



# ÉCOLE SECONDAIRE ST. ALBERT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL HOME OF THE SKYHAWKS

To whom it may concern,

I am contacting you regarding a fundraising opportunity at St. Albert Catholic High School. We are participating in a bike-a-thon! We have partnered with Catholic Social Services for our "Pedal for a Purpose" for the Care a Van project for the unhoused in Edmonton. Welcome Home is a program operating within Catholic Social Services for over 10 years. It is volunteer-based, providing companionship and support to those making the transition from being unhoused to community living. This program provides companionship to reduce the loneliness and social isolation faced by many newly housed individuals. The relationship between the volunteers and program participants is based on openness and respect for the strengths and gifts of each person. Volunteers aim to help the participants feel truly at home. Success rate is around 96%

I am sending you this letter as I have joined a group of students to participate in this event to raise money for this great cause. My team and I are looking for donations to raise money for Catholic Social Services and I was wondering if you would be interested in donating. Every dollar counts! Catholic Social Services is a Canadian registered charity and can provide tax receipts for donations over \$20.

Our bike-a-thon will be taking place February 13-14, 2025 and we expect to have 400 students, teachers, and community members participating. Funds raised will support the Care-a-Van project with Catholic Social Services. We are hoping to raise \$40,000 dollars this year.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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