



To: Branches, Community Service Units, District Chairmen
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Subj: **OUR ORGANIZATION & CHANGE**

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Several NHQ and other communiqués have recently addressed the issue of change and the evolution of St. John's charitable activities throughout Canada. We want to assure you that your Board for Ontario is looking very closely at all of the possible strategies together with their impact, relevance and good governance ethics on the day-to-day operations here in Ontario. These issues are, at this point, still in the early stages of discussion in order to determine what will work best in and for Ontario.

Until such time as deliberations have concluded, the status quo remains the format to be followed.

Let me also assure you that this review is being, and will continue to be done, through consultation and input from St. John members at all levels, including, of course, our Community Services Task Force which has been working hard over the past year to review the services provided – and the manner in which they are provided - across this province.

I would encourage each of you to feel free to share your thoughts and opinions with me, as we begin to set the direction for St. John in Ontario and nation-wide.

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