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## **Opportunity for Sponsorship and Partnership**

### **“Empowering Family Health” Project: Inventory of Local People, Organisations, Events and Facilities that support local food production and preservation**

*Growing North Cariboo Society* is excited to announce that the project “Empowering Family Health” is well underway. The project itself is being managed by the Partners for Healthier Communities: North Cariboo / P4HC:NC and is composed of multiple components and involves many community based partners. The project is funded primarily by Northern Health.

One component of the project is the development of a Resource Inventory that residents, organizations, and agencies can access that will have a focus on local food production, food security, and agricultural initiatives. The intent is that this Inventory highlight local people, organizations, and events that support and showcase local food production and food preservation and facilities which have a kitchen that can be accessed by community to do food processing and preservation. This will be available online and as hard copy. Following the creation of the Inventory, five workshops, with a focus on food production and / or food preservation will be held in five rural communities (e.g. Bouchie Lake, Wells, Kersley, Ten Mile Lake).

To truly make this project collaborative, representative of the North Cariboo community and ultimately a success, there is an opportunity for groups such as yourselves to get involved in this worthwhile project. All sponsors will be viewed as partners in the project and their support will be listed online and in print material. Financial and / or in-kind support are needed in the following categories:

**Administrative: photocopying, printing, design, etc.**

**Promotional: vendor space, design, marketing materials, mail outs, etc.**

**Facility Access: for workshops**

**Country Kids Club: seeds, gardening supplies, tools, plants, etc.**

The P4HC: North Cariboo is a stakeholder committee with representatives from a wide range of North Cariboo based agencies and organizations. Co-Chaired by Cariboo Regional District Director Robin Sharpe, Mayor of Wells and Lynette Winsor, Environmental Health Officer with Northern Health, its 2014 establishment was led by the *Growing North Cariboo Society* / GNC. Its mandate is to support programs and develop strategies that promote healthy eating, local food security and physical activity. Much of its focus is on collaboration and partnerships as can be seen from its Terms of Reference and diverse membership.

For additional information on how to be a “partner”, the project and its partners, please contact Heloise Dixon-Warren, 250.249.5329 / [empoweringfamilyhealth@gmail.com](mailto:empoweringfamilyhealth@gmail.com) or check out the “Empowering Family Health” weblog [empoweringfamilyhealth.blogspot.com](http://empoweringfamilyhealth.blogspot.com)

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