

September 16, 2013

TO: ALL CLC AFFILIATES (Pacific Region)

RE: COMMUNITY SAVINGS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR THE CLC PACIFIC REGION WINTER SCHOOL

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

Community Savings Credit Union has established two continuing scholarships to assist union members in attending the **Canadian Labour Congress Harrison Winter School** each year. I am pleased to solicit applications from BC CLC Affiliates for two deserving members in the following fields of study:

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| <b>1. Women in Leadership - Level 1</b>                             | <b>Jan 19 – Jan 24, 2014</b> |
| <b>2. Building a Diverse &amp; Representative Labour Leadership</b> | <b>Jan 26 – Jan 31, 2014</b> |

The scholarship will cover the costs of tuition, single accommodation and meals for each one-week course.

To apply for one of these scholarships applicants must:

- Be a member of a union, lodge or chapel affiliated to the Canadian Labour Congress
- Be endorsed and recommended by their union
- Submit the attached form
- Write a brief letter outlining their union activities and describe what they hope to learn from this area of interest and how it will assist them in their union work or in the broader labour movement

Applications should be submitted to:

**Community Savings Union Development**  
**5108 Joyce Street**  
**Vancouver, BC V5R 4H1**  
OR [union@comsavings.com](mailto:union@comsavings.com)

Applications must be received in our office no later than December 18, 2013.

All applicants will be evaluated and the Scholarships awarded by December 20, 2013. Please include all phone numbers so that you can be notified quickly of the decision.

In solidarity,



Marie Decaire  
Union Liaison Officer  
604-637-5015 Encl: 2

## **COMMUNITY SAVINGS CLC PACIFIC REGION WINTER SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS**

In 1944 Community Savings was founded as the IWA Credit Union. Although our financial co-operative has grown over the years to include members from all of BC's unions - one thing has stayed the same; we remain "The Unions' Credit Union".

For many years Community Savings has participated in the CLC Winter School at Harrison Hot Springs. As a result of a visit to our trade show booth many alumni sport a Community Savings piggy bank in their home or workplace. However, in 2010 we paused to consider whether this annual exercise was particularly meaningful. We wondered whether this expenditure could be put to better purpose.

Community Savings operates on a number of core values; one of which is our belief that union membership not only improves the safety, earning power and future security of Canada's workers, but it enhances our communities as well. We believe a thriving labour movement benefits all facets of daily life; from the public services our tax dollars pay for to the increased purchasing power a union paycheque brings to the private sector.

We also know that the most effective unions are those whose members are empowered with a collective understanding of their purpose and the skills necessary to achieve their goals. It is with this in mind that we settled on the idea of direct support for the work of the Canadian Labour Congress in labour education.

The result was the establishment of two continuing CLC Pacific Region Winter School Scholarships. It was also decided that the course topics could change from year to year, depending on the emerging needs of the labour movement .

We offer these scholarships in the spirit of those union workers who were our Community Savings founders; visionaries who brought their values from the shop floor to the financial sector, where many had been unfairly denied support for their modest dreams before.

It is our hope that these scholarships shall help bring enhanced understanding, a sense of purpose and practical skills to the members of CLC affiliate unions throughout the Province of British Columbia.

**COMMUNITY SAVINGS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CLC WINTER SCHOOL  
Women in Leadership - Level 1 & Building a Diverse and Representative Leadership**

Brother  Sister

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Surname: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Telephone (Home): \_\_\_\_\_ (Work): \_\_\_\_\_ (Union): \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliate Union: \_\_\_\_\_ Local: \_\_\_\_\_

**COURSE:** (Please register me for the following – ONE only please)

Women in Leadership - Level 1 # \_\_\_\_\_ Jan 19 – Jan 24, 2014  
(Course Number)

Building a Diverse & Representative Labour Leadership # \_\_\_\_\_ Jan 26 - Jan 31, 2014  
(Course Number)

**ACCOMMODATION:** SINGLE  SPOUSE

**DOES THE APPLICANT HAVE ANY SPECIAL NEEDS?**  Yes  No  
IF YES, please contact the CLC Office at 604-430-6766.

IF YES, please indicate \_\_\_\_\_

**WILL YOU REQUIRE CHILDMINDING?** Yes  No

IF YES, please indicate child's age: \_\_\_\_\_

**SIGNATURE & POSITION OF UNION OFFICER** \_\_\_\_\_

Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Notes:**

- Candidates must be members of a CLC affiliate.
- Applications must be received at Community Savings no later than December 18, 2013.
- The applicant's union will be advised of the successful candidate following the decision on December 20, 2013

Privacy Statement: The personal information provided in this registration form will only be used for the purposes of session registration and will not be sold, shared or otherwise provided to any third party other than the Canadian Labour Congress. Community Savings may use the contact information that you have provided to contact you, or provide you with additional information in the future.