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**New position at the Red Deer & District Community Foundation to work towards achievement of EveryOne's Home: Red Deer's Vision and Framework on Ending Homelessness by 2018.**

(Red Deer, June 2008)The Red Deer & District Community Foundation welcomes Ms. Stacey Carmichael to their team as the Coordinator for Community Leadership Initiatives. Ms. Carmichael will focus on the implementation of **"EveryOne's Home: Red Deer's Vision and Framework for Ending Homelessness by 2018."** This position will work closely with a Community Foundation Advisory Committee in engaging the community and overseeing the implementation of the Vision and Framework. The Advisory Committee members represent the Red Deer Housing Committee, the Mayor's Task Force on Ending Homelessness in Red Deer, the Aboriginal Community, the City of Red Deer, the Community Foundation and the community at large.

Ms. Carmichael was former chair of the Red Deer Housing Committee and former Executive Director of the Schizophrenia Society of Alberta- Red Deer Chapter. She has deep roots in Red Deer and throughout the non profit sector.

"Our community has responded to the challenges that come with increased homelessness and a lack of housing with excellent leadership by developing EveryOne's Home. It is important that we keep the momentum going and implement the strategies that have been identified. I am extremely pleased to be in a position where I can play a key role working together with my community to end homelessness." says Stacey as she describes her new role in the Community Foundation.

"I am very pleased that Ms. Carmichael joined our team" said Janice Wing, Chief Executive Officer of the Red Deer & District Community Foundation. "The issue of homelessness came out at the top of the list of concerns from our Vital Signs report last year. The Mayor's Task Force on Ending Homelessness in Red Deer was the first of its kind in Canada and as a community we are well positioned to deal effectively with the issues that put people at risk of being homeless as well as the supports and programs needed to keep people housed. The Community Foundation has been a part of the Task Force ever since it was established in 2005 and this position provides a great opportunity for us to be further immersed with the community in working together to strengthen the quality of life in Central Alberta." Ms. Wing adds.

Ms. Carmichael acknowledges that there is a lot of work ahead but she said that she is more than prepared to take on the task.

**For more information about EveryOne's Home: Red Deer's Vision and Framework on Ending Homelessness by 2018, the Community Foundation Advisory Committee or the work of the Coordinator contact:**

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