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Thank You

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♥ Audrey Pekrul

♥ Cyndy Omand



Thank you **Secure-Rite** for making a donation and generously providing us with free bin storage.

Pictured Right to left is Lucas Griffin, President of Secure-Rite presenting Charisse Daley with the cheque.



Thank you Brad Grittner from **Laser Glass Railing** presenting Charisse Daley with a donation cheque for \$2,280.

Kelowna Curling Club

Thank you for donating space to house our 2 C-Cans that store excess products!!!



Crazy Creek Hot Pools Resort

Thank for donating 6 lounge chairs and 4 lawn chairs!

Hadgraft-Wilson Update, Closure Dates

CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY!

Construction continues to be underway for our new affordable 68 unit apartment complex!

The rental building will provide homes for people with limited income and market rental units for families, singles, seniors and people living with diverse-abilities.

The six-storey wood frame building, in the heart of downtown, will feature above-ground parking and a mix of unit types from studios to two-bedrooms.

The building meets universal design standards. There will be eight units designated to those with diverse-abilities.

The building is called Hadgraft Wilson Place in recognition of two families who are advocates for those with diverse-abilities and who have provided considerable support to Pathways.



2022 Closure Dates

Friday, September 30, 2022

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Monday, October 10, 2022

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 11, 2022

Remembrance Day

Monday, December 26, 2022 to

Friday, December 30, 2022

Christmas Closure

2023 Closure Dates

Sunday, January 1, 2023 - New Years Day

Reopening Monday, January 2, 2023

Monday, January 30, 2023 - In-Service

Monday, February 20, 2023 - Family Day

Friday, April 7, 2023 - Good Friday

Monday, April 10, 2023 - Easter Monday

Monday, May 22, 2023 - Victoria Day

Monday, June 19, 2023 - In-Service

Monday, July 3, 2023 - Observing Canada Day

Monday, August 7, 2023 - BC Day

Monday, August 21, 2023

to Friday, September 1, 2023

Summer Closure

Re-opening Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Monday, September 4, 2023 - Labour Day

Monday, October 2, 2023

Observing National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Monday, October 9, 2023 - Thanksgiving

Monday, November 13, 2023

Observing Remembrance Day

Monday, December 25, 2023 to

Monday, January 1, 2024 - Christmas Closure

Re-opening Tuesday, January 2, 2024

Self - Advocates , Volunteer Highlight



OKANAGAN SELF-ADVOCATE GROUP

**Adults (over age 19) with Autism (ASD)
or Divers-abilities (Disabilities) in B.C. Invited**

Free

**ZOOM Programs in 2022
All Programs on Saturdays from 1 PM – 2:30 PM.**

October 29—Anxiety: A Common Barrier to Social Inclusion
Becky Molly, Clinical Director, Pacific Coast Community Resources Inc.

November 26 - Clearing the Clutter
Corey Anderson, Owner and Manager of Organize My Space Kelowna

To Register for ZOOM Presentations Contact:
Linda Youmans, Okanagan Self-Advocate Group Advisor
okanaganselfadvocategroup15@yahoo.com
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BikeWays Volunteer - Ian Gillis

Like most people my love of cycling began as a child. I suppose similar to many, my tinkering with bikes began at a young age as well. Although it seems to me that I was better at taking my bike apart than putting it back together. Growing up in a rural town on Vancouver Island, cycling afforded me the freedom to explore, visit friends and travel to and from school faster than on foot. Since then I have almost always had a bike and sometimes more than one bike.

During my long career in the Royal Canadian Navy I lived in many places in Canada and abroad, and I always had a bike. The bike was a means of commuting to work for much of the time. It was also a means to social connections with friends and bicycling clubs.

When my career ended due to a life threatening illness I trained as a bicycle mechanic at a Quadra Bicycle School, located on Quadra Island. During the five week course students were exposed to all aspects of bicycle repair. In the latter stages of the course students were put to work repairing, and in some cases, refurbishing bicycles owned by the Island residents. In many ways this prepared me very well for Bikeways as we generally worked on older bikes many of which had been neglected by their owners. Over the past four years at Bikeways I have encountered numerous challenges, most of which can be overcome in one way or another. Restoring a bike that was destined for, or in fact recovered from, the landfill is fantastic and making that bike available to someone at fair price gives me great satisfaction. I particularly enjoy providing customers maintenance advice to help them enjoy their “new” bike for years to come. In addition to my time at Bikeways I also volunteer with the Central Okanagan Food Bank assisting with the food hamper distribution in West Kelowna.



