

## News Release

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### **The Central Okanagan Foundation Checks Community Vital Signs**

Kelowna, BC: Your family doctor checks your vital signs to see if you are healthy. In the same spirit, the Central Okanagan Foundation (COF) has completed a Vital Signs® report for our community and the results are in.

“The health of our community is measured in areas such as safety, learning, environment, housing, arts, culture and many more,” said Cheryl Miller, Project Coordinator. “The report card not only presents verifiable research data, it also uses data gathered from opinionnaires completed by Central Okanagan residents. Each issue area was assigned a letter grade from A-F based on the opinionnaire findings, letting us know where we are doing well, and where we have room for improvement.”

The Central Okanagan’s 2011 Vital Signs report will be presented publicly on:

- October 4, 2011 at 9:00am
- Laurel Packinghouse, 1304 Ellis Street

“We’d like to invite everyone to come down, have a bite to eat and find out more about where we need to take action to make our community a stronger, healthier place to live,” adds Miller.

This is the second Vital Signs report completed in the Central Okanagan and is part of a country-wide program coordinated by Community Foundations of Canada.

To view the 2009 Central Okanagan’s Vital Signs report, make a charitable donation or find out more about the Central Okanagan Foundation, visit [www.centralokanaganfoundation.org](http://www.centralokanaganfoundation.org) or phone (250) 861-6160.

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