CFYS E-News – September 26th, 2019

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CFYS updates and events

No news to report, more to come in two weeks. Stay tuned!

Events

Youth Mindfulness - Information Session – YMCA
Downtown and Westhills YMCA-YWCA are still taking registrations for our Mindfulness Groups for young adults 18-30 who experience mild to moderate anxiety. This is a 7 week closed group program facilitated by clinical counsellors using Mindfulness and ACT to support those living with stress, worry or anxiety.
Location: Victoria/ Westhills, BC
Date: October 2nd, 2019
More information

The Impact of Entertainment Media on Today’s Youth
The Impact of Entertainment Media on Today’s Youth presented by Shannon Husk. Shannon will share current information regarding screen time, social media and video gaming. Participants will receive insights and information about current media trends, look at the benefits of entertainment media and strategies on how to support youth who struggle with online challenges such as porn and video game addiction and anxiety.
Location: Quadra Village Community Centre in the Youth Centre (901 Kings Rd)
Date: October 7th, 2019 @ 11:30AM – 1:00PM
More information

Rallying for Change – Fostering Change
Fostering Change is holding a peaceful public demonstration to showcasing our strength in numbers to
show government our passion about positive policy outcomes. There will be a few speeches and a big show of support for youth in care, alumni of care, peers, friends and family in the community. If you like creating change, this event is for you!

Location: Vancouver, BC
Date: September 28th, 2019 @ 2:00 – 4:00 PM
More information

Policy Solutions Day 2019 – Fostering Change
We have the privilege for the third annual year to bring youth from care to Victoria on October 23rd, 2019. We ask you to join us in meeting with policy professionals and many other organizations in helping to change legislation surrounding AYA’s so that they are made "universal and comprehensive for all youth aging out of care." This means we want all youth, regardless of where they are in their life, to be able to access all the supports they need to not only survive but thrive. Last year - Policy Solutions Day 2018 - 45 youth had over 25 meetings with policy professionals to change to policies that affect their lives daily. You can find a little of what we spoke about in this policy memo. At Policy Solutions Day you can expect to use some journalism and speaking skills you already know - or we can help you learn - in speaking to organizations and MLAs to make our ask heard!

Location: Victoria, BC
Date: October 23rd, 2019
More information

Workshops
Nurturing Social and Emotional Development with Children’s Literature – Child Care Resource and Referral
This workshop will introduce the idea of using children’s literature as a way to nurture children’s social and emotional development. Through book sharing, we can help children explore topics such as: developing healthy expressions of anger, mindfulness, labeling feelings, developing personal boundaries and making friends. In addition to book sharing, participants will be inspired to create meaningful play-based experiences that extend from the books they explore with children in their care. Presenter, Andrea Dawson, has worked with young children and their families for the past 20 years, and has supervised in non-profit and inclusive early childhood programs. Currently, Andrea teaches as a full time faculty in the ECE Diploma Program at Langara College.

Location: Victoria, BC
Date: September 30th, 2019 @ 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM
More information

Growing Great Families Program – Fernwood NRG
Every month at the Mustard Seed, hundreds of families, who are food insecure, receive groceries from the Mustard Seed Market. Growing Great Families will be offered for these families to attend. The program will offer lunch and will have a focused topic each week including parenting, food and nutrition, money skills, and other information that parents have shown interest in learning about. The goal of Growing Great Families is to meet families where they are at and extend resources and support to all. The partnership between the Mustard Seed Family Center and Fernwood NRG will combine staff knowledge and skills for parents who access this new program. This idea of meeting the needs of families in unique ways is not new to either of our organizations. The Coalition of Neighbourhood Houses has had a partnership called the Food By Neighbourhood Pilot with the Mustard Seed Street Church and Food Bank for a few years. Through this program, families are able to pick up a monthly food

