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Establishment of Non-Profit: Nova Scotia Remembers Legacy

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West Colchester, Nova Scotia

Colchester – Supporting our Communities ~ Nova Scotia Remembers

A group of interested citizens is working with a Colchester County law firm and accounting firm to legally establish an organization, tentatively to be called “Nova Scotia Remembers Legacy Society”, and to apply to Canada Revenue Agency to have the organization recognized as a registered charity.

The purpose of the organization will be to receive donations and raise funds in other ways to be managed and used for the benefit of (and in honour of) the families and communities affected by the tragic shooting event in April 2020, in and around Portapique, Nova Scotia.

While the exact uses of the funds will be further discussed and determined, a steering committee has been formed to discuss the priorities listed below. These ideas may be modified, changed and/or added to:

- Educational: Financial support for children of those lost, in the form of payment toward their post-secondary education, the creation of scholarships in memory of the victims to support youth in the affected communities as well as other scholarships, bursaries and educational supports.
- Community Development: Financial support for organizations in and around the communities most affected by the tragedy for activities and programs aimed at growing the social, economic and identity of the community. This element would focus on the West Colchester area but could also include the other affected communities.
- Memorial: Develop and construct one or more permanent memorials.
- Coordinated Wellness, Emotional and Grief Support: For families of the victims as well as other affected individuals and communities. This would ideally involve collaborating with community and other agencies or entities to provide grief counselling support, group services and other services and events to support the long term needs of those affected.

The organization will be managed by a volunteer board composed of recognized and respected community and business leaders primarily from Colchester County but not limited to such and may also include members of the victims' families.

It will take some time to establish the organization and obtain charitable status. As a result, we are accepting and seeking commitments or pledges to make donations, to be paid once the organization is formed and has obtained charitable status. Pledge forms can be found on our websites (below) or requested by email from novascotiaremembers@gmail.com .

For further information, please contact Tiff Ward at tiff.ward2@gmail.com.
To pledge a donation please email novascotiaremembers@gmail.com

Further Information - Website will be updated as informations becomes available.