



ADVANCING CRYSTAL BEACH

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

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As a result of serious concerns with the lack of affordable housing in the Fort Erie area, ACB met with the new Executive Director of Niagara United Way and also the Niagara Housing Consultant for Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC). Our focus? Bring attention to the dire situation and concerns of our community regarding accessing a range of affordable housing. (Until recently, the range of housing options has been overlooked and generally not available, resulting in many people having to leave the area and lose their supports: friends, relatives and long-established resources.) We are serious about addressing this issue – residents of Fort Erie deserve better, more affordable housing.

Want to Dig Into a Good Book? Check Out Our 2 Free Access Libraries!

We manage two free libraries in the village: Take a Book, Leave a Book. One library is located beside the Crystal Mart Convenience Store on Derby and the other one is at the front of the Crystal Ridge Community Church (one of our partners) at 241 Elmwood Ave.

Anonymous Artists – and Swag Bags. More Exciting Buzz ... An anonymous artist created the colorful signs on Gorham Rd. (at the Shell station) on both sides of the street, designed to lure cyclists off the Trail and into Crystal Beach. After a leisurely bike ride, why not explore our beautiful village?

We try to greet new residents to Crystal Beach with a “swag bag;” a handmade bag filled with relevant information about Crystal Beach/Fort Erie to welcome newcomers to our village. If you didn’t get one, let us know! Call Mandy: **905-321-4462**.

Welcome Summer – with Your Whackiest Umbrella Design!

2018 is the inaugural year of the **March of Umbrellas**, a fun free walk to welcome summer. Everyone is invited to say “hello to summer” on Saturday May 26, 2018. Dress up your umbrella and wear a costu