



What is the Community Knowledge Centre?(CKC)

The Community Knowledge Centre (CKC) is a searchable, online resource that showcases charitable organizations working on innovative solutions to our city's most pressing issues. CKC connects donors, community members, policy makers and media to the vibrant nonprofit sector. Through CKC, charitable organizations can inspire citizens to action through compelling stories of impact and encourage investment by providing meaningful ways to contribute.

What makes CKC unique from other websites?

CKC is a central hub that provides convenient access to consistent, comprehensive and current info, videos and photos that bring to life compelling stories of how organizations transform lives. CKC uses storytelling as a powerful tool to build understanding, share strengths, challenges and present promising practices within the charitable sector.

Why did the Calgary Foundation launch CKC?

Serving donors and making grants will always be key roles of the Calgary Foundation but equally important is that we exist to serve and strengthen the charitable sector by elevating the position of charitable organizations as a critical agent for change.

How is CKC connected to Calgary's Vital Signs?

Calgary's Vital Signs is an annually published Report that measures the vitality of our community, identifies trends and assigns grades in areas critical to quality of life. As an extension of Vital Signs, CKC empowers citizens to make informed decisions that address the issues raised in Vital Signs.

How are charitable organizations chosen to be featured on CKC?

From many years of annually supporting hundreds of charitable organizations, the Calgary Foundation has developed an extensive network in the charitable sector. From grassroots organizations to large institutions, CKC is open to all registered charitable organizations who address issues in CKC's key issue areas.

What are the future plans for CKC?

The Calgary Foundation is in the first stage of a long term initiative; there are many more compelling stories to be told. Charitable organizations will continue to be added over the next few years to build CKC into a premiere resource that connects those with resources, with those who need resources.

What is the background of CKC?

CKC was developed by the Toronto Foundation with assistance from IBM, in response to many requests for an accessible resource that could provide current information on what issues need addressing and where support is most needed in communities.