



Parent Support Services Society of BC



Annual Report 2019 - 2020



A message from the President: Sarah Allan

It has been an interesting year at Parent Support Services Society of BC. I have enjoyed the challenge of acting as President of the Board of Directors for another year, and it has been a pleasure to be a part of a team that achieves so much.

Our Executive Director, Carol Madsen, has continued to carry us forward, updating and renewing our physical space, operations, programming, and ensuring we have the funding to sustain the important work we do.

The staff at PSS have shared their wealth of experience and ideas to take us in new directions and reach new families who need support. Their hard work and passion is inspiring.

Our board of directors have been more engaged than ever, helping to put into a place a new strategic plan, forming committees to get the work done, and volunteering to share their expertise where needed.

I'd like to thank our funders for their continued financial support and encouragement of our existing and new research, partnerships, and programs.

But our biggest thank you goes out to our hundreds of amazing volunteers who generously donate their time to help others.

I look forward to another year, putting our strategic plan into place, and continuing to grow and evolve in this ever-changing world to better support families across BC.

A message from our executive director: Carol Madsen

2019-2020 proved to be a rather exciting and then tumultuous year for all the staff and board of directors. Along with our other dedicated volunteers, we accomplished a lot! Much appreciation to everyone for their hard work and commitment to the Society. Thank you to the board members for their continuous oversight. Special thanks to Jacob Black-Lock, who guided the Society to finalize our 5 priorities in our strategic plan.

We shifted from our previous *pillars* to our new *priorities* mid-way through the year. By the November board and staff meetings, we were using the new language of the 2019-2022 Strategic plan.

Staff worked hard to whittle away on all four operational priorities (to the right):

The board under the leadership of Sarah Allan, was responsible for the fifth priority, to ensure its' own governance excellence. Finalizing the strategic plan was a big part of that priority.

1. Advocate for the Peer to Peer Community Development model
2. Become known as the Kinship Care experts in BC
3. Establish a future-proof funding plan
4. Build our capacity to work with Indigenous families



The Peer to Peer Community Development Model

We celebrated Bella Cenezero's 25 years of service with PSS in January. The Circle program continued under her steady lead and her commitment to the community development model.

It was a tough year for the circle program. We had several changes in staff, challenges to retain volunteers, and then a complete overhaul of the way we deliver services due to social distancing requirements caused by the COVID-19 pandemic that started almost immediately after we returned from our Provincial Training Workshop in early March.

Lower Mainland and the Okanagan

We held numerous exciting parenting workshops and trainings for parents and caregivers to complement our peer to peer circles. We created some new and solid partnerships.

Daniela Alvarado-Torres organized a 9-week series of expert-led parenting workshops in collaboration with Information Children on site and a 5-week

Skills for Life for Families training held on site with the Dalai Lama Centre for Education and Peace. Bella and Daniela worked hard to sustain the peer to peer circles in the region. Bella also spent time supporting new circles in the Okanagan.



Indigenous Circles for the Lower Mainland

New resources from Vancity Foundation allowed us to leverage existing resources to hire Danella Angus as the Coordinator for Indigenous Circles in the Lower Mainland. Danella started in late September and came with a wealth of new ideas and contacts. Numerous partnerships were established and new facilitators were trained.

Prince George
Capital Regional
District
Central & Northern
Vancouver Island

Long-time Prince George Coordinator, Jessica Turner moved on to pursue a teaching career. We were saddened to see her go, but were excited for her new opportunities. We had a delay in hiring her replacement, but were then able to bring Kim Brown on board. Jessica and Kim had an overlap of time together which proved valuable as Jessica introduced Kim to key partners and funders in the Greater Prince George area.

We struggled with staff turnover in the Capital Regional District due to illnesses of incumbents. We decided to turn the position into a full time one once Christa Martel-Perry was hired. During separate vacancies, Bella replaced vacant positions. It has proven helpful to have long time islander staff Sandy Halvorson around to help to vet questions and provide peer support.

Sandi monitored the Central and Northern Vancouver Island ensuring that we kept track of targets and results for the various funders and families in her region. Of particular note was the Children's Health Foundation funding which was funding earmarked for both the Greater Victoria and Greater Nanaimo regions.



GRG Facebook Group springs us into Virtual Circles

For years now, Sandi Halvorson has been pitching the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Facebook group which by the end of the fiscal year grew to more than 115 members. As a new way to work, it proved itself as a springboard to help us pivot to reach families once COVID-19 struck and we were forced to move away from face to face circle meetings to virtual ones.

