



News Release

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Highland Shores Children's Aid and the Children's Aid Society of the County of Prince Edward to Amalgamate

As a next step in the process of moving forward with seeking an amalgamation partner, the Board of Directors of the Children's Aid Society of the County of Prince Edward (PECAS) has voted in favour of merging with Highland Shores Children's Aid (HSCA). The Board of Directors of Highland Shores Children's Aid has agreed to an amalgamation of the two Societies. The decision followed the thoughtful review of programs and services by the PECAS Board of Directors. This process will benefit children, youth and families in the County of Prince Edward by ensuring sustainable, beneficial services across geographies.

In order to further facilitate and expedite the amalgamation process, the Board of PECAS has requested replacement of Board members with members from the HSCA Board. The re-established board will have representation from the current Prince Edward Board. The two Societies will work together to complete this process and achieve a smooth amalgamation.

Commenting on the amalgamation of the two organizations, PECAS Board Chair Elaine Philip, indicated, "Our vision for joining the two Societies is to build on the strengths acquired over the long history of PECAS, while at the same time ensuring that children, youth and families receive similar levels of service no matter where they reside in our geography." HSCA Board Chair Darcey French commented, "This amalgamation will build on the good work and planning that had already taken place between the two Societies, but will continue to bear in mind the unique needs and circumstances of each area and will be marked with respect, inclusion and integrity."

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