



# CommunityLink

70TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

## CLOSURE DATES

**MONDAY JULY 3rd**  
Canada Day

**MONDAY AUGUST 2nd**  
BC Day

**AUG. 21st-SEPT. 1st**  
Summer Closure

**MONDAY SEPT. 4th**  
Labour Day

**MONDAY OCT. 2nd**  
National Truth &  
Reconciliation Day

**MONDAY OCT. 9th**  
Thanksgiving

**June 2023  
Community BBQ**



**CELEBRATING 70 YEARS OF PATHWAYS!**

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# HADGRAFT-WILSON PLACE

## Building Complete!

Hadgraft-Wilson Place is named in recognition of two families who advocate for those with diverse-abilities and who have supported Pathways considerably. Hadgraft-Wilson Place provides affordable and subsidized rental units for people with limited incomes, families, singles, seniors and people living with diverse-abilities.

The goal of this building is to provide access to a safe and inclusive home for in our community.

There are 68 units in The Hadgraft-Wilson. There are 10 accessible apartments - which provide improved storage spaces and space for those living with mobility aids and diverse-abilities.



The other 58 units comprise studio, single-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments. Some of these units are subsidized units, providing extra relief for those needing it. Alongside these subsidized apartments, all other units are offered at a considerably lower cost than the current market rate.



PHOTO: Wayne Moore

<https://www.castanet.net/news/Kelowna/432303/New-affordable-housing-project-barely-making-a-dent-in-Kelowna-market>

The Building Manager, Terry Ginther, is actively sharing Pathways mission to those renting in the building. He is creating an inclusive space and making sure that everyone feels safe at Hadgraft-Wilson Place.



B.C. Housing Minister Ravi Kahlon speaks at Hadgraft Wilson Place  
<https://www.kelownacapnews.com/news/kelowna-mayor-housing-minister-champion-low-cost-and-supportive-housing/>

# TRAVEL CLUB



## CAMP OWAISSI

AUG. 28th-SEPT. 1st 2023

### COST:

approx. \$350.00

### REGISTRATION & INFORMATION:

[travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca](mailto:travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca)



**Self-Advocate Group**



For people Eligible for CLBC Services, self-advocates and their allies

## 8 FREE MONTHLY ZOOM PROGRAMS

All Programs are on Saturday from 1pm-2:30pm

### MONTHLY PROGRAMS 2023

**SEPT. 30th:**

Find the Perfect Job!

Jacob Moriarty,  
Thompson Community Services

**OCT. 28th:**

Self Defense & Safety Awareness

Andy Fanslau,  
Pure Self-Defense

**NOV. 25th:**

Identity Theft & Fraud Prevention

Holly Davis,  
Interior Savings Credit Union

## REGISTRATION

to register for any of these programs please contact

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# PART 1 70 YEARS OF Pathways Abilities Society

**1953**

Sunnyvale - a school for the education of children with mental handicaps was established by a group of parents and teachers

**1958**

Sunnyvale Centre had 13 students & 2 teachers who taught ages 7-13 and 15-30 years old.

**1968**

Sunnyvale Workshop was established. This workshop provided training for 42 adults in woodwork, ceramics, and handicrafts

**1973**

The society moved forward from children's services to establishing Bertram residents for adults. Bertram was home for 12 diverse individuals

**1987**

Although only operational for a year and a half, in 1987 the Society purchased the Korner Cafe and turned it into an "on the job" training restaurant called Champs

**1986**

Services expanded and 4 new homes were purchased. This home served 16 individuals & offered respite on the weekends.

**1978**

Focus was fully shifted to supporting the needs of adults with diverse-abilities

**1988**

The society was running four levels of vocational services including personal skills development and vocational training. The society served sixty-eight people and was supported by sixteen staff members.

**1989**

To integrate further into the community, the society founded Wedding Belles and Baskets & Kelowna Diversified Industries Firewood Project -- which served 21 people all together.

To Be Continued in the Fall Edition...



## CELEBRATING 5 YEARS OF WORKING AT PATHWAYS

This June we celebrated the individuals who have worked for 5 years through the employment department within our community.



Ryan Swift



Howard  
Stephens



Andrew  
Patterson



Glen Kunka



Sean Coukell



Garrison Frost

### VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

KENDRA BURG



*Kendra has been working with Pathways since late September 2022. She volunteers at Bikeways weekly and is a huge source of joy for everyone on the team. Kendra used to work as a motorcycle mechanic, so she told us that working with Bikeways was the perfect fit. Kendra has a huge heart for all those that Pathways and Bikeways support. She has worked tirelessly for decades to promote equality and rights for individuals who might otherwise not be heard. She was part of a 12-person cross-Canada team that assessed the medical support structure for the transgender community. This work led to a report highlighting the system's strengths and weaknesses. The report was widely distributed across Canada, and many recommendations were adopted. She hopes to be a good role model for future generations by being a light source in the community. Kendra told us, "It's not just about me and what I do here; it's about what we can do to help the community".*

THANK YOU KENDRA FOR ALL THAT YOU DO!

## THANK YOU!

This page is dedicated to those who have contributed their time, energy, skills, and financial donations towards Pathways.

We could not do this without you.



Thank you Darlene Hass and the Kelowna Hostess for volunteering their time and BBQ at our June 9th, 2023 Community BBQ!

## RECENT DONATIONS

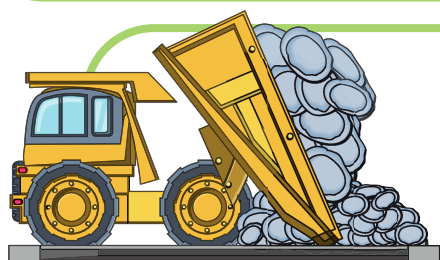
**Randy Christian**  
\$6,007.80

**Patrick D'Vaz**  
\$4800.00

**Shirley Lowe**  
\$500.00

**OCCA Communities  
Association**  
\$100.00

**S. M. Simpson  
Family Fund**  
\$471.01



**Kettle Valley Stone  
Company & Ron Jorde**  
Donating Loads of  
landscaping rocks for our  
Franklyn rd. location.

## SERVICE AREA & STAFF CONTACT DIRECTORY

please call (250) 763-4837 then use the correct extension for who you are trying to reach.

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# DISABILITY TAX CREDIT



we are all  
connected

## Guide to the Disability Tax Credit (DTC) and Registered Disability Savings Plan (RDSP) for Newcomers with Disabilities

<https://disabilityalliancebc.org/new-resource-guide-to-the-dtc-and-rdsp-for-newcomers-with-disabilities/>

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