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hamper from their local community centre or neighbourhood house, if they aren’t able to make it to the Mustard Seed.
Location: 625 Queens Ave, Victoria, BC
Dates: Every Monday @ 11:00AM – 1:00PM
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**Game Changer Youth Employment Program – Intercultural Association of Greater Victoria (ICA)**
The Game Changer program is designed to develop participant’s skills in planning their career path and connect their talent to meaningful employment opportunities. If you are an immigrant young adult age 18 – 24 residing in British Columbia, who are not attending school full-time, currently unemployed or precariously employed, and meet the minimum English language proficiency requirement, this is just the right program for you! The Game Changer program offers participants 8 weeks of in-class employability skills training and full-time paid training, not to mention other financial supports such as transportation! Above all, at the end of this program, you will learn different resourceful skills that make you a stand-out candidate among all other job applicants!
Location: Victoria, BC
Date: September 30th, 2019
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**VNFC 50th Anniversary**
The Victoria Native Friendship Centre will celebrate on the territory of the Lekwungan Peoples on whose land we live, work and play. The Celebration starts with an Opening Circle to acknowledge the local traditional territory on whose land we live, work, and play. Throughout the day there will be different musical sounds and a diversity of traditional Indigenous performers such as singers, dancers, and drummers. Eat tasty food and drink cold beverages from Victoria’s local Food Trucks. Enjoy the weather outside and visit our bouncy castle, photo booth, two lane obstacle course, and human foosball. There are various lawn games set up with a chance to win several prizes. Visit Arts and Crafts and Kids areas; sip on a cup of Caffe Fantastico’s Coffee in the gym while browsing the photos from the CJPME exhibition; learn how to do traditional beading, then when you are ready, enjoy a game Bingo with our Elders.
Location: 231 Regina Ave, Victoria, BC
Date: September 29th, 2019 @ 9:00AM – 5:00PM
More information

**94 Calls to Action Workshop**
What is the Truth and Reconciliation Commission Report and how it relates to the church and its relationship with Indigenous people? Come join us for a day and gain a better understanding of why reconciliation of our history and relationship with First Nations is so important! Some of our past participants have said that they left with hope and confidence that they could make a difference and would put what they learned into action! This is a free event with lunch provided. Mark this special day on your calendar and we cannot wait to see you!
Location: St Stephen Church, 7921 St Stephen Rd, Victoria, BC
Dates: October 5th, 2019 RSVP September 30th, 2019
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**Job and volunteer opportunities**
Art Educator – Bateman Foundation
The Bateman Foundation was founded to inspire a lasting relationship with nature through the lens of art and is currently one of the only non-profits in Canada primarily using artwork to promote a connection to nature and the environment. The Foundation offers a variety of education programs such as gallery, classroom & outdoor to students from Kindergarten to University. They are looking for someone who has a passion for art, nature & working with students of all ages.
Location: Victoria, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled
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Art Teacher – Bateman Foundation
The Bateman Foundation has developed a program called Nature Sketch. Nature Sketch aims to inspire an appreciation of the natural world using a pencil and a sketchbook, offering a cultural lens for exploring the outdoors. Participants learn about the wildlife and different habitats using established eco-literacy principles and sketching inspiration from world-renowned artist and naturalist Robert Bateman. This year, they will be working with several groups of elementary and high school students at risk/special needs who are suffering from mental health challenges such as depression and anxiety in Vancouver. This work is offered through a partnership between ourselves and other local and national organizations.
Location: Vancouver, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled
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Indigenous Education Projects Assistant – University of Victoria
The IED Projects assistant will support initiatives in the department of Indigenous Education with various activities related to “telling the IED story”. This may include collecting and writing stories for the IED newsletter, collecting and writing stories that tell the story of Indigenous community impact of IED programming, organizing resources for instructors and educators of Indigenous education online or in print; supporting research and/or writing required for program initiatives, and supporting the organization of special events related to the above activities and initiatives.
Location: Victoria, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled
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Student Employment Assistant – LE,NONET
The LE,NONET Student Employment Assistant will assist the LE,NONET Experiential Learning Coordinator in tasks relating to the planning, marketing, delivery and tracking of employment related events and opportunities. Some of the duties for the Student Employment Assistant will include but not limited to assisting with event and activity planning and delivery (e.g., Mock Interview Clinics, employer events, focus groups, campus visits, etc.); assisting with employer outreach, promotion and marketing, and maintaining and updating a centralized employer outreach database.
Location: Victoria, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled
More information

Executive Assistant to Principal – Glenlyon Norfolk School (GNS)
GNS is an independent day school that is a caring and thriving community. The Executive Assistant is
responsible for overseeing the senior school office and providing administrative support to teachers and the senior school leadership team. This position provides exceptional service to students, staff and parents and exemplifies a caring, can-do attitude in support of GNS’s mission and values. Demonstrating initiative and pride in performance, this role contributes positively to a respectful and productive work environment and facilitates strong professional relationships within the GNS community.

Location: Victoria, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled

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Support Network Facilitators – Lifetime Networks
Lifetime Networks is a not for profit organization that helps people with developmental disabilities make friends and connect to their communities. They are looking for a part-time Support Network Facilitator for a new Network to recruit, motivate and support a small group of volunteers as they develop and maintain relationships with the person with developmental disabilities at the centre of the network. The successful candidate will develop a strong relationship with the Focus Person (individual with developmental disabilities); recruit volunteers and supervise a small network of friendship around the Focus Person; liaise and support the individual and their family in nurturing these friendships, and more.

