article Source

[Income Security Advocacy Centre \(ISAC\)](#)

We wanted to follow-up to our email last week about the 2014 Budget and its implications for people receiving social assistance.

That's because we got some emails asking when people would start to get the social assistance rate increases that were in the Budget.

In order for the Budget to pass, the government needed at least one of the two Opposition parties to support it. But both parties decided they would not support it.

On Friday afternoon, Premier Wynne went to the Lieutenant Governor and asked him to dissolve the legislature, which he has done. This means that there will be a provincial election on June 12.

It also means that items that were included in the 2014 Budget – including increases to rates and other social assistance changes – will not go ahead as announced. Whichever party wins the provincial election will form the new government. And that new government will have to introduce a new Budget.

We will have to wait to see what that new Budget will contain in order to know what will happen with social assistance rates and other important poverty-related issues.

ISAC is preparing materials to help people across the province determine where each of the parties and candidates stand on social assistance and poverty-related issues. We will circulate these materials as soon as they are ready.

For more details or to access the full article:

[Ontario Election June 12, 2014: What does it mean for social assistance?](#)

www.incomesecurity.org www.yourlegalrights.on.ca

WRAP News Wellness Recovery Action Plan

CRCT (Community Resource Connections of Toronto) will be holding a summer session of WRAP on Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, from June 10th to August 5th. Interested people must attend an information session on June 3rd at 1:00 pm at the CRCT office at 210 Dundas St West in the 4th floor, large boardroom. Please register for this information session no later than Friday, May 23rd by contacting Deqa Farah at 416 482-4103 ext. 223. Refreshments, tokens and the WRAP binder are provided for participants.

The Krasman Centre will hold training for people who have already completed WRAP 1 & 2 and who are interested in taking the FWRAP (Family Wellness Recovery Action Plan) facilitator training. It will be held on May 28th, 29th and June 3rd. For more info or to register, contact Susan Dobson or Florence Heung at 905 780-0491 or wraphub@krasmancentre.com. This training will take place at the Richmond Hill Public Library, 1 Atkinson Street, in Richmond Hill.

**Are you looking for a daytime opportunity
to learn and grow while spending time with other women?**

**Tuesdays, From MAY 20 to JULY 29, 2014
10:30 to 12:30 PM**

2446 DUFFERIN STREET (2½ blocks north of Eglinton Avenue West)

Building Connections: Friendship, Fun & Learning

We all feel a little lost or alone sometimes and need help to move forward.

Join **Building Connections** for opportunities to:

- ❖ Meet other women in a relaxed, welcome environment
- ❖ Get information and learn about resources available to you
- ❖ Take practical steps towards getting what you want and need

All women are welcome

Tuesday morning session from 10:30am to 12:30 pm
(Designed for women in their middle years or older)

THIS PROGRAM IS FREE

**Call 416-781-0479 for information or to register.
Do you need childminding or other accommodation?
Please talk to us if you need help attending**

Topics we will cover over the 10-week period include:

Network with the women in your Community
Exploring Friendship
Building Self-Esteem
Assertiveness Training
Coping with Stress
Understanding mental health
Healthy Eating and Diabetes Prevention
Building Healthy Relationship
A Day Out
Women Empowerment through Art and Painting

PLEASE CALL AND REGISTER TODAY!

Want more information on NYWC?



Visit us at www.nywc.org

*** Would you like us to offer the same program in the evening? Let us know ***

We gratefully acknowledge financial support from the Province of Ontario through the Ontario Women's Directorate and City of Toronto.

Employment & Training Matters



Mental Health Works Trainer/Program Manager

Mental Health Works (MHW) is a national initiative of the Canadian Mental Health Association, with head office at CMHA Ontario. CMHA is one of the oldest continuing nation-wide charitable health organizations in Canada. The program continues to develop and grow. It is currently operating nationally and available in both official languages.

