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President's Report



Hello, once again, and happy summer!

First and foremost, the board would like to express our gratitude to Jayne Wilson for her many years of running the BC Foster Parents Association as the Executive Director. The organization has seen a lot of changes in her time here, thanks to her consistent and unshakable dedication. All of us here at BCFPA would like to wish her the very best in her retirement.

We've also had some changes to board personnel. We would like to warmly and officially welcome Jana Fraser, our new Interior Delegate. She is an absolute delight and a great addition to the board. We're lucky to have her. We are also pleased to welcome back Jeanette Dyer as our Fraser Delegate, as well as welcome Jim Staton as our Coast Delegate. We're really looking forward to both joining us, and it is so good to have a full board.

Moving on to other updates, the board held a face-to-face in the Okanagan recently. During which, we had several meetings across a number of days. Much was discussed and lots of work was done. My hope is that in the next year, caregivers across BC will begin to see some apparent changes in the organization that will work to improve their fostering experiences. In addition to our face-to-face, we've been meeting monthly with the ministry to work on the motions presented at our previous AGM in Delta.

Our AGM and Conference this year is in Victoria, back at our previous venue, The Inn at Laurel Point. As a board, we hope to make this the highest attendance ever. Over the past few months, we've worked with staff at the provincial office to come up with our workshop direction for the year. I must say that I'm pretty excited with the choices we've landed on. Those will be announced with the opening of event registration soon. We thank you for your patience as we plan this year's event in the midst of some big shifts. For now, know that you can expect something a little bit different, while still getting the BCFPA AGM experience you know and love.

As many of you may know, I spend most of my summer out in the woods at our river property, which is an amazing way to reconnect with nature and just be calm. Any foster kids I've taken out there absolutely thrive. It's a really cool thing to see. We were able to get out there on May 1st, which is the earliest we've ever been out! Did we get cold that first night? Absolutely! But, the fresh air and immersion in nature is more than worth a little discomfort.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the AGM! Until then, have an amazing summer!

Rocky Hindmarch
BCFPA Board President
Foster Caregiver, Prince George

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OUR MISSION

To represent and support all foster parents who provide quality in-home family care in BC.



OUR BELIEF

Supported and resilient caregivers raise empowered children and youth.



OUR VISION

Supporting children and youth to reach their full potential through exceptional care.



BC Foster Parents Association (BCFPA) is a provincial organization for foster parents, run by foster parents. We are a registered non-profit charity which aims to bring together foster parents, social workers and other stakeholders who are working to continuously improve the standard of care for children and youth in our province.

We provide information to the general public about fostering and recruitment services to the Ministry of Children and Family Development and Indigenous Child and Family Service Agencies. We offer our community a support network through our local Branch affiliations and our Solutions Program, accessible fostering information and education, a hub to share news across our sector and insurance resources for foster caregivers. For over 50 years, we have consulted about the revision and development of policy and practice within BC's child welfare sector.

BCFPA's structure facilitates contact with all foster parents in the province. We provide funding to our Branches and Regional Councils, and we maintain a Board of Directors that represents the diversity of our province. BCFPA's Board of Directors provincially, regionally and at a community level are all volunteers, elected by their foster parent membership community.

Notes from the Office



Greetings to our caregiver community,

AGM planning is well underway, and we're looking forward to gathering in Victoria this year. In addition to the workshops and connections that make this event so valuable, we're planning a craft evening to create space for informal connection and community. Preparations are also underway for our Camp for Kids fundraiser, and we are grateful for the donations already being received in support of this important initiative.

While there is much to look forward to, we also want to acknowledge that MCFD has made the difficult decision not to offer AGM bursaries this year. We know how important this support has been in helping caregivers attend the AGM. In response, BCFPA will be offering bursaries to support foster caregivers' participation, ensuring that financial barriers do not prevent access to these important learning and connection opportunities. Look for all the details on [page 7](#).

This year also marks a significant moment of transition for the organization. Jayne Wilson will be retiring on June 30, after 20 years of dedicated leadership with BCFPA. Jayne has played a key role in building the organization into what it is today—strengthening supports for caregivers across the province and developing strong relationships with partners and government. We extend our sincere gratitude for her leadership and lasting contributions.

Community outreach in late March, in collaboration with BCFPA and Interior Community Services, included a visit to foster caregivers in the Kootenay region. The visit featured a training session, partnership meeting, networking event, and a family-friendly swim and pool gathering. These opportunities created meaningful space to listen, learn, and gain a deeper understanding of the unique strengths and challenges within the community.

We are also pleased to welcome new and returning leadership to our Board of Directors. Jim Staton joins us as the Coastal Regional Delegate, and we welcome back Jeanette Dyer as the Fraser Regional Delegate. Both bring a wealth of experience and a deep understanding of fostering in British Columbia, and we look forward to their contributions to the organization.

As we continue through this period of transition and growth, I remain grateful for the strength of this community and the continued commitment of caregivers across BC.

Thank you for the care and stability you provide to children and youth every day.

Dan Malone
Executive Director



Farewell and Best Wishes

It is with warmth, love, and gratitude that everyone at BC Foster Parents Association wishes outgoing Executive Director, Jayne Wilson, farewell and all the very best in her next chapter, upon her retirement at the end of June.

Jayne's lasting impact on the organization and community will continue to inspire and lead all who had the immense privilege of working with and/or being mentored by her.

Interior Delegate Report by Jana Fraser

As the new BCFPA Interior Delegate, I have had only a few months to get familiar with our wonderful Interior foster parents and the different regions' contact connections. Though I've been really enjoying it, my updates for my first delegate report are a bit sparse.

In the Kelowna area, the Kelowna Foster Parents Association has been busy. They've been working on putting together a joint training session to bring awareness to dangerous street drugs and soon give naloxone training to our foster parents from Vernon and Penticton. Our recent local partnership meeting with MCFD was such a positive discussion, with great attendance. It was a great evening of connection for foster parents, and it was nice to see that people were able to talk freely and feel safe to do so.

Island Delegate Report by Sarah Scorey

Here on Vancouver Island, spring has sprung. It is so nice to spend more time outside, enjoying our beautiful parks and beaches.

