

Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba

Members must be 18 years of age minimum and residents of southwestern Manitoba

Yes, I want to join your network community of caring people!

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Mail completed form along with your membership fee to:

800 McTavish Avenue Brandon, MB R7A 7L4

Thank you for your support—and welcome to our community of caring people!



Joining our Board of Directors

All members (excluding staff) of the Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba agency are eligible to run for any position on our Board of Directors. They can apply directly or another member can nominate them.

Responsibilities of the 12-person Board team include (but are not limited to):

- Establishing goals and policies
- Determining impact of the agency in the community
- Setting priorities for program development that best meet client needs
- Monitoring development and performance of programs
- Writing bylaws
- Participating on Board sub-committees as necessary
- Attending occasional special board workshops as planned

Board meetings are held monthly from September through June.



Where we are in Westman



CFS Western serves an area of about 12,000 square miles in southwestern Manitoba, reaching a population of approximately 180,000.

How to reach us

Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba's main office is located at:

Our office operates Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. We also have 24-hour seven-days-a-week emergency service available through our toll free number listed above.

Be a community member of...



We exist so that children are safe and nurtured in strong, loving families within a community of caring people



Who we are

Child and Family Services of Western Manitoba (CFS Western) is a private, non-profit, community-based charitable agency, directed by a community-elected and community-represented Board of Directors.

Our goals are to:

Strengthen and support families

Protect children from neglect, abuse and exploitation

Ensure children in our care are parented appropriately

Work in partnership with the community

Be a recognized leader in the advancement of health and well-being of children and families in Westman

We accomplish these goals by: offering effective family strengthening programs to Westman communities with services that seek to support families as well as protect children.

We believe providing families with healthy and positive resources can help lead to fewer of them in crisis with fewer children coming into our care.



CFS Western has been serving Westman communities since 1899. Under *The Child and Family Services Act of Manitoba*, we are mandated to provide protection and preventative services to Westman children seen to be at risk of abuse and neglect.

To help minimize the risk, CFS Western offers families care, support, resources, workshops, courses and other services to help make families stronger *before* situations reach a crisis point.

Who our members are

- Our members are community-minded people who all want to make a difference in the well-being of a child or family.
- Our members are from all over southwestern Manitoba and all walks of life, cultural backgrounds and age groups.
- Our members past, present and future are a huge part of why we are one of the oldest and largest social services agencies in Westman.

Be the change that you want to see in the world.

Mahatma Gandhi

Why members are important to us

- Our members become our eyes and ears in their communities to help us discover specific community needs.
- Our members' input and view helps direct and assist us in reaching our goals.
- Our members highlight community support for our efforts a crucial step to our success when we apply for the community grants and funding that we rely on to operate our family strengthening programs.
- Our members enhance our visibility in our communities.
- Our members' support helps us respond to the needs of Westman children and families.
- Our members' voices help steer our organization into the future by adding to our vision, focus and direction.

How members benefit

- Our members benefit by paying low annual fees of only \$10 for one year or only \$25 for three years.
- Our members benefit by becoming eligible to run for position on our community-based Board of Directors team.
- Our members benefit by receiving complimentary tickets to our Annual General Meeting dinner.
- Our members benefit by having voting privileges at our Annual General Meeting.
- Our members benefit by having a voice in the needs of their communities.
- Our members benefit by belonging to a network community of caring people.
- Our members benefit by being part of the CFS Western tradition of protecting children, strengthening families and making a difference in our communities.









What your membership does

Your membership helps support our family strengthening programs, including:



(as a non-profit, private organization, CFS Western primarily relies on major funding for these and other family strengthening programs through private, public, community and organizational donations as well as grants and sponsorships)