

## WHAT IS POWELL RIVER CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY SERVICES SOCIETY?

Powell River Child, Youth & Family Services Society is a non-profit society and a registered charity, operating under the governance of a volunteer Board of Directors representing a cross-section of the Powell River community.

The agency provides and hosts a variety of services for young people from birth to 19 years of age, and support to their families. Services are free, confidential, and available in the District of Powell River and surrounding areas.

## HOW TO REACH US

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Monday to Friday

## PROGRAM FUNDING IS PROVIDED THROUGH

- Ministry for Children & Family Development
- Partnership projects with School District #47 and other community agencies and groups



## MISSION STATEMENT

To provide a wide range of social support services and community development, based on current needs, for children and youth and their families

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**Referrals to the following programs can be made directly to Powell River Child, Youth & Family Services at (604) 485-3090:**

**EARLY CHILDHOOD AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS:** Community-based parent training and education groups, and limited individual support services, promoting parental competency and strengthening family life. The focus is on prevention, and healthy child and family development.

**PARENTS TOGETHER:** A weekly support group for parents of acting-up teens, focusing on building respect for the dignity and individuality of both parents and teens.

**YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL:** Regular planning group and activities that empower youth to provide leadership and problem-solving strategies regarding key identified health and social issues.

**PARENT-TEEN MEDIATION SERVICES:** Referrals for anger management, teen to teen mediation, and parent-teen mediation; open referral and service to School District #47.

**PARENTING AFTER SEPARATION:** Quarterly one-evening presentations of information for parents undergoing divorce or separation.

**INDEPENDENT LIVING SUPPORT:** Practical support in the areas of nutrition, housing, budgeting, self-care, social development and vocational planning for youth making the transition to independent living. Priority is for MCFD referrals.

**YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PILOT PROJECT (under development):** Supported housing and activities for high-risk youth ages 17-21 years transitioning to independent living

**Referrals for the following program must come through the courts or the Youth Probation Officer at (604) 485-0600:**

**YOUTH JUSTICE WORKER PROGRAM:** Community Work Service, Alternative Measures, and Intensive Supervision and Support for young offenders.

**YOUTH JUSTICE HOSTEL:** A residential home setting, provided as an alternative to remand or sentenced custody, for young offenders awaiting trial or disposition, or who are on an undertaking.

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**FAMILY PRESERVATION & REUNIFICATION:** Parent training and support services for families who are experiencing complex problems that may be multi-generational, and include such difficulties as historical abuse, grief and loss, a high degree of conflict and/or substance abuse. Services are provided in-centre or in the family's natural setting, as appropriate, and include group programs, individual outreach intervention, supervised access and home-maker services, as directed by MCFD.

**SUPPORT TO FOSTER CARE PROGRAM:** Support and training for MCFD foster homes, to sustain placement and enhance the ability of foster care providers to deal with a variety of situations and behaviours.



**The following other projects administered through PRCYFSS:**

**UNDERSTANDING THE EARLY YEARS – Sunshine Coast:** A 3-year (2005-2008) research and action project examining community factors influencing the growth and development of children 0-6 years in Powell River and Sunshine Coast.

**YOUTH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING FEASIBILITY STUDY:** Comprehensive study to determine the most feasible approach to providing accommodation and support services for homeless and at-risk of homelessness youth in Powell River.

**The following programs are located at the PRCYFSS office premises, but provided directly through MCFD:**

**CHILD & YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL COUNSELLING:** Clinical intervention and counselling for children & youth with identified mental health issues; includes suicide intervention program and counselling for young offenders.

**ROLLER COASTERS:** Helping young people manage the rollercoaster of divorce and separation. For ages 8-11 years.

**SEXUAL ABUSE INTERVENTION PROGRAM:** Treatment for children and youth who have been sexually abused.

**YOUTH FORENSICS COUNSELLING:** Counselling services for young offenders, including clinical intervention and court-ordered assessments.