Fostering communities across the Island continue to experience significant pressure, with many homes currently at or near capacity. Despite these challenges, there is strong commitment and collaboration across caregivers, social workers, and community partners to ensure children and youth receive safe, stable, and supportive care. The "Drivers for Caregivers" pilot program has eased some of this pressure on Victoria caregivers to single-handedly get everyone where they need to be each day. This wonderful support is greatly appreciated by caregivers.

There were a few meaningful Child and Youth in Care Week celebrations planned, with a range of events intended to recognize and honour the experiences and voices of young people in care across the region. I hope that all caregivers were able to get to at least one celebration this year!



I don't have much to share in regards to the Northern Okanagan. As with most of the Interior, the North is struggling with staff availability regarding the new foster parents required training.

Great news, however, for the South Okanagan! Foster caregivers now have access to paid counseling services when needed. Recently a suicide awareness event was held in the Summerland area, as well.



As for BCFPA, the board has been actively engaged in ongoing work alongside our new Executive Director, Dan Malone, focusing on strengthening supports for caregivers and improving the overall caregiving experience. Dan's unique experience as a former caregiver and his existing positive relationships with support agencies across the province are sure to serve the organization well.

The board just spent three days together in Kelowna brainstorming and strategizing and we look forward to sharing updates with you at the AGM in October, which, if you didn't already hear, will be on the island this year, at The Inn at Laurel Point! I hope to see many of you in-person in October!

Northern Delegate Report by Tanya-Lea Nault

As we near the end of another school year, many families are preparing for summer holidays, camping trips, slower mornings, and hopefully some well-deserved time together. On behalf of the BC Foster Parents Association, we would like to wish all foster families a safe, restful, and wonderful summer break.

While summer can bring excitement and freedom for many children and youth, we also recognize that breaks from school can sometimes be challenging. For some children, school provides structure, routine, social connection, and consistency. When those daily routines suddenly change, some children may experience increased anxiety, emotional dysregulation, grief responses, loneliness, or feelings of being unsettled. As caregivers, we often carry the weight of helping children navigate those big emotions while also trying to maintain balance within our homes. Please remember that support is available, and you do not have to navigate those challenges alone.

Prince George Hospice Palliative Care Society offers grief and bereavement support services for children, youth, and families at no cost. While many families are currently facing long wait times for counseling services, Hospice provides compassionate support that may be helpful for children experiencing grief, loss, life transitions, trauma, or emotional challenges. Families are encouraged to speak with their social



worker and connect directly with Prince George Hospice Palliative Care Society to learn more about available children's grief support programs and services.

We also want to recognize and celebrate Youth in Care Week, which took place June 1-7. This week was an opportunity to honour the strength, resilience, and incredible potential of children and youth in care across our province. To celebrate locally, our branch hosted a special contest for youth in care. Each child in care was invited to enter their name for a chance to win a Carl's Jr. swag basket!

Thank you to all foster families for the care, patience, advocacy, and love you continue to provide every single day. Your impact matters more than words can express.

Split Happens! Online 50/50 Raffle

Get your tickets today for a chance to win a jackpot, while helping BCFPA raise funds for learning and development.

Tickets are available in the following bundle options:

- 10 tickets for \$20
- 30 tickets for \$50
- 80 tickets for \$100

Purchase your raffle tickets at rafflebox.ca/raffle/bcfpa50 before the draw on **September 1** (ticket sales close **August 31**)

Don't forget to spread the word! Entry is open to all and the more tickets sold, the bigger the jackpot.



Apply for an AGM Bursary

Regrettably, MCFD was unable to offer funding for AGM bursaries this year. It is BCFPA's goal to assist as many caregivers as possible with attending the AGM & Conference - a critical opportunity for connection, networking, and learning. Knowing the impact of these bursaries, BCFPA has arranged to offer as many bursaries as we are able to with limited funding.

When to apply:

Apply between **June 22, 2026** and **July 27, 2026**

Where to apply:

Apply online at bcfosterparents.ca/news

Next steps:

All applicants will be notified of their status prior to **August 10, 2026**.

To claim a bursary, winners must submit a completed registration form. Bursary recipient specific forms will be provided by provincial office staff with status notice (via email). Provincial office staff will also be available to provide assistance registering over the phone.

Vancouver Island

- Ten registration bursaries available (\$350)
- Ten full bursaries available (\$350 + \$600)

Coast

- Ten registration bursaries available (\$350)
- Ten full bursaries available (\$350 + \$600)

Fraser

- Ten registration bursaries available (\$350)
- Ten full bursaries available (\$350 + \$600)

Interior

- Ten registration bursaries available (\$350)
- Ten full bursaries available (\$350 + \$600)

North

- Ten registration bursaries available (\$350)
- Ten full bursaries available (\$350 + \$600)



Call for Nominations

BCFPA will be hosting our Annual General Meeting October 16-17, 2026 at the Inn at Laurel Point in Victoria. This year, there are two (2) positions for election on the BC Foster Parents Association Board of Directors Executive Committee.

- President
- Secretary

Each position has a two-year term. Nominations for each position must be received by the BCFPA provincial office by **July 10, 2026** for distribution to the membership for online voting process. Please note that we have transitioned to 100% online voting through a third-party neutral platform, Simply Voting. It provides BCFPA and our members with a secure, cost-effective, and environmentally friendly voting process.

Eligibility to be nominated as a member of BCFPA's Board of Directors includes:

- a) A nominee must be a voting member in good standing (membership paid in full as of January 31, 2026); be qualified in accordance with Bylaw 7.2; and remain in good standing throughout the election process.
- b) Voting members may not nominate themselves and may not nominate more than one nominee for any given position.
- c) All nominations must be supported by a second voting member in good standing.
- d) All nominations must be made in writing, in a form established by the Society and must be signed by the member who is the nominee.
- e) Nominations must be submitted in advance of the election, in accordance with such deadlines as may be established by the Board. Nominations will not be permitted from the floor at the Annual General Meeting; and
- f) All nominations must be vetted by the nominations committee to confirm eligibility and adherence to required process.

