

## **(01.25.23) Volunteer Professional Development Series – Fund Development Team - Additional Notes**

### **Sponsorships & Grants | National Partners**

We highly encourage Locals to reach out to their local Tim Hortons restaurants and Sobeys stores (i.e. Safeway, Thrifty Foods) to support local fundraisers, events, and programs. Your primary contact will be the store / restaurant managers at an individual location – ideally a location that you've previously visited during a campaign.

However, if the donation is coming from the national or corporate office, and not from the individual location, we will need to involve Special Olympics Canada in the negotiations. If you aren't sure, please reach out to Amanda Liao ([aliao@specialolympics.bc.ca](mailto:aliao@specialolympics.bc.ca)) and I will be happy to help facilitate.

### **CrowdChange**

Although Locals have the option to opt out, we highly encourage all Locals use CrowdChange to facilitate your Local's fundraising initiatives. Most Locals currently have their donation page set up – if you are unsure, please contact your Local Coordinator; all Local pages were only set up after receiving approval from the Local Coordinator. So, if you notice your Local doesn't have a donation page and would like to set one up, please have your Local Coordinator reach out to Adjil Rahardjo ([arahardjo@specialolympics.bc.ca](mailto:arahardjo@specialolympics.bc.ca)). After the page is fully set up, your Local Coordinator should then spread the word of the new page to your committee. The more we can inform folks about the pages the better. Additional CrowdChange pages can be set up for specific fundraising initiatives, such as golf tournaments, walkathons, etc.

### **Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) Events**

The planning and execution of Law Enforcement Torch Run events (which includes Polar Plunge events) should be spearheaded by LETR members in your community. This is particularly the case for community events that are open to the public, where municipal permits would be required. Your Local is certainly encouraged to connect with your local law enforcement agencies to work together on establishing a Torch Run or Polar Plunge event. Your Local members and athletes are also encouraged to gather privately to complete a Torch Run or Polar Plunge as a group. If you have any questions or would like assistance in connecting with your local law enforcement agencies, please contact Meg Ishida ([mishida@specialolympics.bc.ca](mailto:mishida@specialolympics.bc.ca))