

**Subject: Federation of NV Community Associations**

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Hi Jeanine - at a meeting of the Federation of NV Community Associations last night, there was a lengthy discussion on two issues in particular.

The first of these issues was regarding the new Community Charter. Last weekend one member of FONVCA went to Victoria to attend a government symposium on the matter. Those attending this symposium were given a copy of the document. Because of the potential impacts the Charter may have on local communities, FONVCA members agreed that each registered community association should indeed have a copy of the document. Rather than each association attempting to obtain it, however, we wondered whether DNV might be in a better position to ask the Province for enough copies of the Charter to be distributed to official associations, agencies, and District libraries.

The second item was regarding raising the public profile of FONVCA itself. Obviously FONVCA is a very well-established umbrella organization of community associations from across the District, but it is not very well known. By promoting FONVCA it is thought that we could assist and strengthen the efforts of the individual community associations to attract more members. In this regard, we thought that an opportunity exists for FONVCA to have regular presence in the "community corner" of the District Dialogue. Perhaps the FONVCA logo could be printed with the stated mandate, a contact number and web site address, together with a few words urging people to find out more about their local association. What do you think about this idea?

-Brian