Additional policy-related nomination criteria include:

- Nominee must be present at the AGM unless excused by the President for extraordinary reasons.
- Eligible candidates and nominations for officer positions shall be vetted by the Nominating Committee and are confirmed for their knowledge and expertise in relation to the position.
- Candidates must not hold any position on another provincial or regional agency Board of Directors at the time of nomination.
- Candidates running for these positions must have served for at least one year in the previous three years on a BCFPA branch, or on the BCFPA Provincial Board of Directors.
- If only one nominee's name is submitted for a posted position and they meet all eligibility criteria as stated in the Bylaws, the individual is considered to be elected by acclamation.
- Associate Members who have been elected to hold positions on the Association Board of Directors shall have full voting privileges during their term of office.

PLEASE FORWARD NOMINATIONS TO THE BCFPA PROVINCIAL OFFICE:

**BC FOSTER PARENTS ASSOCIATION
208 - 20641 Logan Avenue
Langley, BC V3A 7R3**

Email: dan@bcfosterparents.ca

Fax: 604-544-2223

****Nominees may be asked to participate in an interview with Nominations Committee member(s) to discuss their nomination or application for the position prior to an election process or appointment.***

BCFPA Provincial Board of Directors Nomination Form 2026

Name of Candidate _____ Membership Number _____

Address _____ City _____ Postal Code _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Current Foster Contract Expiry Date _____ Contracted With _____

Eligibility Criteria (in addition to general Director criteria required by BCFPA bylaws):

- *Must have established connections with other foster parents in their community and region*
- *Must not be a Board member or employee of another agency in the adoption/fostering sector at time of nomination*
- *Previous experience and knowledge of BCFPA's mandate and operations will be considered by the Nominations Committee prior to distribution of nominations for election process.*

[Online form available at bit.ly/4vdK53m](https://bit.ly/4vdK53m)

Candidate Information (please use additional pages if necessary)

Fostering Experience Description

BCFPA Experience (length of membership, past positions held, Branch affiliation, volunteerism)

Related Volunteer, Board, Management or Employment Experience

Personal Views and Objectives to Offer this Position

Other Comments

Nominated by _____ Membership Number _____

Nominated by _____ Membership Number _____

Signature of Candidate _____ Date _____

Please attach any supplemental information to your nomination and send forms to dan@bcfosterparents.ca

Special Resolutions 2026

Whereas: (state circumstance)

Therefore: (state proposed special resolution)

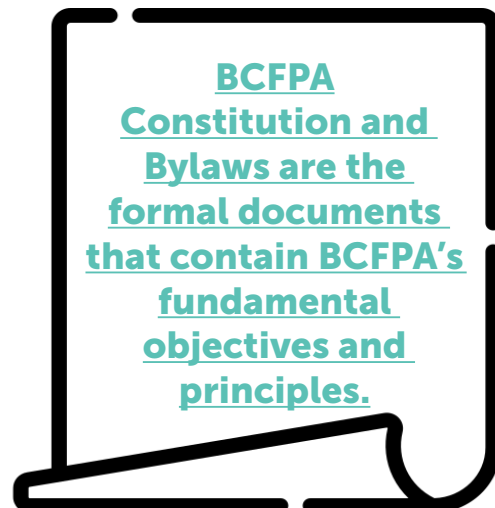
Moved By: _____ Membership Number: _____
(name)

Moved By: _____ Membership Number: _____
(name)

Please submit your proposed Special Resolution by July 10, 2026.
Packages will be distributed by email for online voting by August 1, 2026.
Proposed Special Resolutions will be accepted from members in good standing (current members as of January 31, 2026).
Please submit one form for each Special Resolution proposed.

What are Special Resolutions?

Prior to the BCFPA Annual General Meeting, we receive proposals from members in good standing for special resolutions. A special resolution is a proposed change to our Bylaws. The proposed changes are presented to our membership as a whole and voted on. We require a majority vote for the special resolution to be passed. When a special resolution is adopted into BCFPA's Bylaws through a membership vote, the wording of the resolution is then submitted to the governmental authorities to become part of the Association's permanent documentation.



DATES TO REMEMBER

June 22, 2026

AGM Bursary applications open.

July 2026 - Exact Date TBD

Event registration opens.

July 10, 2026

Nominations and Special Resolutions due.

July 27, 2026

AGM Bursary applications close.

August 1, 2026

Online voting opens.

August 31, 2026

Online voting closes.

September 8, 2026

Official Notice of AGM will be emailed to members and posted to BCFPA website.

September 11, 2026

Hotel reservation deadline to receive BCFPA's discount rate.

September 28, 2026

Event registration closes.

BOOK AT DISCOUNTED ROOM RATE BEFORE SEPTEMBER 11

Book your stay at the Inn at Laurel Point in Victoria for BCFPA's 2026 AGM & Conference before **September 11, 2026** to receive BC Foster Parents Association's discounted room rate of **\$235 per night** for a standard guest room.

Use this link to book now at the Inn at Laurel Point

Guests are also able to book their stay by contacting the hotel directly by phone (**1-800-663-7667**) or by email (**reservations@laurelpoint.com**) and identifying themselves as attendees of the BCFPA conference to receive the special guest room rate.

Link to book is also available on our social media platforms and via email newsletters.



A Letter of Introduction from BCFPA's New Executive Director, Dan Malone

Dear Foster Caregiving Community, Partners, and Friends,

I am truly honoured and grateful to share that I have stepped into the role of Executive Director of the BC Foster Parents Association. It is a privilege to serve an organization that so clearly demonstrates its commitment to foster caregivers, children, and youth across our province.

As I step into this role, I am mindful that I have big shoes to fill following Jayne Wilson's leadership as Executive Director. I would like to sincerely thank Jayne for her dedication and commitment to foster caregivers and children across British Columbia. Her leadership has built a strong foundation for the BC Foster Parents Association, and I approach this role with deep respect for her contributions and a commitment to carrying her work forward.

Over time, I have had the opportunity to see the work of the BC Foster Parents Association up close, and I am continually impressed by the dedication, integrity, and impact of this organization. The Association does exceptional work supporting caregivers, amplifying their voices, and advocating for meaningful improvements across the child welfare system. To now be part of this work in a leadership role is both humbling and inspiring.

As a former long term foster caregiver, this role is deeply personal to me. I understand firsthand the joys, challenges, and responsibilities that come with opening your home and heart to children and youth. My passion for this position comes from lived experience and a deep respect for the caregiving community and the vital role you play every day.

