

## City of Parksville Proclamations for March 2012

The City of Parksville is pleased to accept requests from charitable organizations to proclaim "months" or "days" in our municipality. This is an opportunity to bring public awareness and recognition to the organizations that play a critical role in our community. To date, the Mayor of the City of Parksville has proclaimed the following for the month of March 2012.

### Community Social Services Awareness Month

Community-based social services help to improve the quality of life for everyone, while making communities stronger and more stable. Services include child care and infant development programs, employment and housing support for people with developmental disabilities, specialized services for immigrant families and youths at risk, services for First Nations families, support for women dealing with violence, substance abuse and related services and assistance to people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. [www.communitysocialservicesmatter.ca](http://www.communitysocialservicesmatter.ca)

### Kidney Health Month

The Kidney Foundation of Canada conducts its annual door-to-door campaign during the month of March. During this time, volunteers canvass the residences to raise much needed funds for patients throughout BC. Over five thousand adults, youth and children in British Columbia live with chronic kidney disease. Almost half rely on dialysis treatments and there are about 300 people facing seven to ten years on the transplant waitlist. In addition, it is estimated that 145,000 people in BC have undiagnosed kidney disease. Most are unaware that they have it because the symptoms are silent and often mistaken for other conditions. [www.kidney.ca](http://www.kidney.ca)

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