

**[FMmandir] Mandir Update #13**

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FM Ganes...

Dhanyatmans,

All of us know that the Mandir Mission had some significant achievements in the past few weeks. Charitable status from the Province, Revenue Canada recognition, Appreciation from Fort McMurray greater community, approval of Suncor Community Grant, couple of fund raising cultural and spiritual programs etc. are few of them; These were possible because of the dedicated effort of few volunteers.

You may be aware that there are few individual fund raising initiatives going on in the community (such as Yoga Classes by **Kapilaji** and Jewelry sale by **Nahar** family).

As a sequel to these efforts, some well wishers of the Sanatan Mandir have come forward with the following novel ideas and opportunities. Please read, review and revert with your ideas and offer voluntary support as appropriate.

1. Garage sale for Mandir

Mr.Deepak Lala (780 790 0119) has offered to coordinate this effort. As we are in the fall, we need do the garage sale in the next couple of weeks. Please offer your valuable items in the name Lord - all proceeds goes to Mandir; No clothes or large furniture please...Those who would like to support this noble initiative, please give Deepak a call....

1. Chanting Service

One of the devotees suggested that in order to rejuvenate the Mandir spirit, we should start a Chanting Service for the community - The proposal is that anyone who wants to

celebrate their house-warming or similar occasion, a group of 10 Mandir Satsanghis go to the house and chant slokas, Rudram/Chamakam and other Sooktham for an hour at a nominal fees of \$101/-; No food, tea/coffee are to be served. All proceeds goes to Mandir. Those who want to associate with this effort, please call **Davesh Amin** (780 714 2026)

1. Children's Library service

In order to encourage our children to learn Indian mythology, history and precious culture, we are starting a Mandir Library. **Mrs.Shilpa Arvikar** has volunteered to Coordinate this effort. We already have some books; but donation of children's books in any Indian language are welcome. The weekly book distribution to children will be at YMCA after the Bal-Vikas on Sundays. A security deposit of \$20/- will be collected from each family who wants to avail the services. Those who want to associate with this effort, please call Shilpa (780 747 3901)

1. Recycle bottle collection

This is another noble, but tiresome effort in the name of Sanatan Mandir; Thanks to Bhagvathy ben &Vasanth bhai who volunteered to coordinate this effort ! The idea is to store your recyclable bottles and hand over to Vasanth bhai once in a month, which will be sold in the bottle depot; All proceeds goes to Mandir. Those who want to associate with this effort, please call Bhagvathy ben (780 747 9432).

In all the above services, each one of us, have a role to play; Mandir Committee is only a facilitator; We can not build the Mandir without you....

...Squirrel never expected Sri Ramji to give direction; She jumped into the water and started working on Sethu Bandhan, with whatever possible way it could help...the blessings from Ramji was instantaneous....

Let's UNITE...let us build the Mandir this time...

with love,

Sanatan Mandir Executive Committee

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