



NIAGARA COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Media Release

Children's Summer Camp Fund

The **Niagara Newspaper Network** is committed to investing in tomorrow through the youth of today. With its newly established **Children's Summer Camp Fund**, the Network will help send Niagara children in financial need to a variety of camping experiences. An opportunity to go to summer camp not only helps our children develop new skills, make new friends and raise their self esteem, it also gives them the chance to get their hands dirty and have lots of fun.

The Niagara Community Foundation, on behalf of the Network, administers the Summer Camp Fund.

The following newspapers are part of the **Niagara Newspaper Network**: St. Catharines Standard, Welland Tribune, Niagara Falls Review, Lincoln Post Express, Grimsby Independent, West Lincoln Review, Niagara Advance and the Fort Erie Times Review.

How to access financial support from the Children's Summer Camp Fund

The following is the eligibility criteria of applicants:

- Registered charities or municipalities who offer:
 - Day or residential camps in Niagara, or,
 - Financial support for children to attend day or residential camps, or,
 - Day or residential camps for special needs children from Niagara
- Organization demonstrates a process of determining financial need of clients

A committee, with representation from the Niagara Newspaper Network, the Niagara Community Foundation and the community, will review applications from eligible organizations. The deadline for applications is June 3, 2002 and the results will be available June 21, 2002. For 2002, a minimum of \$3,800 is available to grant.

To obtain an application form, call the Niagara Community Foundation at (905) 684-8688 or email to ncf@becon.org. An application form can be emailed to interested organizations.

Established in 2000, the Niagara Community Foundation is a collection of endowed funds and resources given by caring citizens who have chosen to make their community a better place to live and work. To date \$700,000 has been raised in permanently endowed funds.