

Crossbow Point launches "Neighbourly Friends" program -- Volunteers Needed

All of us continue to be impacted by the constant barrage of news updates, conferences and releases that provide us with the ever changing and more stringent directives from various levels of government concerning COVID-19.

There are many people returning from abroad, the U.S. or elsewhere within the next few days as the Federal Government has called upon all Canadians to come home. Individuals returning to Canada are expected to practice self-quarantine for 14 days. In the case of Crossbow Point residents, these individuals will also need assistance obtaining various provisions. While some of our returning residents will be reaching out to local friends for assistance, others may not know who to contact or not feel comfortable asking for assistance. With this in mind, a resident contacted us and the idea of a Neighbourly Friends Program is being initiated at Crossbow Point.

In addition, the same level of assistance would be accorded any others who are feeling ill or exhibiting any symptoms such as those associated with the common cold. There is hypersensitivity within the general public for anyone with a cough or a sneeze, so it is considered best practice to isolate oneself under such circumstances.

HOW THIS WOULD WORK

Co-ordinator: Susan Minifie and Dale McIntosh have volunteered to be joint **Co-ordinators** for the program, and will match those in need with a Neighbourly Friend.

- **To Volunteer as a Neighbourly Friend:** If you are interested in helping out as a Neighbourly Friend, just send an email, along with your phone number, to the Co-ordinator
- **To receive assistance (USER):** Just send an email to the Co-ordinator

The Co-ordinator will match USERS with Volunteers, and provide contact information.

- To maintain 'social distance', payment for supplies is likely best made by the USER to the Neighbourly Friend through personal eTransfer, rather than a cheque or money exchanging hands
- Items dropped off will likely utilize a plastic bag to avoid contamination issues; the bag can be disposed of along with other garbage

We are hopeful that this Neighbourly Friends program is of assistance to our residents, and we thank all forthcoming volunteers for being willing to help your Crossbow Point neighbours as may be needed.

Each of us is responsible to ensure our own health, and that of our friends and acquaintances, to the best of our ability. Based on current guidance, it seems that the next 8 – 10 weeks will be critical for Canada, and Crossbow Point will continue to do its part to comply with any guidance.

If you have any concerns regarding a Crossbow Point matter, contact us at crossbowpoint@gmail.com (include your full name, unit number, email and phone); or utilize the Contact Us tab at our website <https://www.crossbowpoint.com/> We will do our best to respond in a timely manner.

Thank you for reading this communication, and for considering participating

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