



## SOS Children's Village BC Programs Summary

### SOS Village:

- 15 foster families in Surrey, 17 caregivers, 5 youth in transition, and 52 children

### SOS Village – Surrey Campus:

- 5 homes, 5 transition suites, and a Village Community Centre on 2.5 acres

### Therapies: *Organizational commitment to a trauma-informed approach*

- **Neurofeedback Training:** One-of-a-kind service that optimizes brain function
- **Cognitive Remediation:** An individualized approach to strengthening skills and strategies for learning and comprehension in school, home and social communication
- **Expressive Arts:** Play Therapy, Art Therapy, Music Therapy, Drama Therapy & Narrative Therapy
- **Individual & Family Counselling:** Utilizing a variety of groups such as Girls Empowerment, Teen Art Expression, and Child Parent Relationship group

### Learning Clubs:

- Academic & social support for children in middle school

### Sounds of Learning Music Program:

- At local elementary schools group learning of various instruments and choral programs and in our Village Music Studio one-on-one guitar, piano, drum & singing lessons

### Camp, Recreation and Cultural Exploration Programs: *For children in foster care*

- Featuring Cirque Du Soleil SOS Social Circus, Feather outdoor experiential education through Indigenous lens

### Caregiver Support Program:

- Individual & group support for foster parents caring for vulnerable children

### Youth Programming:

- **Transition to Adulthood:** Support services for youth aged 16-24 to gain independent life skills
- **Youth Housing Year Intensive:** Live-in program utilizing transition suites at the Surrey Campus
- **Aftercare:** Our commitment to permanency, the program is a life-long engagement for SOS youth

### Fee-For-Service Programs:

- **Parent Driven Autism Services:** A new approach for children and youth aged 6-19; flexible and individualized private services

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## Looking Back on 2018...

- 15 families and 52 children and youth were part of our community-integrated Village
- Rent subsidies and no fee therapeutic/program support for Village families
- 17 Caregivers received support through Caregiver Support Services
- 100% high school graduation rate of youth in the Village compared to 40% for BC youth in foster care
- 82 children participated in our After School Learning Clubs
- 57 children and youth received free therapeutic services
- 86 children attended camps, recreation, and cultural programs
- 19 explored the Sounds of Learning music program
- 57 youth supported by Youth Workers in the Transition to Adulthood Program

### We also extended or piloted many other small projects:

- Indigenous artist Jay Havens worked with our kids over 9 weeks to create an amazing, culturally appropriate mural for the Village Centre
- Hummingbird Rising Consulting created a 6 week hən̓q̓əmin̓əm̓ language class from our traditional territory
- Sprouting Chefs provided healthy cooking classes with wild foods and gardening expertise
- Fireside Adventures facilitated an incredible 21 day summer camp expedition