

## OUR VISION FOR 2015

Through a variety of projects and initiatives, we are working to achieve our vision.

### *Disability Supports*

Everyone has supports for daily living and enjoys full social participation in inclusive and accessible communities.

### *Supporting Children and Families*

Supporting children and families is an integral part of our community culture. Supports are well funded, readily accessible, personalized and anchored in policy and practice.

### *Inclusive Education*

An inclusive education culture celebrates and embraces uniqueness, has appropriate supports and resources, and provides equitable access to lifelong learning.

### *Income Security*

No person with a developmental disability lives in poverty.

### *Employment*

Every person with a developmental disability who wants a job has a job.

**Yes,** I want to support people with developmental disabilities to participate as active citizens in communities.

Your gift today will work towards building inclusive communities for children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families.

Together we can inspire a *world where everyone belongs*

### *How you can help...*

- Make a one-time donation (mail us a cheque or donate online)
- Join our Circle of Friends monthly giving program (donate as little as \$1 per month)
- Make a planned gift of:
  - Bequests—gifts through a will
  - Gifts of RRSP's and RRIF's
  - Life Insurance
  - Trusts
  - Real Estate
  - Publicly listed securities
  - Gifts of private company shares
- Other gifts (in kind)
- Volunteer

Contact us for more information and other ways you can contribute.

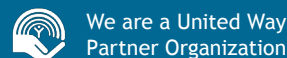
***Thank you for your support!***



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supporting people with developmental disabilities  
keeping families strong  
creating inclusive communities  
promoting equal opportunities  
building public awareness

***Our name is our goal.*** Community living is something most of us take for granted. We live in our communities, work with our peers, and connect with our neighbours and friends as a natural part of our daily lives. Our goal is to make it possible for every person, whatever their ability, to live and participate as a full citizen in their community. Everyone has hopes and dreams, and the desire to belong and contribute. Making that happen is what we're all about!

## community living



### ***Our Mission***

The British Columbia Association for Community Living (BCACL) is a provincial, non-profit organization that is working with partners to build community and to enhance the lives of children, youth and adults with developmental disabilities and their families by supporting abilities, promoting action and advancing rights, responsibilities and social justice.

#### ***We accomplish our mission through:***

*Community Development Initiatives  
Partnership and Coalition Building  
Public Awareness and Media Relations  
Education and Training  
Individual and Systems Advocacy*

In our efforts to create positive change in the lives of individuals, families and communities, we work with all sectors of society - non-profit and volunteer organizations, educators, health care workers, advocates, government, business, and the general public.

### ***Our Members***

Our member associations deliver a wide range of support services throughout British Columbia, including early intervention, family support, residential services and other kinds of individualized supports and services. They also work with community partners to increase access to recreation, employment, volunteer and civic opportunities. Together we are building communities where everyone belongs!

#### ***We are part of a bigger movement***

We are a member of a national Federation of over 400 community, 10 provincial and three territorial associations, together forming the Canadian Association for Community Living (CACL). CACL is also a member of Inclusion International, an association of over 110 countries. Achieving the vision of inclusive communities is a global movement and we are proud to be a part of it.

### ***What is a developmental disability?***

A developmental disability is a lifelong intellectual disability that affects an individual's intellectual development. Individuals may have difficulty understanding abstract concepts or adapting to some of the demands of daily life. This disability varies greatly between individuals and as such, we strive to ensure that supports and services are as individualized as possible.

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