In addition to my caregiving experience, I bring nearly two decades of experience with Caring Families Society, a Regional Support Agency focused on supporting, networking, and educating foster families. During this time, I have held leadership and coordination roles supporting foster caregivers, including Safe Babies, mentoring, protocol support, and serving as Executive Director.

I truly believe that when children and youth cannot remain safely with their families, they should be cared for in Family Care Homes (Foster or Kinship Caregivers) that have the resources, supports, and stability needed to provide a safe, loving environment. One that meets each child's unique needs and supports their well being, identity, and growth. Caregivers play a critical role in making this vision a reality, and they deserve the supports necessary to do so well.

The BC Foster Parent Association has a long history of strong, positive, and respectful relationships with the Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) and Indigenous Child and Family Service Agencies (ICFSAs). Equally important is my commitment to strengthening collaboration with Regional Support Agencies throughout British Columbia. These partnerships are essential to ensuring caregivers are supported, informed, and connected, and I am fully committed to sustaining and growing this collaborative approach.

In the months ahead, my priority is to listen carefully and intentionally to foster caregivers across the province. Your experiences, insights, and concerns will shape our direction and advocacy. I firmly believe the best solutions come from those doing the work, and meaningful change begins by understanding caregivers' current and evolving needs.

I am excited to advocate at the provincial level on behalf of foster caregivers, working to ensure you have the supports, resources, and recognition needed to provide the best possible care for the children and youth in your homes. Together, we can continue to build systems that value caregivers, strengthen placement stability, and improve outcomes for children and families.

Thank you for your trust in the BC Foster Parents Association and for the dedication you show every day. I look forward to listening, learning, and working alongside you as we continue this important work together.

Dan Malone
Executive Director

Families will be able to use this financial support to pay for therapies, supports, and services that they find most relevant and beneficial.

In addition to the expansions to direct funding, BC will see the expansion of available community-based services province-wide. Ideally, families will be able to get the supports they require closer to home. An additional investment, over the course of the three-year plan, of \$80 million will fuel the growth of these services by an anticipated 40%. The service expansion will include clinical therapy, behavioural and mental-health supports, as well as program navigation.

Other improvements within the plan are expected to result in easier navigation of available services and programming, as well as better connection with service providers. The government hopes to see a resulting system that is better aligned with other health and education services and simplifies processes for those accessing services. Additionally,

the government would like to see that services are working to meet children, youth, and families where they're at - physically and otherwise - rather than having individuals stretch to reach service providers and programming.

These investments and their attached plans come as a result of the provincial government's rethinking of the supports available to children and families through the improved coordination of programs, stronger supports, and increased accountability. According to ministry data there is an estimated 107,000 children and youth within BC that have reported support needs, not including "milder" learning disabilities. In recognition of this, the government has embarked on this investment plan based on what parents and caregivers have reported would be beneficial. The overall goal, is to enable children and youth to flourish while simultaneously strengthening family units.

Source: MCFD Press Release

Wildfire Preparedness for Families



Know your hazards



Make your plan



Gather your supplies

With wildfire season approaching, your community may be impacted and evacuation may be necessary. To support caregivers during emergencies, MCFD's Provincial Centralized Screening line is available 24/7 at **1-800-663-9122**. Please call as soon as it is safe to do so if you have been evacuated, are evacuating, or require support finding alternative accommodation. Care providers are also encouraged to ensure MCFD has their current contact information, including mobile phone numbers, so communication regarding children/youth in care can continue during emergency events.

Remember: "Don't Foster in Isolation!"
We are hosting several community & connection opportunities - please feel free to join us!

June 4th
Nature & Plant
Identification Walk

July 7th
Annual Summer Social at
West Lake

Ongoing:
Book Club
Park Play Days
Fishing Group
Coffee Socials

Coming to you this
fall!:
Money Sense
Workshops
facilitated by the
Public Guardian &
Trustee

**TO REGISTER OR FOR
MORE INFORMATION
CONTACT STEPHANIE
OR SAMANTHA** 
250-564-9064 EXT. 406

FOSTER PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM

**Prince George,
Mackenzie Vanderhoof,
Burns Lake, McBride &
Valemount!**

*The Foster Parent Support
Program is a voluntary
program that provides:*

- *Peer support*
- *Training opportunities, in person and online*
- *Quality of care and protocol support*
- *Resources*
- *Updated policy information*
- *And so much more!*



Provincial Strategy Initiatives: Message from Amanda Oliver, Director of Advocacy

I wanted to start my updates by recognizing the individual and collective work being accomplished every day by my colleagues in the Solutions and Kinship Pathways Programs. Our program staff provide direct support, advice, guidance, and advocacy for individual caregivers across the province. These dedicated staff members have developed strong and long-standing relationships within the fostering and kinship caregiver communities. They support caregivers facing complex problems often under stress and when they are most vulnerable or emotional. When caregivers face Foster Care Home Investigations or a Quality-of-Care Review, it is imperative that they have an experienced and knowledgeable support person to help mediate and walk with them through the process. I urge you to please reach out to your local agency caregiver support representatives or the BCFPA Solutions Program during these investigations, even when you believe you have no reason to be concerned; it is so important to know what to expect and your rights as a foster caregiver.

My work to meet and respond to caregivers around the province is ongoing, through our regional caregiver calls and in-person through several community engagement events. The information you share with me about your issues of concern and recommendations for improvements within the sector is invaluable. This feedback forms the basis of my advocacy goals, so please continue to reach out to me with your ideas and suggestions.

In April of this year, a delegation of representatives from BCFPA, a regional board representative, and agency staff from Interior Community Services worked together to provide three full days of learning, networking, and fun activities for families. ICS staff provided training, we hosted a caregiver network meeting, and a partnership meeting with caregivers, MCFD Staff and representatives of Ktunaxa Family Services. We ended the second day with a pizza and pool party, and finally hosted breakfast on the last day. It was a busy three days listening to community members, strengthening our relationships, and developing strategies to continue our collaborative work. I want to thank Kari Bepple and James Weir for their assistance in organizing the caregiver events and for making the trip so special. I hope we have many opportunities to work together in the future.

