



## ***COST AS A BARRIER POLICY C.1***

Effective Date: November 3, 2009

*The Silverwood Heights Community Association presently subsidizes all programs offered within the community and will provide individual support for families who are unable to participate in programs due to financial burden.*

### **Purpose**

To ensure all members of the Silverwood Heights Community have the opportunity to access programs offered by the Silverwood Community Association despite financial constraints.

### **Policy**

The Silverwood Community Association may review all request for assistance brought forward by families wishing to participate in activities sponsored by the Association. This may be done in a confidential manner with involvement by the president and one other executive member.

### **Procedures**

- 1.** Information on the Cost as a Barrier Policy may be included, when available, in newsletters or other publication such as the Association website which is distributed by the Association. This information should be distributed in a timely manner in conjunction with Association program registration dates. Individuals who are requesting support through the Cost as a Barrier Program may be required to complete a request form. This form may be available through the Indoor Director, Membership Director or President.
- 2.** The request for financial support will be reviewed by Association Executive Members. Decisions on eligibility may be presented at the next available meeting.
- 3.** Financial support may be considered for families whose annual income is < \$20,000.
- 4.** The community association may provide support to include the waiving of fee program.
- 5.** Families are still required to purchase a Silverwood Heights Community Membership. Through this initiative, the Association may fund one program per family/session.
- 6.** This policy may be reviewed annually at the Association's AGM to review and compare Cost as a Barrier Funding provided by the City of Saskatoon, where it may be determined if the policy should be revised accordingly.