Today the recognition and willingness to address issues related to workplace mental health is greater than ever. Mental Health Works is dedicated to advancing the field of workplace mental health through skills enhancement training, awareness education and stigma reduction efforts.

In this role you will be the lead trainer for the delivery of Mental Health Work products in Ontario. You will also develop strategies to promote our products to various audiences including through public speaking engagements and writing promotional material for publications. Also other responsibilities include updating training resource material and content on the website. As the lead for the Mental Health Works program you will be part of a National advisory committee comprised of CMHA workplace mental health experts that will develop a strategy to promote all of CMHA workplace mental health products and services across Canada.

We are seeking an experienced individual with proven excellence as a facilitative adult educator with superior presentation skills. The successful incumbent must demonstrate corporate business acumen. You must be able to quickly adapt to any new client environment with a strong background and professional interest in workplace culture, policy, organizational behavior, human rights, etc. You must demonstrate credibility as an expert in workplace issues with at least one area of proven expertise: interpersonal communication skill building in a workplace context; human rights in the workplace; accommodation and legal expertise; human resources and organizational behavior; corporate disability management.

We encourage applications from all individuals with relevant experience, including consumers and family members.

Please note: this full-time permanent position part of the OPSEU Bargaining Unit.

Salary range: \$66,250.77 - \$74,502.44

Please submit your resume to:
Director, Corporate Resources
Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario Division
180 Dundas Street West, Suite 2301
Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1Z8
Fax: 416 977-2813
Email: careers@ontario.cmha.ca

Closing date: May 23, 2014 by 4:00 pm

Things To Do...

Free and Low-Cost Events for May 16th – 31st, 2014

For TTC information call 416 393-4636 (INFO) or visit the TTC website.



Art Show & Sale

May 7th - May 18th (this event repeats). **Don Valley Art Club Spring Art Show & Sale:** Weekends: Noon - 5:00 pm, weekdays: Noon - 4:00 pm. The show features a variety of original artworks created in multiple mediums, reflecting a wide range of artistic styles. It is a great opportunity for Torontonians to see original art that is professionally displayed and "ready-to-hang" to enhance an office or home. For more info contact Todmorden staff by email: todmorden@toronto.ca, on the website: <http://www.donvalleyartclub.com> or by phone: 416 396-2819. Todmorden Mills Papermill Gallery, 67 Pottery Road. All Ages. Free

Concerts

Tuesday, May 20th to Thursday, May 29th from Noon - 1:00 pm (see below for dates). **Canadian Opera Company – Free Concert Series in the Richard Bradshaw Amphitheatre.** This Free Concert Series is a unique opportunity to experience diverse artistic programming in what has become one of Toronto's most exciting cultural hubs. All performances are free to the public, with admittance on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information please visit the COC website: www.coc.ca or call: 416 363-8231. All performances take place in the Richard Bradshaw Amphitheatre in the Four Seasons Centre For The Performing Arts, 145 Queen Street West. All Ages. **Free**

- Tuesday, May 20th Noon - 1:00 pm. **Vocal Series.** Artists of the COC Ensemble Studio: Les Adieux. **Free**
- Thursday, May 22nd from Noon - 1:00 pm. **Vocal Series.** Stephen R. Clarke, lecturer. Chaliapin: A Portrait in Recordings. **Free**
- Tuesday, May 27th from Noon - 1:00 pm. **World Music Series.** Donné Roberts Band: Internation. **Free**
- Thursday, May 29th from Noon - 1:00 pm. **Chamber Music Series.** Toronto Summer Music Festival: 2014 Festival Preview. **Free**

Sunday, May 25th from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm. **Sunday Serenades at Scarborough Civic Centre.** Sentimental Swing Band. 150 Borough Drive. **Free**

Dance

Saturday, May 17th from 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm (this event repeats). **Saturday Night Dance.** Everyone welcome. For more info phone: 416 267-6621. Birkdale Community Centre, 1299 Ellesmere Road. All Ages. **\$6**

