



HRM 20/20

COMMUNITY WORKING TOGETHER FOR CHANGE

Note to Editors

Friday, March 3, 2000

Building from the successful launch of HRM 20/20 at Halifax Hall February 16, 2000 the focus of activity over the past two weeks has been on the distribution of the HRM 20/20 workbooks.

Approximately 3500 workbooks have been distributed to date and are now available at all branches of the Halifax Regional Library, all HRM storefront offices, and a variety of stores, community centers and other locations throughout Halifax Regional Municipality. The HRM 20/20 workbook, which is at the heart of the consultation process, will be used by individuals and groups. Many people have are planning 20/20 dinner parties or discussion groups, and are taking the workbook to their community organization, church or workplace.

HRM 20/20 will be the topic of a Citizens' Forum workshop as part of the Daltech Planning Module, organized by the Dalhousie School of Urban and Rural Planning. The Citizens' Forum will be held on March 9 at 7pm in Halifax Hall. The public is encouraged to take part in the workshop.

Interest by the community in the project is growing and the early comments are showing the beginnings of trends in the things that are important to people in our community. Among the things that people are noting is the importance of ongoing citizen involvement in decision making, preserving the natural beauty of our communities and focusing on real and lasting transportation solutions for our community.

Community roundtables are continuing as one of the consultation options available for citizens to get involved. The website (located at www.hrm2020.com) contains a schedule of roundtables and is being used by many people to complete and submit the workbook. The information line number is HRM-2020 (476-2020) and is being used for general inquiries and requests for workbooks.

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