



Communities 4 Families Membership Form

Communities 4 Families encourages the promotion of healthy child and youth development by enhancing family and community capacity.

This vision is illustrated by through four primary activities:

- **Positive Parenting** - activities to support/enhance parent's ability to nurture the healthy development of their children
- **Nutrition and Physical Health** - activities to promote good nutrition and healthy lifestyles through education, community supports, recreation and skills training
- **Learning and Literacy** - activities to support the learning success of children through improved family literacy and numeracy
- **Community Capacity-Building** - activities to support community capacity through leadership opportunities, volunteering and community service, community economic development, and civic engagement.

We have been working towards this vision since 2002.

Membership Criteria

Communities 4 Families is made up of representatives from Downtown agencies, organizations, and community members. The Coalition relies on these members to help set priorities for the Coalition and share information from their expertise in the downtown, as well as to facilitate the use of Healthy Child Manitoba funding for the Downtown Community,

The roles of members are as follows:

- Members will participate in discussion and decision making regarding programming and funding. Members will help identify and determine the priority needs of the community.
- Members will promote Coalition projects in the community. Members will work towards increasing the awareness of the Coalition and its purpose among Downtown residents, services, and businesses.
- Members will share their knowledge of the community and will act as a resource for the Coalition. **The primary role of agency members is to bring resources from their agency to support the Coalition and community, not to have agencies supported by the Coalition.**

Members are encouraged to attend meetings regularly and keep up with meeting minutes to ensure that continuous progress is made at each meeting.

Members are encouraged to sit on working committees, work on projects, and/or to participate in events outside of monthly Coalition meetings.

To become a member of Communities 4 Families you must meet one of the following criteria:

- Work in a Downtown agency serving Downtown Families and children or
- Be a community member living in the Downtown of Winnipeg

Membership applications are welcome throughout the year.

Each organization is entitled to one membership vote.

Current committees include:

- **Literacy Committee:** Encourages Family Literacy initiatives in Downtown Winnipeg, including celebrating Family Literacy Day.
- **Communications Committee:** maintains an Inventory of Downtown Resources on a website which is available to assist parents and service providers in Downtown Winnipeg, as well as producing a quarterly newsletter around parenting issues.
- **Resources Committee:** oversees Wiggle, Giggle & Munch program, training and outreach as well as other parenting and parent-child programs, some of which are developed by C4F committees.

Membership Application

Name:

Organization:

Position:

Email:

Mailing Address:

Postal Code:

Phone:

Fax:

Website:

Executive Director/Equivalent:

Email:

I am interested in becoming part of the following committee:

Please put me on the C4F email list (including meeting reminders and minutes, notices from Healthy Child MB, and other items of interest to agencies working with families)

Yes

No thanks

I have read the Membership Package and agree to the expectations set forth.

Signature: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

RESOURCE INVENTORY INFORMATION (please complete the following agency information for us to include in our on-line Parent-Child Resource Inventory).

Agency Name: Phone Number:

Contact Person: Email:

Brief Agency Description:

Website:

Address:

Community (see downtown area map):

SERVICES AND PROGRAMS OFFERED: Please check up to 3 of the categories that describe the kind of programming you provide. If more than 3 would fit, please choose the 3 most important to your organization. (Optional: Provide a description of your programs in those categories.)

- Aboriginal Families
- Active Living
- Child Care
- Community Programs
- Families New to Canada
- Family Counselling
- Family Literacy
- Nutrition
- Parent-Child Programs
- Parenting Programs
- Pre-Post Natal Counselling

Additional Notes (access criteria, target population, cost, referral required, membership fee, etc.):

Please complete this form & return to:

Communities 4 Families
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or fax to 204. 487.3630
email: info@communities4families.ca

Office use only: Date of Membership: _____ (mm/dd/yy)