Dog Lovers

May 24th and May 25th from 10:00 am - 6:00 pm. **Woofstock** is the largest outdoor festival for dogs in all of North America. Eleven years ago Woofstock, a one-of-a-kind festival for dogs and their owners, launched in the Distillery District, later moving to The Historic St. Lawrence Market Neighbourhood. This spring Woofstock is expanding again. Woodbine Park in The Beaches will be the new home of Toronto's most loved spring event. A festive tour de force, Woofstock draws tens of thousands of dogs in the know, their faithful humans in tow, from across the country and from the U.S to indulge in a weekend of doggie food, fashion and fun. For more info email: info@woofstock.ca or phone: 416 234-WOOF (9663). Woodbine Park, Lakeshore Boulevard East and Coxwell Avenue. **Free Admission & Bring Your Dog**

Saturday, May 31st from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Slobberfest. For beach dog lovers and your canine friends. Pack parade, vendors, canine contests and awards, including best costume, eating contest, best tricks and softest & roughest coat. For more info visit: www.centre55.com. Leuty Pavilion, in the boathouse, at the foot of Lee Avenue. 416 691-1113. **Free**



Doors Open Toronto

Saturday, May 24th and Sunday May 25th. The **15th Annual Doors Open Toronto** is a city-wide celebration offering free, rare access to more than 155 architecturally, historically, culturally and socially significant buildings across Toronto. This year's theme is Secrets and Spirits... Exploring the Mysteries Behind the Door. Close to 80 locations feature secret spaces and unexplained mysteries. Look for the mysterious keyhole icon while browsing the list of [participating buildings](#) or [walking tours](#) online at www.toronto.ca/doorsopen. Doors Open is produced by the City of Toronto in partnership with the broader community. For a complete list of events, buildings, and event map visit: www.toronto.ca/doorsopen. All over Toronto. All Ages. **Free**

Sunday, May 25th from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. **Sunday at the Tollkeeper's Cottage Museum.** An extra day to see the cottage, not usually open on Sunday, to honour Doors Open Toronto. We aren't a part of the event this year but want to tell you about our ghost as well! Museum tours with Docents in period dress, circa 1860, reflecting the lives of ordinary people in early Toronto. For more info email: tollkeeperscottage@gmail.com. Tollkeeper's Cottage Museum, 750 Davenport Road. All Ages. **Donations welcome**

East York Farmers' Market

Tuesday, May 20th from 8:00 am - 2:00 pm (this event repeats). **East York Farmers' Market.** Contact: Ruth Abbott Email: rabbott@sympatico.ca Phone: 416 429-9684. East York Civic Centre, 850 Coxwell Avenue. All Ages. **Free**

English Conversation Circle

Monday, May 26th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (this event repeats). **Let's Talk: English Conversation Circle.** This program was developed to assist newcomers and interested library patrons (regardless of status and number of years in the country) to practice English and gain confidence in speaking with anyone. Participants will enjoy an informal conversation as well as an opportunity to socialize, meet new friends and network. For more info contact Celia Cruz at: ccruz@ciclsp.ca or call: 647 404-5662. Toronto Public Library, Eatonville Branch, 430 Burnhamthorpe Road. All Ages. **Free**

Gangways Open on Toronto's Waterfront

Saturday, May 24th and Sunday, May 25th from 10:00 am - 5:00 pm. Take a **guided tour of 13 of the most Distinctive Ships along the Waterfront.** During Gangways Open on Toronto's Waterfront 13 participating ships will open their doors (and their gangways!) for free public dockside tours presented by The Waterfront BIA as part of the 15th annual Doors Open Toronto. For more info visit: www.waterfrontbia.com or by email: info@waterfrontbia.com or by phone: 416 596-9821. Toronto Waterfront, 207 Queens Quay W. All Ages. **Free**