BCFPA remains committed to supporting caregivers in the northern region. I am grateful for the opportunity to collaborate with the Nisga'a First Nation, as well as the northern health authority who enabled staff to return to Terrace in March to provide direct support to caregivers. Responding to the needs of caregivers we initiated a Circle of Support group for caregivers, in April. The group meets online, on the second Wednesday of every month and offers both staff and peer support to caregivers in the north. If you would like to participate and join this group, please contact me and I will ensure you receive the invitation to our virtual meetings.

BCFPA has been meeting regularly with policy managers and executives within MCFD to address the motions carried from our last two Annual General Meetings. We're happy to have received a positive response to the motions we have discussed and an indication that the information is already having an impact, particularly in how family care home investigations are handled and the acknowledgment of often the devastating impact these have on Foster Care Homes. I will continue to provide updates on the motions as we see the proposed resolutions being implemented by MCFD policy makers and staff.

It is difficult to resolve some of the motions related to financial improvements for caregivers, given the governments current budget restraint. However, we continue to discuss issues related to utilizing relief care, and care for caregivers, needing to access trauma informed therapeutic care.

MCFD is aware of the need to retain strong and experienced caregivers across BC. My team and I amplify the voices of caregivers across the province focusing on interventions to support retention and recruitment. Foster caregivers remain the backbone of the child welfare system, and as we approach Child and Youth in Care month in June, I want to acknowledge and thank you for supporting children and youth in care to thrive.

Amanda Oliver
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Foster & Care Provider Portal

Apply to become a foster caregiver in B.C.

Create Account / Log In

You need a [BC Services Card Account](#) to log in.

MCFD has launched a new public-facing Caregiver Portal that will become the primary way prospective foster caregivers apply in BC. This welcome change marks a major shift after more than 30 years of BCFPA managing caregiver intakes. The portal will fully replace BCFPA's PDF and online intake form.

The new portal guides individuals and families through the steps to apply to become a foster caregiver. It allows applicants to request to attend an information session, submit forms, upload documents, and communicate digitally through a BC Services Card Account.

While the intake process is changing, BCFPA will continue serving as an important first point of contact for prospective caregivers by offering guidance, early-stage support, and tracking barriers or concerns applicants may experience. The initial rollout focuses on family home caregivers, with future expansion planned for other care provider types.

If you know a community member who is curious about fostering or ready to take the next step, please encourage them to call us at 1-800-663-9999 or they can visit careprovider.gov.bc.ca.

Foster caregivers provide care, connection, and belonging to children and youth who may be going through one of the most difficult times in their lives.

The impact of caregiving can last far beyond a moment. A caring adult, a stable home, and meaningful connection can help shape a child or youth's future.





BC Budget 2026: Child and Family Services Snapshot

BCFPA attended the provincial budget lock-up on February 17 in Victoria. This secure, invitation-only briefing gives journalists and key stakeholders early access to the provincial budget documents before they are tabled in the Legislature. More than just a fiscal overview, the lock-up offers an important opportunity for stakeholders to engage critically with the government's policy priorities and funding decisions.

The provincial government released *Budget 2026: Securing BC's Future* which is a measured plan to protect jobs and public services people rely on during a period of economic uncertainty. The government is trying to balance two competing realities: maintaining public services while also responding to growing deficits and fiscal pressure. BCFPA believes that it's crucial to continue investing in families. Programs that support health care, childcare, education, and affordable housing help people stay afloat during tough times and create long-term benefits for the economy.

Although the Minister of Finance said "this is not an austerity budget," the details tell a more cautious story. Many areas are only receiving small funding increases spread over three years. When you factor in rising costs and growing demand for services, those small increases can feel like cuts. At the same time, the government's tax increases are likely to put extra financial pressure on low and moderate-income households.

The budget includes spending reductions in some areas, which could affect the availability and quality of public services over time. These impacts are often felt most strongly by lower-income individuals and families who rely more heavily on public programs and supports. Health care and education are already facing financial pressures, and those challenges are expected to continue over the next three years. The government is also planning to reduce the size of the public sector workforce by approximately 15,000 positions including around 2,500 jobs within core government services.

The Ministry of Children and Family Development's 2026/27 budget increased by \$311.4 million, bringing the total ministry budget to \$2.71 billion.

Key investments include:

- \$170.3 million for child welfare and protection services, including frontline services, crisis response, care coordination, and support for Indigenous Child Welfare Director operations
- \$172.6 million for Children and Youth with Support Needs (CYSN), including funding to address growing caseloads and expand services and direct supports for families
- \$7.3 million for staffing to support children, youth, and families through crisis response, care coordination, and community connections
- \$2.5 million for the Indigenous Child Welfare Director (ICWD) operations which supports mandates to honour Indigenous jurisdiction while continuing to address the over-representation of Indigenous children and youth in government care

At the same time, the Ministry is expected to reduce spending by \$31.5 million through internal efficiencies and program reviews aimed at minimizing impacts to services while using resources efficiently.

Child Welfare and Protection

Although the number of children and youth in government care has decreased over the past 20 years, the needs of those still in care have become more complex and require more specialized supports. Budget 2026 provides:

- \$478 million over three years to support approximately 12,000 children and youth in government care, extended family care, Indigenous Child and Family Service Agencies, specialized homes, and independent living programs
- An additional \$170.3 million for child welfare and protection services focused on safety, stability, family preservation, permanency planning, Indigenous-led services, and post-care supports

Children and Youth with Support Needs (CYSN) Program Redesign

BC is redesigning services for children and youth with support needs to make them easier to access, more consistent across BC, and better coordinated. The redesign focuses on three main areas:

1. Direct financial supports for families, including new benefits for children with higher support needs and income-tested supplements
2. Expanded community services, such as more free local therapies, behavioural and mental health supports, programs for children and youth ages 6 to 18, and help navigating services
3. Simpler systems, with less paperwork and clearer processes for families

Community-based services will begin expanding, and the existing autism funding program will continue until March 2027. During the transition, eligible families will move to two new supports:

- A new CYSN Disability Benefit for children and youth with the highest support needs.
- An income-tested BC Disability Supplement to help families cover the costs of raising a child or youth with support needs.

Beginning July 1, 2027, a new income-tested Disability Supplement will be added to the BC Family Benefit.

- Families with eligible children or youth with support needs can receive up to \$6,000 per year per child.
- Eligibility will be based on qualification for the federal Disability Tax Credit.
- The benefit will begin to decrease at 4% for families with incomes above \$50,000.
- Payments will be delivered monthly along with the BC Family Benefit.

