

Recreation Communications

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF ACTIVE,
HEALTHY LIVING THROUGH RECREATION
AND PARKS

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Welcome to the digital RPAY Newsletter. This quarterly newsletter gives us the chance to provide updates on our programs and to give you recreation news from across the Yukon and Canada! Do you have an idea for our next newsletter? Have a program or update from your community you'd like to see featured? Please contact Kelsey at kelsey@rpay.ca

DID YOU KNOW THAT?

Each year, more than 700 Yukon children get on bikes through Cycle Smart, including more than 250 children from rural Yukon. To ensure that all children can participate, even if they don't have their own bikes, we bring along a fleet of loaner bikes and helmets.

RPAY IS HIRING

Join the RPAY Team!

RPAY is hiring a temporary term position for the Active Living Coordinator.

Applications are being accepted until noon on June 20th, 2022. For more information, contact Anne at anne@rpay.ca

This is a one-year full-time term position to fill a Leave of Absence for a full-term permanent employee. This temporary position could be extended from one year to a maximum of 14 months.

As part of a team, the Active Living Coordinator contributes to implementing RPAY's Strategic Plan and the Yukon Active Living Strategy. The Active Living Coordinator promotes the benefits of recreation and parks and encourages public participation in an active lifestyle. Responsibilities include planning, coordinating, promoting, managing, and monitoring core programs, such as the Rural Healthy Eating Active Living (RHEAL) Leaders program and the Winter Active for Life (WAFL) program.

If this sounds like something you are interested in, email Anne your resume and cover letter by noon on June 20th, 2022.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Everyone Welcome!

RPAY is having our Annual General Meeting and Election of Officers on Wednesday, June 22, at 5:30 pm.

You can attend in person at the RPAY office or via zoom.

Refreshments will be served, and everyone is welcome!

Join the RPAY Board of Directors!

Nominate a passionate recreation champion to serve on our Board of Directors.

If you are interested in volunteering for a position on the Board of Directors, please let us know!

For more information, please contact Anne at: anne@rpay.ca or 867-668-2389

BECOME AN RPAY MEMBER

Become a Member Today!

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The Recreation and Parks Association of the Yukon (RPAY) is a membership-driven non-government organization.

We work to strengthen the capacity of Yukon communities to engage their citizens in active, healthy lifestyles through recreation and parks. This includes a variety of programs, resources, training, and networking opportunities for our membership.

Being a member of the RPAY allows recreation leaders across the territory to engage in shaping support for recreation and parks in the Yukon by nominating and electing the Board of Directors.

Become a Member



WINTER ACTIVE FOR LIFE

WAFL Library is Closed for the Season

The Winter Active For Life Equipment Lending Library is now closed as we all switch gears to summer activities. Despite the restrictions that the pandemic has put on many aspects of our lives; getting outside and being active was not one of them.

The WAFL Lending Library was able to help over 1000 people from 27 organizations throughout the Yukon get Winter Active this past season using cross-country skis, snowshoes and kicksleds!



HAPPY PRIDE MONTH

Happy Yukon Pride

The RPAY team wishes everyone a safe and happy Pride Month for the month of June! Have a safe and fun time celebrating.



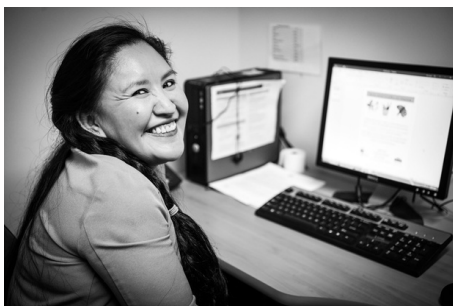


Training Continues this Fall!

The Recreation North Training Program provides flexible learning and networking opportunity for anyone who works or volunteers in recreation. Start anytime; learn anywhere.

The Training Program offers 19 learning events (mini-courses) delivered remotely over two or four weeks. Share ideas with other recreation leaders during weekly conference calls. Apply new concepts through required learning activities.

Choose a learning event that interests you or complete 12 core learning events to earn a Certificate in Northern Recreation Leadership. Advanced learning events can be taken individually or combined for a Certificate in Northern Recreation Management. Check out the 2022-23 schedule with training that begins September 12th at www.recnorth.ca/learn.



CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to Recreation North's Recent Yukon Graduates

Congratulations to Recreation North's recent Yukon graduates!

