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Community Thanks

Thanks to Mark at the
Village Green Tenants
Association for
organizing a fundraising
rummage and bake sale
for PWA this past
weekend in the
Courtyard on Alexander
Street.

If you are interested in
organizing a fundraiser

Dear Friends, Supporters and Community Partners,

Thank you for giving PWA the means to serve people living with HIV/AIDS in Toronto. We could not do it without YOU.

Happy Pride from PWA. 25 years of serving the community, 25 years of struggle against HIV/AIDS, 25 years of creating possibilities for people living with HIV/AIDS.

Your story is our history.

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Join us for these Anniversary events:

June 04
Anniversary Launch Event

July 01
Pride Parade Float

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Movie Night

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Speakers Series

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TORONTO PRIDE - June 22nd - July 1st

PWA is very excited for Pride, as we always are, to show our commitment to the LGBT community and join in the celebration of summer in Toronto and educating the community about PWA's work for people living with HIV/AIDS. BUT we are PARTICULARLY EXCITED this year because this year we are acknowledging our 25 years of serving the community.

for PWA, please contact us for resources: donate@pwatoronto.org or 416-506-1400 ext. 239.

[Tighty Whitey Car Wash](#)
[Sunday July 15th](#)
[Church Street - mark your calendars](#)

Steamworks is again teaming up with local businesses to support PWA in a summer car wash fundraiser.

Donations of \$30 are eligible for a \$20 tax receipt. Hope to see you out in your car, scooter or bike!

Guys and gals, if you are interested in volunteering as a car washer, please email donate@pwatoronto.org

PWA will be participating in the July 1st Pride parade and will have a community booth for the Saturday/Sunday, June 30th and July 1st. Please consider this your formal invitation to join us for the parade in PWA's contingent! Your walk down the parade route will be accompanied by party music and you will be joined by PWA staff and board members.

Please contact Tom if you would like more information on participating in PWA's parade entry (we would love to have you along)!!! develop1@pwatoronto.org or 416-506-1400 ext. 255

Adventure of a LIFETIME - Raffle Tickets

For a chance to win one of two trips for two from OUT Adventures and Intrepid Travel and support PWA through the Friends For Life Bike Rally, purchase your TRIP OF A LIFETIME raffle ticket today. Imagine yourself in far flung

Morocco, remote Italy or high up in Nepal!

Purchase your ticket before they sell out, call Mila at 416-506-1400 ext. 256 or communicate@pwatoronto.org.

Tickets are \$20 each. Fine print - Tickets can be sold to individuals 18 years of age or older who reside in Ontario.

If you know a Rider or Crew participant in this year's 2012 Bike Rally, ask them to collect raffle tickets from PWA, and your raffle ticket purchase will go towards THEIR personal fundraising!

PLEASE NOTE:

Raffle tickets are not subject to tax receipts. Trips are valued at a maximum of \$5,000 CAD each.

Murray Speaks to Underwriters



PWA's Executive Director Murray Jose had this to say about speaking at a panel discussion (with ACT) at the Canadian Institute of Underwriters' Annual General Meeting.

'It was an amazing opportunity to speak to and challenge the Canadian Institute of Underwriters (Insurance folks) to develop a graduated approval scale similar to what has been developed for other illnesses/conditions and to what has been developed in several other countries rather than the current practice of automatically denying insurance to any person living with HIV/AIDS.'

Thank you for the Canadian Institute of Underwriters for inviting Murray to speak as well as for a generous donation.

Announcing the Good Food Box

PWA's Essentials Market is pleased to announce the introduction of the Good Food Box from Food Share, a non-profit agency working to improve access to affordable and healthy food from field to table.

What is the Good Food Box?

The Good Food Box is a fee for service from Food Share. Food Share "buy[s] top

quality fresh fruit and vegetables directly from farmers and from the Ontario Food Terminal, and volunteers pack it into green reusable boxes at [their] Field to Table warehouse. Volunteer co-ordinators [or agencies like PWA] collect money for the boxes in advance of delivery, then make sure that everyone gets their box after it arrives. [Food Share] delivers to daycares, apartment buildings, churches- anywhere there are 8-10 people who want to buy a box" (<http://www.foodshare.net/goodfoodbox01.htm>).

Why is PWA Offering the Good Food Box?

PWA decided to introduce the Good Food Box to help fulfill two of our strategic directions - to be a creative connector and health and wellbeing champion for people living with HIV/AIDS (PHAs). Offering the Good Food Box at PWA will connect PHAs to healthier, more affordable food which in turn will create more opportunities to improve health and wellbeing. To increase accessibility, PWA will be providing a \$5 subsidy towards the cost of the Good Food Box for PWA clients (subject to budget availability).

ABOUT PWA

Mission - We engage people living with HIV/AIDS in enhancing their health and well-being through practical and therapeutic support services and broader social change, and we inspire them to live into their dreams and discoveries.

Vision - We live in affirming, sustaining communities where we find inspiration and support for our dreams, health, well-being and meaningful contributions.

These are based on our foundation philosophy, which resonates more than ever and remains unchanged:

People living with HIV/AIDS play a crucial role in the governance and operation of the Toronto People With AIDS Foundation, but, most importantly, are its heart and soul. Although PWA seeks supportive partnerships in support of fulfilling its Mission, its response to HIV/AIDS is, more than anything else, inspired by the voices and experience of people living with HIV/AIDS.

Thank you for your support and interest in Toronto People With AIDS Foundation's work.

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