



SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGE BRITISH COLUMBIA

SOS Children's Village BC Programs Summary 2016

SOS Village:

- 12 Foster Families in Surrey, 14 Caregivers and 48 children and youth

SOS Village – Surrey Campus:

- 5 homes, 3 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*

- 2016 will feature Cirque Du Soleil Social Circus

Caregiver Support:

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

Transition to Adulthood:

- Support services for youth aged 16-24 to gain independent life skills
- Year-long intensive live-in program will commence utilizing transition suites at the Surrey Campus

Youth Services – After Care:

- Our commitment to permanency, the program is a life-long engagement youth in SOS Programs.

Fee-For-Service Programs:

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

SOS Children's Village BC does not receive provincial or federal funding for our programs. Support services for families living in the village are partially funded through Vancouver Aboriginal Child and Family Services. Our programs are funded through our Thrift Store revenues, Events, Corporate/Community/Foundation Grants and our donors.

Looking Back on 2015...

- 12 families and 45 children and youth are part of our community-integrated Village
- Rent subsidies and no fee therapeutic/program support for Village families
- 14 Caregivers received support through Caregiver Support Services
- 100% high school graduation rate of youth in the Village compared to 21% for BC youth in foster care
- 390 children participated in our After School Learning Clubs
- 98 children and youth received free therapeutic services
- 25 children attended camps
- 25 explored the Sounds of Learning Music Program
- 29 youth supported by Youth Workers in the Transition to Adulthood Program

We also extended or piloted many other small projects:

- Weekly Girl's Social Group for elementary girls
- Village Social Skills Group for primary school children
- School preparation program for children in Grade 7
- Summer long activities program for SOS Village
- Art Creation & Exploration Program; Cooking classes with Louis Vuitton