

# Membership Form

Annual Membership (Please check one)

- \$20 Individual  
 \$5 Subsidized Individual  
 \$50 Organization

New membership  Renewal

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Mr.  Ms.  Mrs.  Dr.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov. \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

- Please do not send mail, including Visions magazine, unless required by our bylaws  
 Please do not send e-mail unless required by our bylaws  
 I would like information on volunteering  
 I would like information on recognizing CMHA in my will

## Your membership with CMHA Vancouver-Fraser includes:

- Your membership to CMHA Vancouver-Fraser includes membership to CMHA BC
- A CMHA membership card, to show you care about mental health in BC
- A voice in the future direction of CMHA through the opportunity to run for and elect the governing board and attend the Annual General Meeting
- A subscription to CMHA BC's free monthly email newsletter, Mind Matters
- A free subscription to the award-winning quarterly Visions Journal within BC (a \$25 value)

In addition to my membership,  
I would like to donate \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to pay by:

Cheque  Visa  MasterCard

Card No. \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Security No. \_\_\_\_\_  
month year 3-digit

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheques payable to  
Canadian Mental Health Association,  
Vancouver-Fraser Branch

## About CMHA Vancouver-Fraser

As the nation-wide leader and champion for mental health, CMHA helps people access community resources they need to build resilience and support recovery from mental illness or addiction. CMHA does this by building capacity, influencing policy, providing services and developing resources.

The Vancouver-Fraser branch has a strong focus on community integration, education, housing, peer support and navigation, employment, counselling, prevention and promotion, and social enterprise mandate focused on helping reduce stigma in the community.

CMHA promotes mental health for all.



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Help us make a difference ...  
**Become a member**



Mentally healthy people  
in a healthy society

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## The benefits of membership

### Provide hope and help to people affected by mental illness

Mental illness can cost a person their family, friends, job, education, physical health, and in some cases, their life.

CMHA's 14 branches throughout BC are here to help support people with mental illness and their families on their journey to recovery. We believe everyone deserves a home, a job and a friend.

Across BC, CMHA provides help and hope through direct services such as:

- Supported housing and shelters
- Support groups and crisis lines
- Social and recreational opportunities
- Volunteer opportunities, skills training and employment services
- Educational supports and bursaries
- Clubhouses, which provide a stable, respectful and supportive gathering place for recovery
- Social enterprise programs, which assist people with mental illness to gain skills, productivity and income by running their own businesses

➤ **Mental illness will affect 1 in 5 Canadians directly—that's almost 900,000 in BC**

### Promote mental health for all—and prevent mental illness

Many people with mental illness never receive the treatment and support they need because they are unaware of the signs of mental illness and treatments available, or are ashamed to seek help.

CMHA helps battle misconceptions, empower people to seek help, and raise broad awareness around maintaining good mental health through:

- Public education events, displays, publications, and resource libraries
- Province-wide events such as Mental Health Week in May, Ride Don't Hide events in June and Beyond the Blues events in October
- Community education and training such as Living Life to the Full, Bounce Back™, Confident Parents: Thriving Kids, Mental Health Works and Mental Health First Aid

### Have a voice in the direction of CMHA

With your annual membership to your local CMHA branch, you also become a member of CMHA BC Division.

As a member you have a voice in how CMHA is run through your vote and/or nomination in the election of our governing board, and your attendance at our Annual General Meeting.

➤ **Each year, CMHA serves more than 120,000 people across 100 communities in BC**

### Add strength to our voice

Your membership strengthens our voice when it comes to improving the way we view and treat mental illness in BC through:

- Advocacy in the media and in public policy
- Community-based policy and research in areas including mental illness and:
  - » People who are homeless or at risk
  - » Interactions with the police and justice system
  - » Children and youth
  - » Addictions

### Stay up to date on mental health in BC

Your membership helps us keep in touch with people who care about mental health in BC.

- **Visions Journal**—with your membership you will receive a free subscription to this award-winning quarterly journal on mental health and addictions as explored through personal stories, innovative programs and the most up-to-date research
- **Mind Matters**—an email newsletter on mental health news, resources and events. Sign up at [www.cmha.bc.ca](http://www.cmha.bc.ca)—it's free!

➤ **Our vision: mentally healthy people in a healthy society**

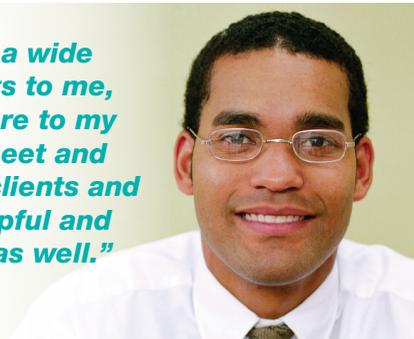
## Yes, I'd like to become a member!

### I would like to...

- Provide hope to the millions of people in BC whose lives have been directly or indirectly affected by mental illness
- Help CMHA provide services across BC and in my community
- Join a community of people who recognize the importance of helping people affected by mental illness and promoting the mental health of all British Columbians
- Learn more about mental health and mental illness

***"CMHA provides a wide variety of benefits to me, including structure to my day, a place to meet and talk with fellow clients and with friendly, helpful and supportive staff as well."***

**—Don**



***"CMHA is very, very helpful by just being here. A place to come to, feel welcome and be respected for who I am."***

**—Wilf**

