

Okanagan Foster Parents Association

- ◇ contracts to provide Support and Education to Foster Parents in the Okanagan, Shuswap, and Similkameen
- ◇ is managed by a Board with Fostering experience
- ◇ provides services through their Foster Parent Coordinators and Education Facilitators
- ◇ works in partnership with MCFD, BCFFPA and FAFP

We believe

- ◇ Foster Families are a key component of the Family Care Home system in British Columbia.
- ◇ Foster Parents need a variety of support services and educational opportunities in order to meet the many needs of Children in Care.
- ◇ services for Foster Families need to be consumer-driven, community based, and honor cultural diversity

www.okfosterparents.ca

President: 250-498-4109
board@okfosterparents.ca

As your Foster Parent Coordinator I Provide:

- Training
- Newsletters & email notices
- Information on MCFD policy
- A library of resource materials
- OFPA web site

I also provide help if you are

- experiencing difficult foster care situations or
- going through the complaints / investigation process

I work with your local Foster Parents Association to make sure you have lots of opportunities to meet other Foster Parents.

I help MCFD with recruitment and act as liaison between them and their Foster Parents.

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Shuswap District

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SUPPORT INFORMATION

for Shuswap Foster Parents



Okanagan
Foster Parents
Association

OFPA

www.okfosterparents.ca

After Hours Emergency Line

1-800-663-9122

Contact a Social Worker

Foster Parent Support Line

1-888-495-4440

Monday to Friday: 4 PM to 12:45 AM

Sat, Sun, & Holidays: 8 AM to 12:45 AM

Professional support, information and consultation

B.C. Federation of

Foster Parent Associations

1-800-663-9999

www.bcfosterparents.ca

Information about Insurance, Bursaries, Community Resources, & Membership

Federation of

Aboriginal Foster Parents

1-866-291-7091

www.fafp.ca

Representative for

Children & Youth

1-800-476-3933

www.rcybc.ca

Support and advocacy for children, youth and families who need help dealing with the child welfare system. Similar to previous office of Children's Advocate



Important Numbers for Foster Parents

BC Nurse Line	811
Crisis Line (24 hours)	833-1488
Help Line For Children	310-1234
Alcohol & Drug Info & Referral Service	1-800-663-1441
BC Mental Health Info	1-800-661-2121
Child and Youth (Kids Help Line) (24 hours)	1-800-668-6868
Facts of Life Line	1-800-739-7367
Family Violence Info Line Call 24/7	1-800-563-0808
Health Info Line	1-800-465-4911
Legal Aid	1-866-577-2525
Poison Control	1-800-567-8911
Sexual Assault Crisis Line	1-800-563-0808
Victimlink (for victims of crime)	1-800-563-0808
RCMP—NON Emergency Salmon Arm Area	832-6044
Shuswap Lake General Hospital	833-3600
Children Who Witness Abuse	832-4474
Canadian Mental Health Assoc	832-8477
Family Resource Centre	832-2170
Health Unit - Salmon Arm	833-4100
Health Unit - Sicamous	836-4835
Health Unit—Enderby/Mable Lk	838-2450
Infant Development Program	833-0164
Women's Shelter	832-9616

Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD)
PO Box 100 STN MAIN
550 Lakeshore Drive NE
Salmon Arm, BC, V1E 4S4

Phone: 832-1719

Fax: 832-1792

- ◇ Intake, Investigation and Family Service
- ◇ Child & Youth Mental Health
- ◇ Child & Youth With Special Needs

Phone: 832-1655

Fax: 832-1792

- ◇ Adoptions
- ◇ Collaborative Children's Services
 - Guardianship
 - Resources
- ◇ Collaborative Practice
 - Family Group Conference
 - Family Case Planning Conference
 - Mediation
- ◇ Integrated Youth
 - Youth Services
 - Youth Probation



Making a difference in our world

BCFFPA Salmon Arm Area

President : Jackie Ward 804-4877

Membership: Cindy Davies 832-5170

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