Location: Victoria, BC
Application deadline: Until-filled

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For more job listings and volunteer opportunities:
UVic Learning in Motion
UVic Careers
WorkBC
Volunteer Victoria

Conferences
University of Calgary Satellite Event – Vanier Institute of the Family
Werklund School of Education will be hosting a FAM2019 satellite event, featuring panels and presentations with local programming that will explore themes and topics of interest to Albertans through a family lens. The Werklund School of Education runs Undergraduate (Education) and Graduate (Educational Psychology) programs in Counselling Psychology and School and Applied Child Psychology at the University of Calgary. It is also home to the Social Development Research Team (SDRT), which generates quality Canadian research on multiple aspects of social development across the lifespan.

Location: Calgary
Date: October 8th, 2019

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Supporting Families: Mind, Body and Spirit – BC Association of Pregnancy Outreach Programs (BCPOP)
This 3-day professional development event, with an optional pre-conference session will focus on physical, nutritional, mental/emotional, social, and cultural support for perinatal women. The BCAPOP conference is designed to offer delegates training sessions that provide practical information, a deeper understanding of issues faced by marginalized women living in conditions of risk and strategies to support their day to day work. Not to mention that this is a great opportunity to network with other professionals in the field too!
Location: Richmond, BC  
Dates: October 9th – 11th, 2019  
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**Start the Conversation**  
Start the Conversation is a mental health awareness conference that connects West Shore youth with mental health organizations as well as gives them the knowledge and skills to positively impact their mental health in their everyday life. They are currently looking for organizations to showcase at their conference on October 10th, 2019 (world mental health day) at Belmont Secondary School in Langford. They are looking for mental health organizations but would also welcome any organization that directly or indirectly benefits a youth's mental health.  
Location: Belmont Secondary School, Langford, BC  
Date: October 10th, 2019 @ 10:00AM – 2:00PM  
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**Heart Mind 2019: The Art and Science of Calm**  
This conference features the latest science and practice related to cultivating calm and balance in our lives – at home, school and in our community. In this one-day experiential conference, presenters will explore evidence-informed ways to support children and youth in a fast-paced world and share practical strategies that fit into our daily routines to reduce stress and promote well-being. Participants will experience the calming effects of mindfulness, nature, music, Indigenous knowledge, human connection, and more, while connecting with like-minded and like-hearted people.  
Location: Magee Secondary School, 6360 Maple St., Vancouver, BC  
Date: October 25th, 2019 @ 8:30AM – 4:30PM  
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**BC Aboriginal Child Care Society (BCACCS) Annual Provincial Training Conference: Our Languages, Our Teachings, Our Ways**  
At BCACCS, a primary focus of our training and professional development events is to translate our culturally rich traditions into effective early learning and child care (ELCC) programs and services. We believe that community involvement, leadership, and support are central to the healthy, holistic development of Indigenous children. We support early childhood education professionals to design and deliver programs and services that are immersed in our cultures and communities.  
Location: 7551 Westminster Hwy, Richmond, BC  
Dates: October 25th – 27th, 2019  
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**Coming Together: Breaking Down Silos to Serve Children and Youth**  
This learning event is an opportunity for DAA, MCFD, and community sector staff to come together, build relationships, and deepen their understanding of the different roles, supports, and services that make up our sector. This two-day learning event is intended for people who lead teams working with children and youth with complex needs: Team Leads, Program Supervisors, Program Managers, Directors of Practice, Directors of Operations, Consultants. Workshops and presentations will focus on strength-based programming on topics such as complex behaviours, family well-being and preservation, resilience, mental health, cultural connectedness, and trauma-informed practice.  
Location: Pacific Gateway Hotel, 3500 Cessna Drive, Richmond, BC
25th Annual Indigenous Education Conference – First Nations Education Steering Committee

The First Nations Education Steering Committee’s 25th Annual Indigenous Education Conference brings people together to share their knowledge and enthusiasm for helping First Nations learners reach their full potential and transform relationships for the advancement of quality First Nations education. This year, the conference features concurrent workshops, exhibitors, plenary presentations and networking opportunities.

Location: Westin Bayshore Hotel, Vancouver, BC
Dates: November 28th – 30th, 2019

Present your research

The 9th International Research Conference on Adolescents and Adults with FASD: Review, Respond and Relate – Integrating Research, Policy and Practice Around the World

As individuals diagnosed with FASD continue to age, the “need to know” across a broad spectrum of areas is becoming critically important for identifying clinically relevant research questions and directions. This interactive 2020 conference will provide an opportunity to be at the forefront of addressing these issues. We will welcome a diverse group of professionals, researchers, students, families and individuals with FASD. The Call for Abstracts is now open, deadline: September 13th, 2019.

