

The Daily News Christmas Cheer Fund made its debut during the 2002 festive season. Its purpose is to accept donations from readers and to pass those donations along to area charities.

Since the fund's inception, the publisher has provided space within the newspaper for stories based on the Christmas Cheer Fund. The Daily News also covers all administrative costs associated with the fund, which means every cent that is donated gets passed along to the selected charities.

Area charities are welcome to apply annually for consideration as one of the charities that will benefit from The Daily News Christmas Cheer Fund. The recipients will be chosen annually by a committee that has been struck by The Daily News.

The committee will begin accepting applications annually on July 1, with an application deadline of Sept. 30. The committee won't be limited in the number of charities it may select. The selected charities will share equally in the donations. The names of the charities selected as beneficiaries will be announced in November.

ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered as a recipient of The Daily News Christmas Cheer Fund, a charity must be registered and it must be located within the circulation area of the Kamloops Daily News.

TO APPLY:

Write a letter on the registered charity's letterhead briefly summing up the objectives of your charity and what it would mean should your organization be selected as a beneficiary of The Daily News Christmas Cheer Fund. (Charities are advised that they will be responsible for the issuing of tax receipts to donors requesting them.)

SELECTION COMMITTEE:

The Daily News Christmas Cheer Fund selection committee comprises Gregg Drinnan, sports editor, Scott Huyghebaert of the Kamloops law firm Morelli LLP, Tim Shoults, the publisher of The Daily News, Jo-Ann Lovesy of The Daily News' finance department, Larry Read, the sports information officer at Thompson Rivers University and Dean Nicholson of Investors Group Financial Services Inc.

Letters of application should be . . .

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