

## **Canadian CED Network 2016 Annual General Meeting**

### **Special Resolution Amending CCEDNet's Articles of Incorporation**

**WHEREAS** CCEDNet's current articles of incorporation limit our activities to serving registered charitable community economic development organizations;

**WHEREAS** the priorities identified by CCEDNet members and the evolution of our field of activity have led CCEDNet to gradually expand activities beyond serving solely registered charitable community economic development organizations;

**WHEREAS** CCEDNet's activities provide a benefit to the broader public, and our goal is to expand activities of that nature;

**WHEREAS** the proposed revised articles of incorporation have been deemed charitable by the Canada Revenue Agency;

**AND WHEREAS** the CCEDNet Board of Directors supports this resolution;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that CCEDNet apply to Corporations Canada to amend CCEDNet's articles of incorporation to appear as follows:

1. To alleviate poverty, reduce unemployment, and relieve suffering in economically challenged communities, by:
  - a) furthering the work of other registered charitable community economic development organizations (CEDO's) by informing them about effective CED models and strategies to address poverty and other social problems, thereby helping them to improve the efficiency of their charitable activities.
  - b) furthering the work of other registered charitable community economic development organizations by performing research about CED "best practices" and disseminating the results to the practitioners, academics, businesses, foundations, and governments in Canada who are involved in charitable CED activity. "Best practices" are defined as the development programs, models and strategies that have proven to be most efficient and effective in alleviating poverty, reducing unemployment, and relieving suffering in economically challenged communities.
  - c) furthering the work of other registered charitable community economic development organizations by developing and disseminating tools, grants and technical resources that assist them to implement "best practices" to alleviate poverty, reduce unemployment, and relieve suffering in economically challenged communities.
  - d) furthering the work of other registered charitable community economic development organizations by providing information and advice about how corporations, foundations, individuals and governments can ensure that their support for the charitable work of

CEDO's is provided in ways that improves the efficiency of the CEDO's charitable activities.

2. To advance education by providing instructional seminars, conferences, workshops, lectures and classes on community economic development, and related issues, to the public.
3. To advance education by conducting research on community economic development practices and related issues in Canada and internationally, and by publishing and presenting the results of that research and other relevant information to the public.
4. To encourage Canadians to volunteer and improve the capacity of organizations to involve volunteers.
5. To advance education among unemployed youth by providing employment-related training, work experience programs and matching them with potential employers.

**Current Purposes (for reference)**

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