Location: The Hyatt Regency, Vancouver, BC
Dates: April 22nd – 25th, 2020

Society for the Study of Human Development 11th Biennial Meeting – Stress, Resilience, and Character Development Across the Life Span

Stress may have long-term implications for several areas in the developmental sciences, including personality, family dynamics, cognition, health and well-being. However, there are many different types of resilience, which may mitigate the effects of stress. The SSHD Conference welcomes submission on this year’s theme, and especially welcomes submissions incorporating diverse scientific frameworks, including interdisciplinary scholarships.

Location: The Benson Hotel, Portland, Oregon
Dates: October 11th – 13th, 2019

Scholarships and bursaries

Technology and Entrepreneurship Scholarships for Indigenous Youth

Part of our organizational mission is to encourage and inspire Indigenous youth to choose entrepreneurship and technology as a career path. In 2015, Animikii launched the Technology and Entrepreneurship Scholarships for Indigenous Youth. This scholarship provides Indigenous youth in a post-secondary setting with a $500 scholarship for books, tuition, supplies or any other cost-of-living expenses related to their time in school.

Application deadline: October 30th, 2019
2019/20 Ch’nook Scholars Program
Ch’nook is now accepting applications for the 2019-2020 Scholars cohort! If any of your students are enrolled full-time in business studies at a BC post-secondary institution or at the University of Calgary throughout the 2019-2020 academic year, we invite you to forward this information to them and encourage them to submit an application. Ch’nook Scholars receive two $1,000 scholarships, expenses-paid attendance at two regional Gatherings hosted at UBC in Vancouver from 1-3 November and at a Ch’nook partner institution elsewhere in BC (location and dates TBA), professional headshots, business cards, networking opportunities, optional participation in a Ch’nook Graduation, and other benefits. Application deadline: October 13th, 2019 @11:59 PM
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Funding opportunities
Sense of Place Program – First People’s Cultural Council
'A Sense of Place: Reconnecting the Land through Indigenous Cultural Heritage’ offers up to $25,000 grants to B.C. First Nations communities and Indigenous organizations. The goal of this funding is to foster greater understanding of the connection and safeguarding practices between the land/environment and Indigenous cultural heritage, including Indigenous languages. FPCC recognizes that the loss of Indigenous heritage is profound and there is an urgent and immediate need to protect our cultural heritage now and into the future. We are excited to offer funding that supports B.C. First Nations communities’ efforts to protect their cultural heritage. Projects are expected to demonstrate how Indigenous cultural heritage is connected to the land, and explore how Indigenous knowledge, traditions and languages can be used to enforce community resilience and resurgence, particularly in the context of climate change, cumulative effects, pollution prevention (e.g., zero waste management and contamination), sustainable development, and/or land management and planning. Application deadline: October 18th, 2019
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Indigenous Heritage Micro-grants – First People’s Cultural Council
The Indigenous Heritage Micro-Grant (IHMG) Program is meant to support emergent activities on a one-time basis. Funding is up to $2,000. Project applications may include activities supporting the performance, preservation and/or sharing of Indigenous heritage, increasing knowledge sharing with elders, and assisting in the development of cultural heritage skills in Indigenous communities. Organizations must have a mandate or a focus that includes Indigenous heritage. Application deadline: October 18th, 2019
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2020 Full and Research Grants – Victoria Foundation
The Victoria Foundation is now accepting applications for funding through the Adoption and Permanency Fund of BC for projects in support of adoption and permanency-related initiatives in British Columbia that address one or more of the following goals: 1) Permanency, Lifelong Connections, and Successful Transitions for Youth in Care, 2) Legal and Cultural Permanency for Aboriginal Children and Youth in Care, 3) Enhance the understanding of adoption and permanency-related issues through innovative research that involves partnerships between the adoptive and academic communities. The Fund welcomes applications from charities and organizations across the province of British Columbia. Applicants do not have to be registered charities and applications from other associations and small
groups are welcome. Individual grants up to $20,000 each are available under this funding program. Application deadline: October 15\textsuperscript{th}, 2019 @ 4:00PM

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**SSHRC Connection Grants**
These grants support events and outreach activities geared toward short-term, targeted knowledge mobilization initiatives. These events and activities represent opportunities to exchange knowledge and to engage on research issues of value to those participating. Application deadlines: November 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2019; February 1\textsuperscript{st} and May 1\textsuperscript{st}, 2020

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*CIHR*
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*GSS Grants*

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