Over 2026 and 2027, the current Autism Individualized Funding program will be phased out and replaced by the new CYSN model.



The Importance of Recognizing Pride Month and Indigenous History Month

by The Indigenous Foundation

National Indigenous History Month

The month of June recognizes National Indigenous History Month in Canada, and is focused on celebrating and recognizing the importance of shedding light on the history, resilience, and achievements of Indigenous communities. This month marks an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the diverse cultures and traditions of Indigenous Peoples. It is also a time to reflect on and honour the land we live on, and work towards reconciliation.

This year, we will be shedding light on the importance of Indigenous History Month and Pride Month through a multi-part series that will be shared throughout the month on Instagram [@theindigenousfoundation](https://www.instagram.com/theindigenousfoundation).

This month and every month, it is critical to continue to support and uplift Indigenous voices and issues.

June was officially Marked as National Indigenous History Month in 2009 by the House of Commons as

National Aboriginal Month (in 2017 it was renamed to National Indigenous History Month). This was the result of a letter writing campaign that pressured the government to take action.

In 2007, Joely BigEagle-Kequahtoway and her husband started a letter and email writing campaign to “build support for the month to celebrate Indigenous achievements, artists, musicians, storytellers, matriarchs, elders and more.” (Schwientek, CBC)

An important part of this month is **National Indigenous Peoples Day** which takes place on June 21st. This takes place on the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, which has historically been a spiritually and culturally significant day for Indigenous peoples and communities to celebrate their heritage.

Pride Month

June also marks **Pride Month**, dedicated to celebrating and commemorating those who are part of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community.

History of Pride Month

One of the driving contributions to the existence of Pride Month today were the **1969 Stonewall Riots** (June 28). The following year marked the **first Pride Marches**, on June 28, 1970, as a way to commemorate Stonewall, eventually leading up to Pride Month being established and celebrated throughout the globe today.

More on the Stonewall Riots

The Stonewall Riots were a defining moment for the recognition of 2SLGBTQIA+ rights and awareness - they began after a police raid at the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar located in Lower Manhattan in New York City.

Recognizing BIPOC Communities in the Pride Movement

Some of the leading activists behind the Stonewall Riots included Marsha P. Johnson, Sylvia Rivera, and Stormé DeLarverie, all of whom had intersecting identities that included the struggles they faces as members of the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, and also the BIPOC community. Their work and activism reminds us of the importance of recognizing the intersecting identities that encompass what it means to be 2SLGBTQIA+.

The Intersex-Inclusive Pride Flag is one of the newest and most widely recognized variations of the Pride Flag. It was designed to acknowledge the contributions of Indigenous, Black, and other racialized communities within the Pride movement while also recognizing the diversity of orientations, gender identities, and experiences represented in the 2SLGBTQIA+ community, including intersex individuals.

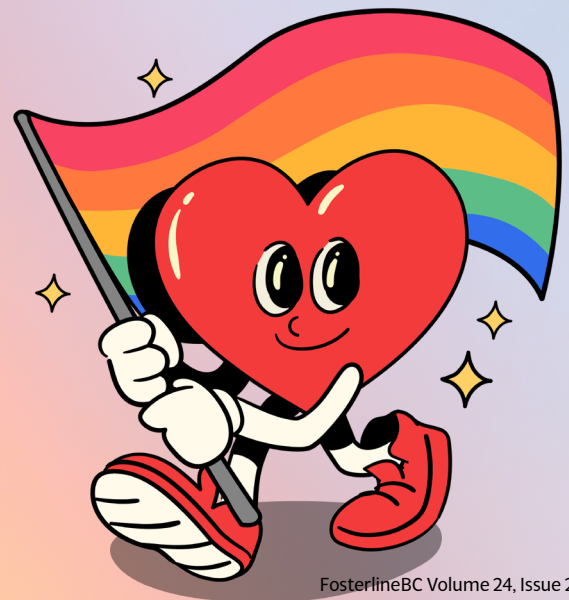
The Importance of Intersectionality

As we recognize both Pride Month and National Indigenous History Month, it is important to recognize the importance of uplifting the voices of Two-Spirit individuals, and Indigenous folks who are celebrating their queer identities.

What Can You Do to Celebrate?

- Amplify Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ voices.
- Recognize the importance of intersectionality, and the intersection between Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ movements.
- Support Indigenous 2SLGBTQIA+ voices/ platforms.
- Donate to Indigenous-led organizations.
- Donate to organizations that support resources for 2SLGBTQIA+ youth.
- **Celebrate Indigenous and 2SLGBTQIA+ voices every month, not just in June!**
- It is important to acknowledge that you are living on stolen land, and do what you can to educate yourself. A great resource is native-land.ca.
- Read books by Indigenous authors, support Indigenous filmmakers, listen to music by Indigenous artists and take online courses. Check out the [UBC Indigenous Film Guide](#)
- Educate those around you on the true history of Canada, and the impacts of intergenerational trauma that stem from colonization and residential schools.
- Advocate for the end to the clean drinking water crisis in Canada by signing petitions to the Canadian government, and donating to organizations supporting those impacted.

Visit the indigenousfoundation.org for more incredible information, resources, online courses, and introductions to Indigenous artists, authors, filmmakers, and other storytellers.





What You Need to Know about Teens and Self-Harm

by Jeff Yalden, Teen Mental Health Speaker and Suicide Prevention Expert

Meet Jeff Yalden

Yalden has talked about teens' mental health and suicide prevention since 1992. He believes it is an honor to be trusted to speak on teens and mental health in high school assemblies and to school communities all over the world. He recognizes that there is a high probability that one will come across topics related to self-harm or self-injury when talking about teen suicide prevention and teen mental health, and that these topics, although difficult, make for necessary discussions.

As a teenage mental health speaker, he educates teenagers in various ways. One of the ways is through a full school assembly. The other way is collaborating with counselors and having a one-on-one sessions with students. Through his training, he has noticed that one-on-one sessions are more successful because the teenagers are comfortable sharing their emotional pain and life experiences and how they cope with life's challenges.