Gardening

Tuesday, May 20th from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm. **Low Maintenance Gardening.** Toronto Master Gardeners presents a program on low-fuss gardening covering easy-care plants, groundcovers, garden pests, fertilizing, watering and more. For more info phone: 416 396-3975. Toronto Public Library, S. Walter Stewart Branch, 170 Memorial Park Drive. All Ages. **Free**

High Park's Cherry Blossoms

High Park Cherry Blossoms. Due to our cold long winter the last time we checked the blossoms weren't in bloom just yet. But this nifty website will let you know just the right time to visit High Park to catch a glimpse of these pretty blooms: <http://www.highparktoronto.com/cherry-trees.php>. We're hoping they'll be out by the end of May. **Free**

Plant Sale

Saturday, May 17th from 9:00 am - 11:30 am. **Beach Garden Society Plant Sale.** "The Best Plant Sale Around". A vast variety of locally grown perennials, including some from our members' gardens. Plants for sun, shade, ferns, grasses, native plants. And featuring a new "Beach Babies" collection of specially selected plant combos that look great together, perform well in Toronto gardens, and are easy to grow. Come early - the plants sell out quickly. For more info contact Ursula Eley by phone: 416 699-4353. Beach Garden Society, Adam Beck Community Centre, 79 Lawlor Avenue. **Free Admission**



Saturday, May 17th from 9:00 am – Noon. **Plant Sale.** Roselands Horticultural Society's annual plant sale will take place in the northwest quadrant of Eglinton Flats (enter off Emmett Avenue). Lots of perennials from members' gardens, as well as commercially grown annuals, herbs and vegetables. Arrive at 9 for best selection! Rain or shine. Contact: Email: roselandshs@gmail.com. Eglinton Flats Park 3601 Eglinton Ave W. Adults. **Free Admission**

Small Business

Wednesday, May 21st from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. **Small Business Network.** Come meet Satish Kanwar, Director at Shopify. Satish will share his personal journey being a first-time entrepreneur. From start-up to sale of his design consulting business, he will discuss his major influences, key challenges, and critical points in his business that helped it succeed. For info: 416 395-5613 North York Central Library, 5120 Yonge St. **Free**

Tatting Drop-In

Saturday, May 24th from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm (this event repeats). **Tatting Drop-In.** Tatting is the art of making lace by knotting thread. It can be used to create jewelry, decorations, edgings, bookmarks ... and so much more! Everyone is welcome - whether new to tatting or more experienced. For info: www.FringeTatters.ca or FringeTatters@gmail.com. Toronto Public Library, Long Branch, 3500 Lakeshore Blvd. West. **Free**



Victoria Day Fireworks

Victoria Day, Monday May 19th at 9:45 pm. **Fireworks at Ashbridges Bay Park.** Toronto's only Victoria Day fireworks show will be a spectacular 14 minute display at Ashbridges Bay Park, rain or shine. TTC service will be increased between Queen Street East and the Bloor-Danforth subway on the Coxwell (22A), Main (64) and Woodbine South (92A). It is recommended that members of the public use the TTC and leave their cars at home. A special viewing area with limited space is set aside to accommodate people with disabilities and their families. City bylaws prohibit the public from setting off personal fireworks in the park. For more info visit: www.toronto.ca. Ashbridges Bay Park at Coxwell Ave. and the Lakeshore. **Free**

Writers' Group

Wednesday, May 28th from 7:00 pm - 9:45 pm. **East End Writers' Group.** The East End Writers' Group welcomes new and experienced writers. - Read your fiction, poetry, non-fiction and drama (about six pages double-spaced, bring extra copies). Receive and give constructive criticism - Workshops led by professional writers - Market Information Exchange - Networking Break with Snacks. The group is led by editor and author Sharon Crawford. Please call: 416 396-3975 for info, or email Sharon Crawford at: words@samcraw.com. S. Walter Stewart Library, 170 Memorial Park Drive. Adults. **Free**