



Media Advisory

June 10, 2016

Teaming up to end youth homelessness

Edmontonians will be running and walking through Whitemud Park on Sunday, June 12 to raise awareness and support towards ending youth homelessness in the fourth annual Homeward Walk|Run.

Yardstick and Homeward Trust Edmonton have teamed up to support the vital services iHuman, YESS, E4C, and The John Howard Society provide for homeless and at-risk youth in our community.

The 2014 Edmonton Homeless Count identified 549 homeless children and youth under the age of 25: 28% of Edmonton's homeless population. The number of homeless youth and their need to access appropriate services prompted Homeward Trust to release *The Community Strategy to End Youth Homelessness in Edmonton* in 2015.

Walk|Run participants have the choice of a 5 kilometre walk or run, a 10 kilometre run, and there will be a one kilometre kids' fun run. **Find** will be firing up the barbeque and cooking up hotdogs afterwards for this family friendly event.

Date: Sunday, June 12, 2016

Place: Whitemud Park, Picnic Site #1 (12505 Keillor Rd NW)

Time: 9:00 a.m. onsite registration
9:40 a.m. welcome
10:00 a.m. Walk|Run begins

Homeward Trust Chief Executive Officer, Susan McGee, will be available to speak to media before and after the event.

For more information:

Christine Chomiak
Media & Communications Coordinator
Homeward Trust Edmonton
cchomiak@homewardtrust.ca
780.868.9958