

KINSHIP CARE UPDATES

Kinship Care Help Line: Call 1-855-474-9777 (Toll free)

Supporting Kinship Caregivers & Families in B.C

Advocacy Wins More Support For Some Kinship Caregivers

After years of advocacy by kinship caregivers and organizations such as Parent Support Services, some children, being raised by their grandparents, and other kin will be receiving more support from the Provincial Government.

If the child you are raising is in an out-of-care agreement (Extended Family Program Agreement, interim or temporary Custody order to a person other than a parent, or a permanent transfer of custody) and you receive a monthly maintenance payment from MCFD – Effective April 1st you will be receiving an increase in your maintenance payments. Unfortunately this does not apply to kinship families who have orders through the Family Law Act...

Visit our website for more details about these improved supports for some Kinship Care families.

[Learn More Here](#)

\$600 Rent Supplement Program for young adults (aged 19-27)

This is important information for some grandparents and other kinship caregivers whose children are now young adults. MCFD has a new rent supplement program where young adults (aged 19-27) may apply for a \$600-a-month rent supplement for up to two years. There is limited funding and we think it is first come, first serve. So applications need to be

sent in quickly.

The deadline is March 20th at 11:59PM. But if possible, apply sooner. Visit our website for more details about eligibility...

[Learn More Here](#)

Access to post-secondary education expanded for former youth in care

The government has removed age restrictions for the Tuition Waiver Program. This is a major step for youth who have been in foster care, and many who were raised in kinship care, including those in Child in the Home of a Relative.

To find out more about accessing the program, call our Kinship Care Help Line - 1-855-474-9777.

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New: Scan QR code to book an appointment or click here: ([Mon-Tues](#)) or ([Thurs-Fri](#)).

CONTACT US

If you need more information – please contact PSS’s Kinship Care Help line at:

Greater Vancouver: 604-558-4740

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Email: kinshipcare@parentsupportbc.ca

Hours of Operation

Monday, Tuesday 10AM – 2PM

Thursday, Friday 9AM – 5PM

About Us.

At Parent Support Services Society of BC, our mission is to support the well-being of all families and children by empowering those in a parenting role through

community connections, research, education, and advocacy. [Visit our website to learn more!](#)

Make an Impact.

We're grateful for all those involved with PSS—Make a difference in the lives of BC families by joining our community of supporters!

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We would like to acknowledge that the land on which we gather on and provide services in, is on the unceded Traditional Territories of all Indigenous Nations of BC.

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