



PARKS AND RECREATION ONTARIO

# THE AFFORDABLE ACCESS ACTION PLAN

MAKING AFFORDABLE ACCESS TO RECREATION A REALITY IN YOUR COMMUNITY

**Wednesday, April 21, 2010 • North Bay**

**9:00 am - 12:30 pm**

**Sam Jacks (West Ferris) Arena**

## **ABOUT THE WORKSHOP:**

Ontario municipalities, community-based organizations, sports and cultural groups are well-versed in the benefits that participation in recreational activities affords. Media stories and documented research speak to personal health benefits realized, the reduction of isolation felt by marginalized groups and the development of positive life skills, such as teamwork and leadership, which are transferable to work, home and community settings.

Still, many Ontarians are unable to access recreation in their community. The Ontario Task Group on Affordable Access to Recreation has invested three years in researching the best ways to remove barriers to participation. It has created a Provincial Framework for Affordable Access to Recreation. A key result of this work has been the creation of this hands-on workshop designed to help your community make affordable access a reality for all.

In this workshop you will go through a facilitated process to assist your municipality or not-for-profit group in developing an action plan which will pave the way to affordable access. Learn the key questions that need to be considered as you create the framework for your Affordable Access Policy, and hear about potential roadblocks to policy development and how you can effectively address them. Finally, this workshop will provide you with the opportunity to meet others in your community who are also working on this issue. Here is your chance to share information and ideas and to create your own local network supporting the concept of access for all.

## **ABOUT THE FACILITATOR:**

Sue Peterson is a Principal with PK Associates, a consulting firm with a mission of empowering groups and individuals. She has over 20 years experience in recreation at the municipal level and has been an instructor in the Conestoga College Recreation and Leisure Services Program for over a decade. In addition to authoring the Municipal Volunteer Toolkit and conducting a series of workshops around Ontario on that resource, Sue has worked with local communities and agencies in addressing a variety of organization and developmental issues. A skilled facilitator, Sue will help you get headed in the right direction in the development of your Affordable Access Policy.

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**Deadline for Registration:**

**April 16th, 2010**

Send your registration to:

Parks and Recreation Ontario  
1 Concorde Gate  
Suite 302  
Toronto, ON M3C 3N6  
Tel 416.426.7142  
Fax 416.426.7371  
Email: [pro@prontario.org](mailto:pro@prontario.org)

Additional forms can be downloaded from the PRO website at [www.prontario.org](http://www.prontario.org)

## Registration Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Gender  M  F

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### PAYMENT INFORMATION

\$39.99 plus GST = \$41.99 per person  
(Fee includes break and workshop materials)

Do you have any special needs?  YES  NO

If YES, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you do not wish to receive further notices about professional education and development events and/or information circulars on new resources.

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

Payment Address:  Same as above (if not please fill out the required fields below)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque Enclosed (payable to Parks and Recreation Ontario)

Visa  MC Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Expires \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Cardholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

To reserve your space, you must include a credit card number unless a cheque accompanies your registration form. A cancellation fee of 20% will be applied to all cancellations. Cancellations made after April 16th, 2010 are non-refundable. All requests for cancellations must be submitted in writing.

#### Access to Recreation Task Group:

Association of Municipalities of Ontario, Canadian Tire Jumpstart, Canadian Parks and Recreation Association, Hamilton Roundtable for Poverty Reduction, Ministry of Health Promotion, Ontario Municipal Social Services Association, Ontario Public Health Association, Parks and Recreation Ontario, In Association With: The Heart and Stroke Foundation, City of Mississauga, City of Toronto, Peel Region and the YMCA