



Greetings:

The Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA), Nova Scotia Division is excited to host the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention 2010 Conference. The event will take place at Alderney Landing Cultural Centre on the Dartmouth waterfront in Nova Scotia from October 4 – 7, 2010. Two preconferences, one designed particularly for youth and the other for survivors of suicide, will take place on October 5TH.

The conference theme is *Communities Addressing Suicide Together*. CMHA-NS with the assistance of a dedicated group of volunteers will be hosting the 2010 conference. The purpose of the conference is to bring together communities, survivors of suicide, community-based workers and practitioners to explore innovative community, clinical and research practices in suicide prevention, intervention and postvention. We want to rekindle the commitment and dedication to addressing suicide in communities across Canada.

As a not-for profit organization on a tight budget we need your help in making this event happen. We are seeking small gifts to go toward the creation of delegate packages, the presentation of gifts to presenters or as an item for auction during the conference gala evening with proceeds going to the Canadian Association for Suicide Prevention.

As conference organizers we have committed to showcasing the creativity, talent, and hard work of Nova Scotians. All of our presenter gifts will be locally made and/or created. We would like to include samples of Nova Scotia products in delegate packages. And our silent auction also gives us an excellent opportunity to highlight the many and varied talents of Nova Scotians.

Please review the attached Sponsorship Package for more information on specific needs for small gifts for the conference. If your organization is interested in supporting the Communities Addressing Suicide Together conference through a venue that is not listed above please contact Michelle or Angela. We would be happy to discuss alternative opportunities.

Sincerely,

Angela Davis
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