DCO wishes you a safe and happy summer season!

June 2018

Learning Forums Webinar: Focus on Aging and the Elderly Part 3: Caregivers and Support

This spring, DCO’s Learning Forums Webinar series, Focus on Aging and the Elderly, was offered to call responders and staff from across our member organizations. This online professional development program, designed to provide additional knowledge and skills to enhance the effectiveness of workers on the helplines, focused on issues related to aging and the elderly.

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DCO’s New Board of Directors

DCO held their Annual General Meeting on Friday, June 22 at the Oakville Golf Club in Oakville, and the membership approved a Slate of Directors for 2018-2019. It is our pleasure to provide brief introductions of the new Board of Directors. We will feature full profiles of our new Board members later in the year.

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The Millennial Impact Report is an annual study of Millennial cause engagement which analyzes and informs about Millennial perception of cause engagement and social good. In the first part of our Millennial series, we looked at how young people perceive and define their own cause engagement, the second part measured engagement behaviors in relation to these causes/social issues, and our final phase reveals how American Millennials are giving government, not-for-profits, and corporations an opportunity to do what they think needs to be done to improve life for everyone in their country.

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DCO's 2018 Recognition Presentations

DCO hosted our 2018 Recognition program Friday, June 22 at the Oakville Golf Club in Oakville. We were pleased to recognize our Spirit of Volunteerism (SOV) recipients and nominees, along with this year’s Program & Service Recognition recipient.

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Safe Spaces: Gay-Straight Alliances in High Schools

Gay-straight alliances are a form of social support for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning (LGBTQ) high-school students. Over the last two decades, gay-straight alliances have spread throughout high schools across North America. These alliances provide support to LGBTQ students in difficult personal circumstances or in hostile school environments, and to advocate for LGBTQ students.

This article considers how gay-straight alliance groups reduce stress on LGBTQ students, eliminate bullying, improve LGBTQ dropout rates, or prevent LGBTQ teen suicides.

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DCO 2018 Networking Day: A Recap

Distress and Crisis Ontario's Executive Director, Elizabeth Fisk, kicked off the June Networking Day in style by welcoming all the member centre representatives to the Oakville Golf Club. The day opened up with the DCO leadership engaging in very robust, collaborative, round table discussions on a variety of topics, with a view to sharing best practices and identifying mutual areas of interest for future growth and development.

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DCO 2018 Upcoming Events and Schedule of Meetings

Finance Committee Meetings
Wednesday, October 17
Friday, December 14

ONTX Steering Committee
Monday, July 9
Monday, August 13
Monday, September 10
Tuesday, October 9
News from our Member Centres

Please email us to share your centre’s news and upcoming events in e-News & Views.