

The Bill McFarland Award for the Advancement of Excellence in Child Welfare



Parent Support Services Society of BC

The Bill McFarland Award was established by Parent Support Services Society of BC* in 1997. Over his 50 year career, Bill McFarland was instrumental in the development of progressive programs, policies and services for children and their families.

Bill McFarland was an advocate for children throughout his life and social work career. His achievements include: founder of the Alberta Foster Parents Association, the National Federation of Youth in Care Networks, and Parent Support Services Society of BC. In addition, he was a member of the Berger Commission, a consultant to the Gove Inquiry, and a recognized expert on the Young Offenders Act. Bill was appreciated by all who worked with him for his integrity, compassion and tireless efforts toward the care and welfare of all children. This award honours his memory and his tireless efforts for the care and welfare of all children.

Our Current Nomination Procedure as on our website: <http://parentsupportbc.ca/about-bill-mcfarland-award>

The award is presented to a group or individual for:

- **Outstanding devotion to the prevention of child abuse over a long period of time, and/or;**
- **Efforts related to a project which is making a lasting mark in the area of child welfare or family preservation.**

Nomination Procedure

- Please submit in writing, the following information:
- Your reasons for the nomination. Include: the significant contribution this person or group has made; a short description of how others have been inspired or motivated; and/or the impact on the fields of child abuse prevention and parenting support.
- Include your full name, address, telephone number and e-mail address and all contact information for the nominee.
- Also provide names with contact information of two supporting nominators.
- The recipient will be chosen by a committee of our Board of Directors.

Deadline for nominations - Friday September 14th

Send Nominations to:

Parent Support Services Society of BC, 204 – 5623 Imperial Street, Burnaby, BC, V5J 1G1

Email: office@parentsupportbc.ca Subject: McFarland Award

Fax: 604 669 1636 re: Bill McFarland Award

For further information, please call 604-669-1616 or 1-877 345 9777. You can also visit our website at

www.parentsupportbc.ca.

**Name changed from BC Parents in Crisis Society in 2000*