

# Q1 NEWSLETTER

Tanzanian Community Association of Calgary

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First Release

Tanzanian Community Association of Calgary (TCAC) is a non-profit community organization committed to supporting collaboration among its members through a common heritage and shared interests to improve their lives and fit into the Calgarian community.

TCAC organizes spring, summer, fall and winter activities to engage its members and share its values with other community organizations in the area.

TCAC also participates in events organized by other community organizations to improve the relationship and



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build strong bonds within the community we live in.

**This Newsletter, released quarterly, summarizes community activities and events that TCAC members were engaged in Q1 of 2018.**

In a nutshell, these activities are: -

1. Calgary Police Services (CPS) Diversity Fair.
2. African Night 2018.
3. Black History Month Event.
4. Q1 Board Meeting.



# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

## CPS Diversity Fair

On January 11th, TCAC was invited to attend a diversity fair organized by the Calgary Police Services.

This event gave our members an opportunity to show case the Tanzanian cultural artifacts, engage with and introduce TCAC to other community associations in town.

In the diversity fair, African continent was represented by Tanzanian's and Ethiopian's community

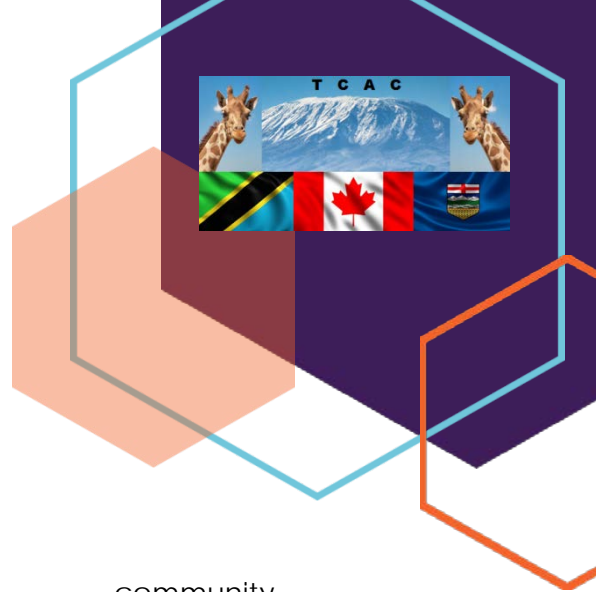
associations.

Other community associations attended the fair are Venezuela and Guyana representing South America, India and Pakistan (South Asia), Israel, Iraq and Syria from the Middle East.

Other Minority groups invited were the Metis and LGBT

community.

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## African Night 2018

On January 27th, Tanzanian Community Associations of Edmonton and Red Deer invited TCAC to the African Night Event hosted in Edmonton.

This was a great opportunity to support and show our solidarity within the Tanzanian communities in Alberta.

The event was full of joy,

African music, history and food.

"This could be the first step towards merging the Tanzanian communities in the region to achieve a common goal of making a difference in our societies" said Almunir Walji, one of the members who represented TCAC in the event.



## Black History Month Event

On February 8th, TCAC was represented at the Alberta Premier's Black History Month Event happened in Calgary.

"It was such an honor to mingle with such high-level government members and discuss issues that impact our communities and how to move forward as Albertans" said Raymond Njiku, TCAC's VP who represented our community in this event.

The VP was fortunate to hear the Premier speak and listen to her commitment and

dedication towards the plight of black people in this province and that our story is worth telling.

"As the VP of TCAC I have since felt even more proud to represent our organization and help our community integrate into the place we call home i.e. Calgary, Alberta" added Raymond.



## Q1 Board Meeting

On March 3rd, the Board met for the first time this year to talk about the following: -

1. Meetings and Events Planning
2. Community and Office Space Grants
3. Charity
4. Organization's Logo
5. Finances and Account Signatory Transfer
6. Constitutional Reform
7. Other.

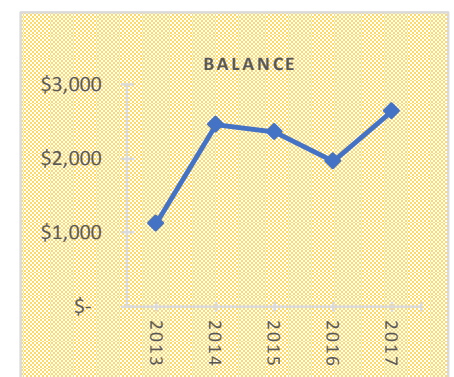
The outcome of this meeting is as documented in the [180303 - Meeting Minutes](#) sent to all members by Email and

WhatsApp messaging services on March 9.

The status of the organization's finances was also presented in the Board meeting.

"The two key goals we set for ourselves at the end of last year were to reach out to more members through community engagements, emails and social media and improve our finances by applying for grants and seeking for big donors to be

less dependent on members' monetary contributions, said Juma Mzungu Omary, TCAC Secretary General, in the Q1 Board meeting.



## Upcoming Events

**May 12** – Community Potluck

**June** – Q2 Board Meeting

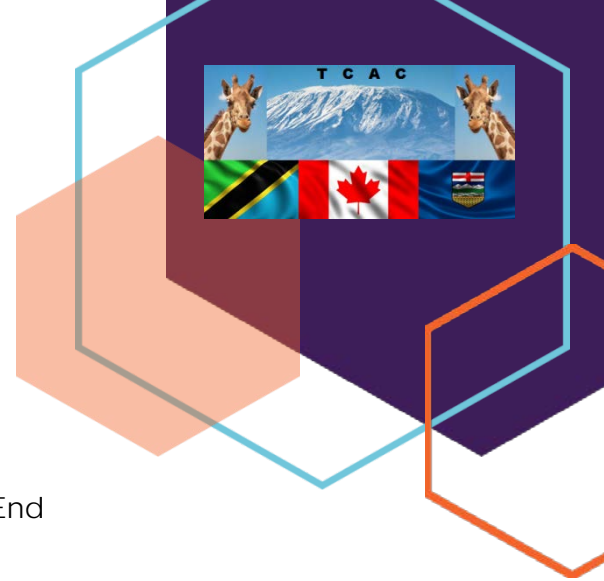
**August 4** – BBQ & Sports Event

**August** – Q3 Board Meeting

**September** – Tanzanian  
Communities in Alberta  
Executives Meeting

**October** – Q4 Board and  
Annual General Meeting

**November / December** – End  
of Year Party



## MISSION STATEMENT

The Tanzanian Community Association of Calgary is committed to facilitating successful socio-cultural integration of Tanzanians residing in Calgary. We value the importance of sharing, gathering as a community within the greater society of Canada where we live. The value of this association shall be reflected on various social cultural and economic exchanges that will foster valuable integration into The Canadian society with subsequent improvement in wellbeing of newly arriving and existing members of the association.

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