- Courtney Terriah (KDFN Recreation) and Kelsey Gammel (RPAY) earned a Certificate in Northern Recreation Management.
- Eliza Pahl, Lindsay Agar, and Karly Fredrickson (City of Whitehorse Canada Games Centre) earned a Northern Certificate in Northern Recreation Leadership.

Follow Recreation North on Facebook to read the profiles of recent graduates from Yukon, NWT, and Nunavut.

COMMUNITY BETTER CHALLENGE

Canada's Most Active Community

The 2022 ParticipACTION Community Better Challenge is here, with local activities happening across the country in June to help us get active together for our mental and physical health. Track physical activity minutes from your organization's initiatives, classes, or events on our web portal to help your community be named Canada's Most Active Community and win \$100,000 to support local physical activity initiatives.

CANADIAN SPORT POLICY RENEWAL

For 2023-2033

Canadian Sport Policy Renewal (2023-2033)

The Canadian Sport Policy is set to be renewed in February 2023. The Canadian Sport Policy helps to guide key policy, program, and funding decisions. Your perspective is critical, and if you are interested in policy development, your insights can help set a renewed course for the sport in Canada.

Northerners are encouraged to share their insights through a survey and help contribute to the sport and recreation needs we want to be fulfilled. The pandemic has highlighted how important it is to be physically active, but it has also demonstrated that we must be intentional and flexible in welcoming new participants.

[Have your say here.](#)

ARCTIC INSPIRATION PRIZE

Nominations Open

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2022 prize, with up to 10 teams able to win prize money to help them launch initiatives that will bring about the changes they want to see in their communities. The Arctic Inspiration Prize (AIP) recognizes diverse teams with innovative projects in education, sustainable housing, health, performing arts, traditional knowledge, language, and science.

REIMAGINE RREC WORKSHOPS

Canadian Parks and Recreation Association

The ReImagine RREC Workshop Series has officially wrapped up.

If you missed out on one of the webinars, do not fret. All the webinar recordings and resources are still available on the bench!

To find the recordings or the resources [go here](#). You will need a membership to The Bench to access the resources and recordings.



CPRA ACPL

PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

#ParksAndRecKid

Share stories about how you're active on your own, with family, or community. Whether you love the swings at your playground, hiking a local trail, playing pick-up basketball at the rec center, swimming lengths at the pool, or joining a community celebration, we want to hear your stories with the hashtag #ParksAndRecKid.

Here's how you can get involved:

- Share a post on the Bench, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn, Facebook, or YouTube.
- Use #ParksAndRecKid in your post and tell us why you love parks and recreation!
- Everyone is invited to join in the fun (yes! teams and organizations can submit entries as well).
- Prizes!

For those that enter, we'll randomly select three winners to receive a CPRA prize pack, including one grand prize of a YETI cooler.



YOUTH INVESTMENT FUND

Apply for \$500 anytime

The Youth Investment Fund provides financial support to short-term projects aimed at youth under 19 with fewer opportunities or who experience a form of discrimination.

Eligible programs should:

- Promote self-esteem
- Encourage the development of positive lifestyle choices
- create social or recreational opportunities
- adhere to any recommendations related to COVID-19

You can apply for \$500 or under at any time. Find out more [here](#).

RHEAL LEADERS

Early Bird Deadline September 15

The RHEAL Leader application will be opening in late August 2022.

You can apply for up to \$3000 per program. The funding is available for people or organizations who want to encourage their community to get active and healthy!

To find out more go [here](#).



LOTTERIES YUKON PROJECT FUNDING

Deadline October 15

The Projects Fund is intended to sustain and contribute to the growth of arts, sport, and recreation in Yukon by:

- increasing access and participation of all Yukon people in arts, sports, and recreation activities;
- supporting individuals in developing their skills/abilities in arts, sport, or recreation;
- enhancing community arts, sports, and recreation infrastructure; and
- increasing organizational and community capacity in arts, sports, and entertainment.

Small-medium projects can apply for up to 90% of eligible costs. Large projects can use for up to 80% of eligible expenses.

To find out more, go [here](#).

Our Team!



Alycia - APE Coordinator



Fran - WAFL Coordinator



Roger - Recreation Training Coordinator



Kelsey - Active Living Coordinator



Anne - Executive Director



Caroline - Planning and Evaluation

Thank you to our staff and contractors for continuing to make RPAY run smoothly!

CONTACT US!

Questions? Comments? General observations? Feel free to give us a call or email.

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RPAY respectfully acknowledges that we work within the traditional territories of the Kwanlin Dün First Nation and Ta'an Kwäch'än Council