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CLV Family Support February Newsletter

Greetings!

We hope you have had a great start to the new year!
Please take a few minutes to peruse this month's newsletter as there are many great events and resources in our community in February!

Sincerely,
Lori Frank & Lara Foster
CLV Family Support

Upcoming CLV Events & Programs

Second Wave Meeting
Date: Thursday, February 2nd
Time: 7-9pm
Location: Community Living Victoria, 3861 Cedar Hill Cross Rd
Topic: The topic is Community Inclusion. We will explore current community inclusion initiatives for young adults from a number of agencies and we will also look at the InclusionWorks! model. In addition we will touch on initiatives in the planning stage and how individualized funding can work.

Second Wave follows a familyWORKs meeting in the same location from 6-7 pm. FamilyWorks will be presenting on Teenworks.

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Community Living Victoria Presents

West Shore Transition Planning

A series of workshops on Concepts, Considerations, and How To's

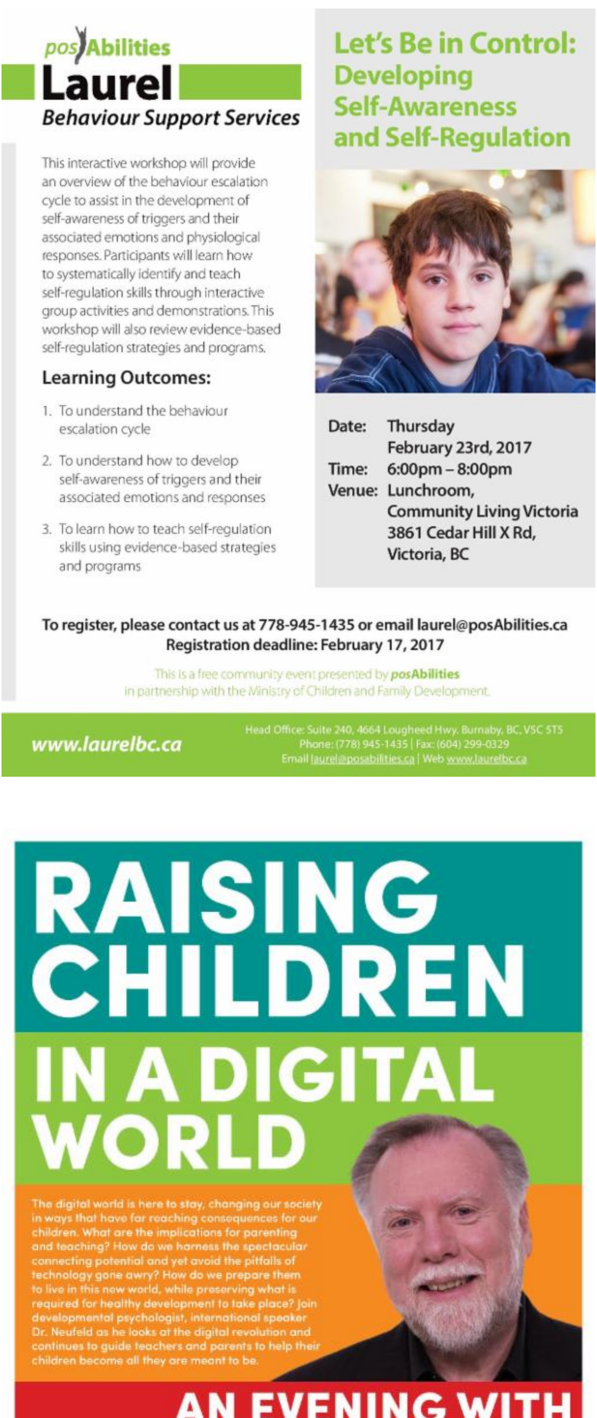
Please join us for a series of information sessions that will help youth plan for the transition into adulthood. Regardless of where a youth is at you will find helpful and practical information in this series. These evenings are open to parents, professionals and the youth who are transitioning between the ages of 14 and 25 years old. Registration is not required and there is no fee to attend. Sessions will alternate between Royal Bay Secondary School and Edward Milne Community School.

Date & Time	Topic	Location
Oct 19, 2016 7 - 9 pm	Representation Agreements, Financial Planning, PWD, RDSP	Royal Bay 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way
Nov 16th, 2016 7 - 9 pm	Transition Planning Roles	Edward Milne 6218 Sooke Rd
Jan 18th, 2017 7 - 9 pm	Education & Employment Options	Royal Bay 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way
Feb 15th, 2017 7 - 9 pm	**Community Inclusion**	**Edward Milne 6218 Sooke Rd**
April 19th, 2017 7 - 9 pm	Housing Options	Royal Bay 3500 Ryder Hesjedal Way
May 17th, 2017 7 - 9 pm	Advocacy	Edward Milne 6218 Sooke Rd

Other Community Events & Programs

Smiles 4 Canada

Smiles 4 Canada is a program run by the Canadian Foundation for the Advancement of Orthodontics (CFAO) in conjunction with the Canadian Association of Orthodontists (CAO). The program facilitates the orthodontic treatment of deserving young Canadians who would otherwise not be able to afford treatment. Read more about Smiles 4 Canada here!