Galiano Nature Camp



Daniela Alvarado-Torres and Sandi Halvorson pulled off another excellent Galiano Respite Camp for Kinship Care providers in the summer of 2019. Mercedes Guerra, a summer student, supported the permanent staff team. Jane Bouey had an opportunity to meet the campers and elaborate on some of the research and future mobilization projects she was working on with and for kinship care providers. Caity Goerke and Christina Campbell called into the camp and elaborated on the services they provide through the support line. The camp was a great success and although tiring for the staff, the children and their kinship caregivers were grateful for the opportunity.



Dreams Take Flight

Daniela stepped up to the plate when we lost our coordinator who was supposed to accompany a group of children to Disneyland. For the second consecutive year, she accompanied the kids to California with Dreams take Flight in Fall of 2019. Upon return she shared with the staff team the utter joy expressed by the kids who had the opportunity to attend.

Provincial Training Workshop

A very successful Provincial Training Workshop took place early March. 42 volunteers and 8 staff participated. Participants representing 25+ plus linguistic groups and nations from all corners of the province were in attendance.

We chose Zajac ranch near Mission BC as our venue this year. Bella and the Circle team largely coordinated the event. Circle team staff, Jane Bouey, Crissy George and I were all in attendance. The Drumming Circle workshop organized by Christa Martel-Perry was particularly powerful.

Throughout the year, numerous other trainings took place to orient new circle facilitators to their roles. Near the end of the year once COVID-19 hit, staff pivoted quickly to provide circles and support online. In addition, this also involved training facilitators to conduct groups virtually.

Establish a future-proof funding plan

Financial sustainability continued to improve despite the departure of our long-time accountant, Yvette Harrison, and significant changes to Viktor Panfilenok's, role. Shawn Wilson supported me on accounting contract negotiations during the summer. His guidance was appreciated.

A revised budget was presented at the September board meeting. Adjustments reflected new money secured including 3 year funding from the Vancouver Foundation for the Mobilization Project, 3 year funding from the Vancity Foundation for Indigenous circles, and new money from the Law Foundation.

The board financial committee (Jade Chan, Shawn Wilson and I) worked hard to recruit a new Treasurer and finance committee member. Christina Lal joined the Society in the late summer of 2019 and replaced Jade, whose term concluded. Jade continued on as a member at large and graciously continued on the Finance Committee. Support from all members of the Finance Committee was appreciated. Christine Lal was especially helpful in providing support and learning her role in the Fall of 2019. Mel Ifada from KOJA and the Finance Committee managed the accountant recruitment. We welcome Hardeep Purewal who recently joined PSS. Mel was very supportive with a challenging accounting transition. Viktor was very helpful in ensuring that our books stayed in order.

We advanced our agenda to diversify funds and to stabilize the finances of the organization. By year end, several new funders and donors were identified. 3 months operating was placed in a restricted fund. Thank you to all our funders, donors, and supporters.

As we were building equity, we also secured much needed capital assets for the Society. New computers and software for all staff that allowed remote access were purchased, antiquated IT systems were overhauled and new furniture for our board room were procured. We repainted the head office space and installed new lighting down the corridors. The changes were dramatic...and then COVID-19 hit and the staff went home to work. Luckily, we were all able to remote in with our new technology thanks to Integrous and KOJA. I stayed at the office working (mostly) alone....

Become known as the Kinship Care experts in BC

Jane Bouey worked tirelessly on the research and mobilization project funded by the Law and Victoria Foundations and later the Vancouver Foundation. Due to unforeseen timing issues with the Ethics Review board and then abrupt shutdowns around the province during the pandemic, the final research report was delayed past year end.

The research steering committee comprised of Louise Costello, UNBC's Susan Burke and Glen Schmidt, NVIT's Michelle Reid, Jane, and myself. Legal supervision was provided by Patricia Barkaskas from the Indigenous Legal Clinic of UBC. A special thank you to Louise for literally hundreds of hours of work on the research. Louise is especially thanked for her tireless work with Nicole White from UNBC who crunched numbers and analyzed statistics and helped us to understand the quantitative findings.

Practicum students Rabiah Murium, from Dalhousie University's law school in the summer of 2019, and Caitlin Alder, from the NVIT's Social Work program, supported Jane in the Spring. Through the research, 86 respondents completed the survey, 91 kinship care providers and 12 kinship care service providers participated in focus groups and 10 key informants rounded out the research including our own advocates, Caity Goerke and Christina Campbell.

Jane and Carol met with Kinship Care providers in February in Victoria and then again in early March at the Provincial Training to share initial findings and to start to mobilize.

Christina and Caity continued diligently working the support line to help kinship caregivers to navigate complex legal, social, and financial issues. Strong advocacy, niche knowledge of both social work and law positioned us well as experts in the field.

Advocates pushed hard to ensure that the voices of kinship caregivers were heard by the Ministry for Children and Families, that their needs were met and their issues were heard. Several letters outlining our concerns were sent to the Minister.