“ Self-harm should not be an indication that the individual is suicidal. Suicide and self-harm are very different. While they're both inflictions of pain, and sometimes true that the individual self-harming may later make a forever decision, generally the individual engaging in self-harming behaviors does not wish to end their life. They're using self-harm as a way to cope with the stressors in their life. Whereas, individuals who attempt suicide have the intent to end their life due to their pain and suffering.

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What is Self-Harm?

Self-harm is a non-suicidal act of deliberately harming or injuring one's body.

Types of Self-Harm

Many people think that self-harm is limited to burning and cutting oneself. However, this is not the case since self-harm includes other activities such as pulling out

bodily hairs, punching walls, ingesting toxic substances or sharp objects, head banging, self-medicating, and even reckless behavior.

Would you include vaping as self-harm? Absolutely. The same way you would include alcohol, pot, pills, etc.

Reasons Teens Self-Harm

There are various reasons why teenagers engage in self-harm. Some of them include the following:

- Emotional disconnect or detachment from or not being validated by their parents. Self-harm makes them feel alive inside and helps confirm their existence in reality.
- Peer pressure. The desire for teenagers to be accepted by their peers will lead them to conform to group norms and expectations, such as self-harm. Research has shown that individuals will conform to their peers' norms, behaviors, and attitudes because they lack self-esteem.
- For girls, self-harm may be used as a coping strategy with overly demanding parents, especially in situations where the father is the dominant voice when it comes to discipline and decision-making.

Three Common Reasons Teens Self-Harm

During my one-on-one interaction with teenage students, I have discovered that one of the main reasons why teens engage in self-harm is because they lack meaningful relationships. For example, some students have claimed that they don't have friends. Secondly, they feel they disappoint themselves, their parents, friends, and teachers. Thirdly, the teens feel they are a burden and do not want to speak up. My advice to teenagers on this matter is to speak up. Otherwise, the issues (negative feelings, depression, trauma, and brokenness) they fail to speak up about will end up hurting them later in life.

My job is to be a trusted adult providing a safe place for them to share and start the conversation. In other words, my job is to provide a safe environment for teenagers to open up. Similar to filling the gap between their pain and getting the help they need and encouraging them to find that trusted professional so they can deal with whatever it is that is driving them to cope in an unhealthy manner.

Unfortunately, most parents of these teenagers lack the capability to provide trust or a safe environment where the children can express their emotions, which pushes them away. Teenagers need an adult or a parent who provides them with love, support, validation of their thoughts and feelings, and trust. Do not think of how you will respond as a trusted guardian, adult, or parent. Take the time to create a safe space with an open heart and show you are proud they have come to you, and they are talking.

Self-injury may be an attempt to:

- Cope or decrease severe emotional distress or anxiety and provide relief.
- Provide a distraction from painful emotions through physical pain.
- Feel a sense of control over the body, feelings, or life situations.
- Feel something — anything — even if it's a physical pain when feeling emotionally empty.
- Express internal feelings in an external way.
- Communicate feelings of stress or depression to the outside world.
- Punish oneself.

Self-Harm: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly

The first step I take when a teenager says that they are self-harming is not to get alarmed or react. Instead, I thank them for expressing their emotions and trusting me. It takes a lot of courage for a teenage student to trust me and express their emotions.

The Good in Self-Harm

I am not saying self-harm is healthy, but from the side of intervention, self-harming teens are crying for help, wanting to be heard. Therefore, don't react and think it's a suicide attempt.

Many people, including teachers, are shocked when I say self-harm has benefits. Indeed, there are various benefits to self-harm. For many of these teens, cutting or burning themselves numbs unpleasant thoughts. It helps take the emotional pain away, leaving them in control of the physical pain that replaces emotional pain. The other benefit of self-harm to student teenagers is that it gives them fast-acting relief from

emotional distress and pain. Physical pain stimulates the body to release endorphins. Endorphins block nerve cells from receiving or transmitting pain signals.

Essentially, self-harm among teenagers is a coping strategy for teenagers with emotional pain. These teenagers need help, but they do not know the best way to seek this help since they are afraid of being judged, not being heard, not being validated, and parents not reacting, to mention a few.

The other reason teenagers fail to speak out is that they do not know exactly how to articulate what they are feeling and why they are acting out in an unhealthy manner. It is good that teenagers have emotions. Otherwise, a lack of emotions is a concern among teenagers since it is abnormal. Most teenagers are surprised that I do not disappoint or judge them. Instead, I take away their guilt and shame. Therefore creating a safe environment for them is an essential step in ensuring that teenagers open up.

When the teenagers open up to me, I tell them, "You know this isn't a healthy way of coping, right?" The teenagers agree with me. I then show the alternative ways of coping with the emotional distress that they are going through. I then encourage them to seek professional help.

It is important to note that one cannot help a teen who self-harms if one does not know they need help.

The Bad in Self-Harm

One of the major reasons teens are turning towards self-harming behaviors is the endorphin effect they receive. Endorphins are secreted into their bloodstream when teens cut or burn themselves. They experience a numbing or pleasurable sensation which is bad because if they don't get the professional help they need this pleasurable feeling will continue to make them feel better. They'll continue self-injury, making seeking help difficult the longer they're not learning healthy coping skills.

Self-injury can cause major complications, such as:

- Worsening feelings of shame, guilt, and low self-esteem.
- Infection, either from wounds or from sharing tools.
- Permanent scars or other permanent harm to the body.

- Worsening of underlying issues and conditions, if not properly treated.
- Severe injury that could lead to death.

The Ugly in Teen Self-Harm

Self-injury is not usually a suicide attempt. However, it indicates an existing problem, which means if this emotional problem is not treated promptly, the risk of suicide also increases. Additionally, it is essential to note that the patterns of injury when a teenager is distressed may increase the risk of suicide. For example, self-inflicted wounds may happen regularly and, at times, increase blood loss, increasing the risk of suicide. Additionally, some injuries may be fatal, increasing the risk of suicide. To reduce the risk of suicide, an individual or teenager with emotional and mental health problems must seek professional help.

Prevalence of Self-Harming Teens

Self-harming behaviors among teenagers are prevalent across all cultures and social and economic levels. It is hard to estimate the prevalence of self-harming behaviors between males and females. Generally, there are more young females engaged in self-harming behaviors than men.