Resources & News

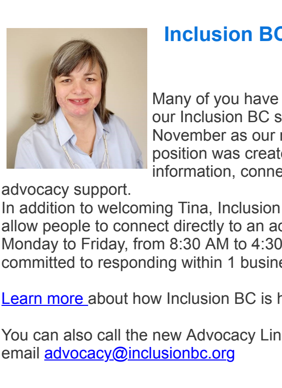
2017 Recreation Integration Victoria Summer Inclusion Service Request

RECREATION INTEGRATION VICTORIA

If you would like to request a Summer Inclusion worker for your child or youth from Recreation Integration Victoria, their request form is now available. For more information on this program please contact RIV at 250-477-6314.

Click here for the application form!

InclusionWorks! Guide book



InclusionWorks! is pleased to provide you with a link to a copy of our new Guidebook, Together To Work: A Guide to Developing an Employment-Focused Family-Governed Group:

http://www.inclusionworks.ca/getting-started/step-by-step/

This new guide, funded with the support of the Vancouver Foundation, is meant to assist self-advocates and families considering starting a user- or family-governed group and to aid them in meeting their employment goals. The guide will also be helpful to professionals and policymakers thinking about new ways to support self-advocates and families to live self-determined lives.

Along with the guide you will find a plain-language version and numerous sample templates. We hope that these are helpful to you. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either Arlene or Catriona.

Inclusion BC's new Community Advocate & toll free help line!

Many of you have already met Tina Dam, the latest addition to our Inclusion BC staff team. Tina joined Inclusion BC last November as our new Community Inclusion Advocate. This position was created to improve our ability to share information, connect people to local resources and provide advocacy support.

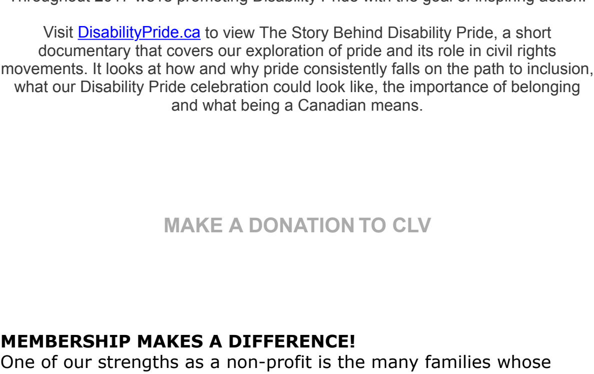
In addition to welcoming Tina, Inclusion BC has launched a new advocacy line to allow people to connect directly to an advocate. The advocacy line is monitored Monday to Friday, from 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Members of our advocacy team are committed to responding within 1 business day.

Learn more about how Inclusion BC is here to help you.

You can also call the new Advocacy Line (Toll-free) at 1-844-488-4321 or email advocacy@inclusionbc.org

inclusionBC 60th Anniversary 1955 – 2015

2017 is the year for Disability Pride: Celebrate inclusion with the rest of Canada!



Inclusion BC is launching a year-long celebration of Disability Pride as part of the official Canada 150+ celebrations, marking our country's 150th anniversary. Funded in part by Canadian Heritage, we are excited to be offering grants to help include people with intellectual disabilities as leaders and contributors in existing community activities, causes or celebrations across British Columbia. Citizens with intellectual disabilities are essential to the Canadian mosaic. Throughout 2017 we're promoting Disability Pride with the goal of inspiring action.

Visit DisabilityPride.ca to view The Story Behind Disability Pride, a short documentary that covers our exploration of pride and its role in civil rights movements. It looks at how and why pride consistently falls on the path to inclusion, what our Disability Pride celebration could look like, the importance of belonging and what being a Canadian means.

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MEMBERSHIP MAKES A DIFFERENCE!
One of our strengths as a non-profit is the many families whose sons and daughters have or are presently receiving services through our various programs-as well as the many caregivers, friends and volunteers who have made a commitment to the organization. Membership can play a strong role in ensuring the continuation and growth of services and supports. Membership gives you a voice in the governance and direction of Community Living Victoria. Please join us and download a membership application HERE!

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Family Support Program
As always, we're happy to connect with you and your family to find out how we can be a valuable resource for you. To learn more please visit our website.

Events Line
Please visit our website or phone our information line (250) 477-7231 ext. 221 to learn what is happening locally and provincially.

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