

# Risk Management

"Better Safe than Sorry"





## What is Risk Management?

- An approach to reducing the chances of injury, damage or loss by taking steps to
  - **➤**Identify Risk
  - ➤ Measure (analyze) Risk
  - **≻**Control Risk
  - **≻**Evaluate





### Would you be prepared to deal with.....

- Police charge a 25-year-old for allegedly embezzling money (\$2.5 million) from the Salvation Army, where he worked as a senior property accountant.
- A volunteer was operating a pallet truck in order to move fencing. When the
  pallet truck stalled on a ramp, another volunteer attempted to push it up the
  ramp with a fork lift. The driver of the pallet truck lost control and a handle
  used to operate the truck swung around pinning the volunteer's leg against a
  battery pack case on the truck. This resulted in a fracture to the left leg of the
  worker.
- A teen dies in a motor vehicle accident after leaving your festival. The autopsy shows there was alcohol in their system. Your board members are charged with serving a minor.



### Why is Risk Management Important?

- It helps the organization practice good business management
  - helps improve customer service and public image
  - helps reduce insurance costs
  - helps organizations and individuals defend themselves in a lawsuit
  - it reduces injuries to participants
  - it protects staff, volunteers and board of directors
  - it reduces the occurrence of harmful disputes
  - it enables the organization to govern more effectively
  - insurers and funding agencies/partners may require it



#### Examples of negative risks...

- Fraud, theft or embezzlement
- Loss of key staff and/or volunteers
- Board/staff mismanagement
- Fines, penalties, non-compliance to government requirements





#### Predictable risks.....

- 1. Fiscal matters
- 2. Human resource matters
- 3. Technology and intellectual property matters
- 4. Regulatory matters





#### Fiscal Risks

- Property loss
- Asset loss, damage or theft
- Misappropriation of funds
- Event mishaps, lack of attendance





#### **Human Resource Matters**

- Loss of key staff/volunteers
- Staff/volunteer performance issues
- Training and development
- Health & Safety





#### Technology and intellectual property matters

- Catalogue of valuable assets
- Computer Crashes & Viruses
- Phones, Fax & Copier Malfunction
- Information Protection
- Website Content
- Social Media







#### Regulatory Matters

- Tax Filings
- Incorporation Review
- By-Law Review
- Insurance
- Health & Safety
- Ministry of Labour









## Who will do Risk Management?

- Board of Director's
- Staff
- Volunteers
- Contractor's
- Team Effort!





#### Risk Management Committee

- knowledgeable about risk management and monitoring
- mix of volunteers, staff and board
- mix of program/activity knowledge
  - Administration
  - Sponsorship
  - Security
  - Marketing
  - Entertainment
- legal expert
- insurance expert
- finance/accounting/auditing

- Finance
- Volunteer Management
- Venue Management
- Concessions
- Amusements



#### Establish Terms of Reference

- purpose
- accountability
- authority
- membership
- terms of office





#### Where do we start?

- Identify
- Measure (assess)
- Control
- Evaluate





#### Risk Assessment Matrix

	RIS	K ASSES	SSMEN	IT MATRIX	0	
Severity	Probability					
		Frequent A	Likely B	Occasional C	Seldom D	Unitely E
Catastrophic	10	E	E	H-	н	м
Critical	-	E	н	н	м	- L
Marginal		н	М	м	L	L
Negligible	IV	М	L	L	L	L
E-Extremely High		H-High	M-Moderate		L-Low	

#### Identify.....

- identify potential, predictable risks
- careful and critical review of facilities,
   equipment, programs, events and people
- inspections, surveys, review of current practices
- understand the concept of negligence, including duty and standard of care





### Measure (Analyze)

- Determine risk tolerance
- Review detailed records (reports/data)
- Measure the severity of the risk
- Measure the frequency of the risk







#### Control

- Retain the risk
- Reduce the risk
- Transfer the risk
- Avoid the risk





#### **Evaluate**

- Following your event, revisit your plan
- Discuss what risks evolved
- Could the issue be handled differently next time?
- Update your plan





## A good risk management plan.....

• is an appropriate, reasonable and affordable "mix" of strategies, suited to an organization's needs, circumstances and resources.





## Risk Management Tools

- Insurance
- Waivers
- Contracts
- Health & Safety Program
- Policies & Procedures
- Manual/Handbooks
- Signage
- Training
- Emergency Response Plan
- Asset Protection Plan
- Communication/Media Plan







## Summary: The RM Planning Process

Step 1 Assign responsibility for risk management and

develop terms of reference.

Step 2 Complete a risk assessment.

Step 3 Select appropriate measures to control these risks. Evaluate risk control measures in light of:

- magnitude of risk
- standard of care
- resources that you have

Step 4 Implement your risk control measures.

Step 5 Review and adjust your plan on a regular basis





## Resources/Reference Materials

www.ibc.ca Insurance Bureau of Canada

<u>www.nonprofitscan.ca</u> NonprofitsCan – Imagine Canada

<u>www.volunteer.ca</u> Volunteer Canada

<u>www.charityvillage.com</u> Charity Village

<u>www.charitylaw.ca</u> Carters Professional Corporation

www.nonprofitrisk.org Nonprofit Risk Management Centre

www.myriskmanagementplan.org Nonprofit Risk Management Centre



## Questions??????

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