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ATTN: CATHERINE PARSONS TREASURER NEA MEMORIAL GARDENS INC. 17 EVERSON'S ROAD FLATROCK NL A1K 1M4

Subject: Notification of registration as a charity for NEA Memorial Gardens Inc.

Catherine Houlihan-Parsons,

We are pleased to inform you that NEA Memorial Gardens Inc. meets the requirements for tax-exempt status as a registered charity under the Income Tax Act.

Along with the privileges of registered status come some obligations. This letter includes important information about how a registered charity is required to operate and what it is obligated to do. Please take the time to review this information and keep this letter for future reference.

You should also give a copy of this letter and any enclosed materials to the person responsible for filling out NEA Memorial Gardens Inc.'s annual Form T3010, Registered Charity Information Return.

If you have questions, please call our Client Service Section at 1-800-267-2384.

Yours sincerely,

Cathy Baker Senior Charities Analyst for Sharmila Khare, **Director General** Charities Directorate

Attachments



## Registration information for NEA Memorial Gardens Inc.

- Official name: NEA Memorial Gardens Inc.

- Business number: 751639147RR0001

- Effective date of registration: January 15, 2023

- **Designation**: Charitable Organization

- Fiscal period end: December 31

- Due date for first Form T3010, Registered Charity Information Return: June 30, 2024, for the fiscal period ending December 31, 2023

# - Reason for registration:

We granted the charity charitable registration based on the information it gave in its application and on the purposes in its governing document of November 17, 2022, issued under the Corporations Act of Newfoundland and Labrador. The charity should have a governance structure in place that makes sure it meets all the requirements of maintaining charitable status. This includes regularly reviewing the purposes in its governing document.

#### Important information

# New and future activities

We registered the charity based on the purposes in its governing document and the activities described in its application for registration. If the charity carries out new activities that are not charitable, or that are beyond the scope of the purposes it was first registered for, it risks losing its registered charity status.

You should contact us if you want to carry out new programs and activities that are different from those we already approved. You should describe in detail these new or proposed activities or programs so we can determine if they are acceptable. For more information, contact our Client Service Section.

## Official donation receipts

### Issuing official donation receipts for gifts made to a charity

The charity can issue official receipts for gifts it receives. A gift is a voluntary transfer of property in which the donor does not receive an advantage or payment in return. Only gifts of property (for example cash, computers, and equipment) are eligible for a donation receipt, and the receipt must be for the fair market value of the gift.

Gifts of service, such as donated time or skill, are not gifts of property. They are not eligible for an official donation receipt. However, a charity can pay for services and later accept all or part of the payment back as a gift from the service provider.

For more information, see Pamphlet P113, Gifts and Income Tax, by going to **canada.ca/charities-giving**, then clicking on "Guidance, videos, forms and more," followed by "Forms and publications."

### Eligible amount of a gift

When a donor receives an advantage in return for a donation, the charity may be able to issue a split receipt.

An advantage is what a donor may receive in return for his or her donation (for example a meal or tickets to a show). Split receipting is the method used to calculate the eligible amount of a gift for receipting purposes when the donor has received an advantage in return for a donation. For more information about gifts and issuing receipts, go to **canada.ca/cra-operating-a-registered-charity** and select "Issuing receipts or receiving donations."

# **Dissolution clause**

The dissolution clause in the charity's governing document does not meet the requirements of the Income Tax Act. Although we are not insisting that you amend the clause at this time, the charity must make sure it fully meets the legal requirements.

Generally, a dissolution clause requires a registered charity to transfer its remaining assets to qualified donees upon dissolution (when it ends its operations). Under the Act, qualified donees are organizations that can issue official donation receipts for gifts that individuals and corporations make to them. Registered charities are one example of a qualified donee. Others include Canadian municipalities and registered Canadian amateur athletic associations. For a complete list of qualified donees, go to canada.ca/charities-giving, and select "List of charities and other qualified donees."

However, when a notice of intention to revoke the registration of a charity has been issued, a registered charity can transfer assets only to eligible donees during the winding-up period. In general terms, an eligible donee is a registered charity in good standing with the CRA that is at arm's length from the donating charity.

For more information, refer to Policy Statement CSP E09, Eligible Donee, by going to **canada.ca/charities-giving**, then selecting "A to Z index of topics for charities."

#### Tax shelters

The CRA has serious concerns about abusive tax shelter gifting arrangements and cautions registered charities about becoming involved in such schemes. A tax shelter gifting arrangement typically promises participants tax savings greater than their cost to participate, allowing participants to "profit" when donating the tax shelter property to a charity.

Although certain tax shelter arrangements may be legitimate, we intend to audit most or all that involve charitable gifts. To date these audits have resulted in our reassessing thousands of participants and collecting billions of dollars.

Registered charities that are found to have knowingly taken advantage of their tax-receipting privileges by participating in abusive or fraudulent tax shelter gifting arrangements, or that do not devote their resources to legitimate charitable activities, will face substantial monetary penalties or have their registered charitable status revoked, or both. Registered charities and their directors may also have to pay third-party civil penalties for being involved in gifting arrangements.

More information about tax shelter gifting arrangements can be found at **canada.ca/charities-giving**, then selecting "A to Z index of topics for charities."

### Keep in touch

### **Online services**

We encourage you to take advantage of all the online services for charities in My Business Account. Go there to:

- fill out and send your Form T3010, Registered Charity Information Return
- update and manage your account information
- check the status of your file
- send and receive correspondence

For more information on My Business Account, go to **canada.ca/charities-giving** and select "My business account for charities".

## **Electronic mailing list**

To get updates when we add new information to the Charities and giving webpages, go to **canada.ca/charities-whats-new** and subscribe to the "Charities and giving – What's new" electronic mailing list. For more information about the obligations of registered charities and other qualified donees, go to **canada.ca/charities-giving**.

#### Webinars

A webinar is an interactive presentation similar to a charities information session. But, instead of a face-to-face presentation, it is an hour-long, interactive online session. For more information, go to **canada.ca/charities-giving**, then clicking on "Guidance, videos, forms and more," followed by "Videos and recorded webinars for charities and donors."

# Goods and services tax/harmonized sales tax (GST/HST)

For questions about the GST/HST, go to canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/tax/businesses/topics/gst-hst-businesses.html or call 1-800-959-5525.

## Any other questions:

Check out our webpages at **canada.ca/charities-giving**. You can also call our Client Service Section at **1-800-267-2384** or at **1-800-665-0354** for teletypewriter (TTY) service for persons with a hearing or speech impairment.