



## STAFF REPORT ACTION REQUIRED

### 2009 Volunteer Youth Summit

<b>Date:</b>	January 7, 2009
<b>To:</b>	Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services
<b>From:</b>	General Manager, Long-Term Care Homes and Services
<b>Wards:</b>	All
<b>Reference Number:</b>	

### SUMMARY

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Youth are an important part of the volunteer team within Long-Term Care Homes and Services. At present, one in four of our active volunteers are under the age of 18 years.

Community involvement is a high school requirement and volunteering with Toronto Long-Term Care Homes and Services is a rewarding way for students to earn community service hours. We encourage young people to give their time and talents and will hold the second annual Volunteer Youth Summit on Friday, February 13, 2009.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

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The General Manager recommends that the Advisory Committee on Long-Term Care Homes and Services endorse the request for up to \$500.00 expenditure from the General Donation Account to provide refreshments to the participants and an honourarium to the Volunteer Toronto presenter.

#### Financial Impact

There are no financial implications to the operating budget arising from this report.

### ISSUE BACKGROUND

The second annual Volunteer Youth Summit will be an opportunity for youth volunteers to get together with their peers, to share ideas and to develop program and activity ideas specific to them and their service to residents in the homes.

In addition, a guest from Volunteer Toronto will facilitate an ice-breaker activity and give a brief presentation on trends in volunteering and how youth volunteers are changing our City and the world around us.

## **COMMENTS**

Friday, February 13<sup>th</sup> is a professional development day for both the Toronto District School Board and the Toronto Catholic District School Board; this year's summit will take place at City Hall.

Representatives from all ten homes are being encouraged to attend and participate. We expect to have thirty (30) attendees.

There are sufficient funds in the General Donation Account, \$14,909.27, to cover this request.

The Volunteer Youth Summit supports the direct divisional work underway and complements the Mayor's initiatives to expand opportunities for Toronto's youth.

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## **SIGNATURE**

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