In addition to the traditional line work, Christina and Caity worked hard on the Skillshare project. Objectives of this Law Foundation funded project included:

1. Exchanging PSS expertise and Indigenous community experiences regarding Child and Family Community Service Act Section 8 agreements and adoptions under the Adoption Act/customary adoption and the current access points to MCFD kinship care policy supports such as the *Extended Family Program agreements* and *Post Adoption Assistance*
2. Engaging in collaborative dialogue with Indigenous Community Liaisons on approaches to increase the exercise of Indigenous legal authority over child welfare and the access to kinship care policy supports

Due to abrupt changes caused by the pandemic, the work was tentatively stalled and the anticipated June 2020 Skillshare event postponed.



Build our Capacity to work with Indigenous families

We continue to work towards the goals of the *Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action*. We worked closely with Indigenous, Aboriginal and Metis academics and students, staff and volunteers. We cultivated and solidified new partnerships with various Nations, Friendship Centres, Delegated Aboriginal Agencies and Societies and academic institutions. We continue to be guided by the work of Ardeth Walpetkow We'dalx Walkem, and the voices we hear from our Indigenous circle members, Indigenous research participants, and our diverse staff and volunteers.

Smudging became a component of the in-person meeting and facilitator trainings. Kim, Christa, and Danella shared their knowledge and lived experience. Staff participated in Aboriginal Day (June 21), orange T-shirt day to acknowledge the survivors of Indigenous residential schools (September 30), and the *Annual Women's Memorial March for missing and murdered Indigenous women* on February 14.

Danella encouraged staff and board members, Jane Bouey, Jacob Huang, Crissy George, and myself to attend parts of the Hoobiye (Nisga'a New Year) celebrations at the PNE. Danella both performed and set up a booth for the 2.5 day event which attracted thousands of attendees and was instrumental in letting people know about PSS of BC. Jacob Huang captured some of the event on a beautiful video which was shared on several platforms—one more resource in his newly revitalized communication plan.



Build our Capacity to work with Indigenous families (continued)

Danella brought more Indigenous people to the organization as volunteer facilitators and steering committee members. Kim and Sandi have ensured that our Indigenous circles in their respective regions are thriving. We trained 5 new Indigenous facilitators in January and we are working in partnership with the Nisga'a Tsa'miks Society to form a circle for Indigenous mothers and for grandmothers.

Another individual was trained to operate an Indigenous Fathers' circle. Plans to hold Indigenous circles at both Indigenous and mainstream agencies are well underway.

We sent Caity Goerke back to law school to study under Mary Ellen Turpel Lafond. She has been sharing her new knowledge regarding Bill C-92, the new Federal legislation, An Act respecting First Nation, Inuit and Metis Children, Youth and Families.

We sent Bella and Jane to a workshop at the Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Centre entitled Culturally Responsive Evaluations of Reciprocal Consulting in October 2019. The purpose of the workshop was to cover effective means to partner with Indigenous communities, organizations, and governments in Culturally responsive ways.

Through our various Law Foundation projects, we have met with numerous Indigenous service providers and people who we have shared information with. As we connect with the various communities, the calls to our Kinship care line have been increasing.

Concerted efforts were underway to ensure that we had Indigenous voices captured in the research 50% of the survey respondents indicated raising Indigenous children, 21% of the respondents said they were of Indigenous ancestry, and 4 focus groups were held in Indigenous communities.

The work of the *Skillshare* project and the work with several First Nations from around the province is helping us to develop authentic alliances.





Throughout the year, staff participated in other professional development opportunities. Daniela Alvarado Torres enrolled in a professional development leadership program. Her first course relates to strategic planning. Our advocates attended the *Provincial Advocacy Training* hosted by *Legal Services Society* and the *Law Foundation of BC*. Caity and Christina both attended as participants but also delivered workshops on recent legislative and policy changes to the Extended Family Program. Caity and Christina continue to regularly deliver workshops on Kinship Care to the articling students at the *Indigenous Legal Clinic, UBC* and elsewhere.

Danella recruited numerous Indigenous participants to attend the Provincial Training Workshops. Christa Martel-Perry, a graduate of the *Saskatchewan New Start Life Skills program* provided us with new ways of thinking and working. Her contributions at the *Provincial Training Workshop* helped also to inform our diverse volunteers about ways of knowing and understanding Indigenous experience in Canada. One Indigenous participants stated at our closing session, “*this is what reconciliation is all about.*”

Thank you volunteer facilitators, steering committee members, board members, professionally led workshop facilitators, staff, donors, funders, partners, and participants. It does indeed *take a village to raise a child!*

Thank you to all of our volunteers, donors, partners, and everyone involved in helping us help families!



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