Inclusion Chain 2022



Please come Celebrate Community Inclusion Month with us on **October 5th at 10:00 am at Kelowna City Hall for our annual Inclusion Chain.** **Please invite family and friends!** Warm beverages provided.

Pathways Holiday Luncheon



Save the date

Thursday, December 22nd

With more details coming soon!



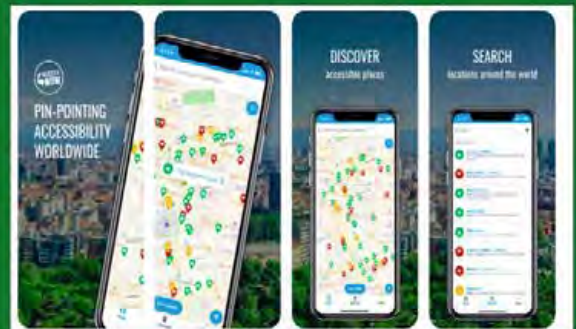
Pathways Abilities Society held their **69th Annual General Meeting (AGM)** on September 12, 2022. Three directors were re-elected to the board for a three-year term Chuck Hopkins, Richard Pringle and Karl Vollman.

The inaugural meeting of the board was held after the AGM and we are pleased to announce the 2022/2023 Board of Directors are as follows:

Officers: Mark Reinelt-President, David Low-Vice-President and Patricia Rantucci-Secretary Treasure.

Directors: Richard Pringle, Jock Craddock, Chuck Hopkins, Jim Hadgraft and Karl Vollman.

Useful Sources - AccessNow App



This week, we're introducing the **AccessNow** app! Access Now is a community-driven app that pinpoints accessible locations on an interactive map. For example, you can look up places like restaurants, museums and attractions and view their accessibility ratings: accessible, partially accessible, patio access only and not accessible. You can also rate locations and even add your own to help others in the community.

AccessNow mission is to establish a go to resource for accessibility information.

In addition, every user can add locations to the crowd-sourced database and update the accessibility status of areas on an interactive map.

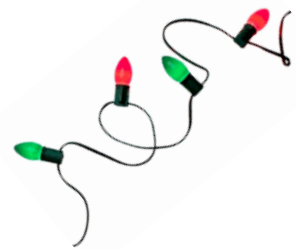
Access Now is free and available on both iOS and Android devices.

Mother Earth Poem

Mother Earth

By Terron Lloyd

As snow fall down from the sky
I don't care if you are up high
As The lights are red and green
As if we were always been
Be free from status and fame
Like a feeling that started to come
I just have one wish
It's for you come into my arms, let's just end this
For every time I look at you
I just got this feeling that I like this
If you are meant for me
Then I meant for you
The work might see a celebrity
But I see an angel
The world doesn't understand true beauty come within
As it forgotten from the beauty in each other
Just like Romeo know that Juliet is the one
I got a feeling that you might be the one
The one who will look past my flaws like I can look past yours
Once we meet I will take you for a tour
The tour of the heart which was wanting you
I'm wishing you my love
A beautiful Valentine's Day with your family and friends
Just remember homemade gift are more
Because they come
These days are dark
As if I just got shot in my heart
As The earth is getting warmer
I just wish I could hold her
Our Mother Earth which is holding us today
She can be sad because this weather today
Oh how hot has it been
I wish I could go back where we begin
No more wars
Just per love
As I looked into your beautiful eyes
Hear your beautiful voice with your accent
Just say my name



Contact Information

Phone Directory!



To reach any of our service areas, except the homes, call **250-763-4837**.
The message tree will give you options of what area and who to speak to;
however the extensions are listed below.



Pathways Service Area	Extension	Email
Activity Service	1	See Activity Supervisors
West Kelowna Activity Service	2	aswestkelowna@pathwayskelowna.ca
Bikeways	3	bikeways@pathwayskelowna.ca
Staff Directory	5	NA
Staff Extensions		
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Travel Club/ Hiring

Travel Club

Mexico - November

Approximate \$3,500

Disneyland - May 2023

Approximate \$3,500

Camp Owaissi - August 2023

Approximate \$350

For more information and
to register email

travelclub@pathwayskelowna.ca



PATHWAYS ABILITIES SOCIETY IS HIRING!

We are looking to fill a variety of positions from casual to full-time. We offer great benefits for our permanent employees and a flexible schedule for our casual staff.

If you are interested in applying or have any questions, please e-mail
hr@pathwayskelowna.ca.

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