



United Way
of Peel Region

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United Way offers *Youth in Action* grants

MISSISSAUGA (July 22, 2009)— Youth in Peel with great ideas for improving our community can now apply for funding to help put their ideas into action. United Way of Peel Region's new Youth in Action grants provide up to \$2,000 each for youth-led projects. Individuals or groups of young people between the ages of 14 and 24 are encouraged to apply. There is a total of \$10,000 in funding available.

"Youth in Action grants demonstrate United Way's commitment to partnering with the young people in our community to inspire lasting, positive change in Peel neighbourhoods," says United Way Volunteer and Youth Engagement Associate, Nicole Dupuis. "Through working with young people today, we help build strong leaders of tomorrow."

To receive a grant, applicants must work with an eligible community sponsor. The sponsor must be a registered charity based in or operating in Peel. Examples of potential community sponsors include non-profit organizations and schools.

Projects eligible for funding include youth-led and organized community events that bring residents together, and workshops, day camps and retreats to educate youth or develop leadership skills. All projects should have a positive impact on local residents and neighbourhoods, improving the quality of community life.

To learn more about Youth in Action grants, come to an information session on September 2 from 6 to 7 p.m. at United Way of Peel Region, 5170 Dixie Road, Suite 300, Mississauga.

The deadline for all applications is **Wednesday September 30, 2009 at 4:00 pm.**

To reserve your space at the information session, obtain funding guidelines, or to receive an application package, contact Nicole Dupuis at 905-602-3622 or ndupuis@unitedwaypeel.org.

United Way of Peel Region was established in 1967 and serves the communities of Brampton, Caledon and Mississauga. The mission of United Way of Peel Region is to engage with our community, through partnerships, to ensure people are cared for, connected and included.

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