Teen Self-Harm: Knowing When to Get Help

Most guardians and parents do not know that their children are engaging in self-harming behaviors because they do it in private or with their friends. Many people confuse self-decoration with self-harm. There is also a big difference between self-decorating and self-harm. It seems a popular fad among teens today to use body piercings and tattoos as a form of self-decorating. Teens who self-harm seek relief from emotional pain; they are not self-decorating.

Signs and Symptoms that Self-Harm is a Problem with Your Teen

- Cuts, scratches or burn marks on their arms, legs, and abdomens.
- Excessive rubbing of an area creates a burn.
- Finding knives, razor blades, box cutters, and others

- Sharp objects hidden in the teen's bedroom.
- Keeping sharp objects or other items used for self-harm on hand.
- Regularly locking themselves up in the bedroom or bathroom following a bad day at school, negative encounters with peers, and family conflicts for lengthy periods
- The family physician, a teacher, or other adult observes cut or burn marks or that the teen appears to be regularly removing bodily hairs
- The teen's peers cut or burn themselves.
- Reports from a sibling indicating that they found blood-encrusted razors or caught the teen in the act of self-injuring
- Scars are often seen appearing in patterns.
- Excessive rubbing of an area creates a burn.
- The teens often wear long sleeves or long pants to hide self-harm, even in hot weather.
- Frequent reports of accidental injury.
- Relationship difficulties with others.
- Impulsive, intense, and unexpected behaviors and emotions change quickly.
- Talk of helplessness, hopelessness, or worthlessness.

Professional Treatment for Self-Harming Teens

The most effective treatment strategy for self-harming behaviors among teenagers is family therapy. A skilled family therapist can help improve family communication, teach conflict-resolution and problem-solving skills, and help foster more meaningful and closer relationships between parents and teens.

The other treatment strategy is support groups that teach teenagers effective coping and skill-building skills. The coping skills that the teenagers obtain from these groups will help them manage negative emotions and thoughts and cultivate healthier stress management activities.

How Can Teen Self-Harm be Prevented?

One of the effective strategies that can be used to reduce self-harm is having a healthy relationship between teenagers and their parents. In this regard, parents should spend more time with their teenagers and their family. There are various ways to improve this relationship can be improved. Some ways include encouraging open communication, compassionate listening, and showing love and support without judgment between parents and teenagers.

When to Seek Help for Self-Harm

Take all signs seriously. If your child or a student you know is self-harming, even if you think it is a minor way of self-harm, or if you have thoughts of self-harm or harming someone else, reach out and ask for help. Any form of self-injury signifies something bigger, and these stressors need attention.

Find a trustworthy adult, such as a friend, relative, health care professional, spiritual guide, teacher, counselor, or nurse at school. They can aid in your initial steps toward a successful course of treatment. Even though you might feel guilty and embarrassed about your actions, you can get helpful, compassionate assistance from people who won't pass judgment on you. It's alright, and keep in mind the adage, "You can't get aid if nobody knows you need it."

More Information

To learn more about teen mental health and suicide prevention, visit jeffyalden.com.

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Provincial Resources

BC Foster Parents Association 1-800-663-9999
bcfosterparents.ca

After Hours Foster Parent Support Line 1-888-495-4440

Indigenous Perspectives Society 1-844-391-0007
fostercaregiversbc.ca

Federation of BC Youth in Care Networks 1-800-565-8055
fbcyicn.ca

Belonging Network 1-877-236-7807
belongingnetwork.com

BC Council for Families 604-678-8884

Pacific Post Partum Support Society 604-255-7999
postpartum.org

Parent Help Line 1-888-603-9100

Parents Together 604-325-0511

Parent Support Services of BC 1-800-345-9777
parentsupportbc.ca

Representative for Children & Youth 1-800-476-3933
rcybc.ca

FAE/S Support Network 604-507-6675

Kelty Mental Health Resource Centre 1-800-665-1822

Interior

For contact information for local foster parent groups or support in your area, please call 1-800-663-9999.

Okanagan Foster Parent Association
okfosterparents.ca
Central Okanagan 250-870-8991
North Okanagan 250-558-0939
South Okanagan 250-462-6907
Shuswap 250-515-1522

Okanagan Metis Children & Family Services 250-868-0351

Interior Community Services 1-877-376-3660
interiorcommunityservices.bc.ca
icsfp.info
East Kootenay 250-426-6013
West Kootenay 778-460-5174
Cariboo 250-609-201
Kamloops and area 236-421-0031

Island

For contact information for local foster parent groups or support in your area, please call 1-800-663-9999.

Caring Families Society 1-888-922-8437
caring-families.ca

Victoria 778-430-5459
Nanaimo/Cowichan Valley 250-618-8327
Comox Valley 250-896-7929
Campbell River 250-204-1566
Port Alberni 250-735-1124

North

For contact information for local foster parent groups or support in your area, please call 1-800-663-9999.

AXIS Family Resources 1-877-392-1003
axis.bc.ca

Community Bridge (Fort St. John) 250-793-2261
communitybridge.ca

Coast Fraser

For contact information for local foster parent groups or support in your area, please call 1-800-663-9999.

Hollyburn Family Services 604-987-8211
hollyburn.ca

Vancouver Aboriginal Child & Family Services Society 778-331-4500
vacfss.com

Foster Hub 1-877-926-1185
fosterhub.ca

Archway Community Services 778-880-8555
archway.ca

Fraser Valley Foster Parent Association 1-877-797-7701
fraservalleyfosterparents.org

South Vancouver Youth Centre 604-325-2004
milieu.ca

Pacific Community Resources Society 604-587-8100
pcrs.ca

The Children's Foundation 604-434-9101
childrens-foundation.org

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Address: _____ City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____ Region: _____

Local Association (BCFPA Branch): _____

Level of Foster Home: (select one)

Restricted ___ Regular ___ Level I ___ Level II ___ Level III ___ Contractor ___ Other ___

This is a: New Membership ___ (OR) a Renewal ___

1 year: individual \$30.00 ___ OR couple \$35.00 ___

2 year: individual \$50.00 ___ OR couple \$60.00 ___

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OR my affiliation with the BCFPA is (i.e. staff, MCFD, non-foster parent): _____

As members of the BC Foster Parent Associations, I/we agree to abide by the Bylaws, Policy and Procedures, and Code of Ethics of the Association. _____
[signature(s)]

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