



# 40 years of growth, in a continuing effort to meet the needs of the community.

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<p>Our first project is to publish a resource directory of the social services available in the community (1979).</p>	<p>We begin a life skills program for adults with developmental disabilities (1987).</p> <p>We begin offering employment programs (1988).</p>	<p>We start an infant development program to support infants up to age three who are thought to have a developmental delay or disability (1991).</p> <p>We begin a counselling service for children who are suspected of having been sexually abused (1992).</p> <p>We start a parent-tot drop in program (1996).</p> <p>We begin to offer daycare programs to help prepare children for kindergarten – Kid Kapers and Kinder Kapers (1999).</p> <p>We start offering pregnant women education and support to keep themselves and their baby healthy (1998).</p>	<p>We begin to help people who are homeless to access resources, funding and housing (2006).</p> <p>We start to manage Castle Rock, subsidized family housing in Squamish (2008).</p> <p>We begin to help adults with developmental disabilities to find a home within the community that meets their needs (2008).</p> <p>We begin to offer physical and occupational therapy to children too young for school (2000), complementing work we'd been doing with school-aged children.</p> <p>We open childcare centres in Pemberton (2000) and Squamish (2007).</p> <p>We start a program of providing parents with childcare information and supporting childcare providers (2001).</p> <p>Our preschools start using HighScope curriculum, proven to increase a child's development (2005).</p> <p>We start to help families whose child is thought to have been exposed to alcohol in the womb (2006).</p> <p>We start offering StrongStart playgroups (2007).</p> <p>We begin out-of-school care programs at Squamish elementary schools (2008).</p>	<p>We open and begin to manage Riverstones, an affordable housing development in Squamish (2010).</p> <p>We move into our new building, Centrepont and open Centrepont Apartments. (2017).</p> <p><b>Helping to house families and individuals</b></p> <p>We begin our preschool and after-school programs in Pemberton (2010).</p> <p>We set up preschools in three elementary schools in Squamish (2011).</p> <p>We start to run the Seeds of Empathy program in our preschools to enhance children's empathy and early learning (2012).</p>
	<p>We provide daycare (1992) so that teenage mothers can attend school.</p> <p>We start helping teens with developmental disabilities to socialize and have fun (1994).</p>		<p>We begin managing the Squamish Youth Resource Centre (2001).</p> <p>We start a program (2008) to help teenagers gain the skills needed in adulthood, such as budgeting and making community connections.</p>	<p><b>Providing children with the best start in life and care that enhances their development</b></p>
	<p>We begin to offer services to help families whose children are at risk of being or already have been removed from their family home (1980).</p>	<p>We start a program of one-on-one support (1987) that gives families help with budgeting, scheduling and coping.</p> <p>We start offering Nobody's Perfect parenting classes (1998).</p>	<p>We hold our first Strengthening Families multi-week parenting workshops (2000).</p> <p>We begin Mother Goose (2000), aimed at strengthening bonds between parents and their newborns and strengthening parenting skills.</p> <p>We start a respite funding program so parents and caregivers can get a small break from caring for their child with special needs (2007).</p>	<p>We begin the Positive Action program in the north of the Corridor to improve family dynamics and encourage healthy behaviours (2010).</p> <p>We start a Squamish program of family recreation and learning (2010).</p> <p><b>Strengthening families and parenting skills</b></p>
		<p>We begin offering a range of mental health services (1991) – and do so until 2004.</p> <p>We begin a counselling service for women in abusive relationships (1992).</p>	<p>We open a residential treatment program to support adults to recover from an addiction to alcohol or other drugs (2006).</p> <p>We begin supporting a food program in Pemberton, which at the end of the decade we make into a food bank.</p>	<p><b>Helping adults through crises and everyday challenges</b></p>

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<p><b>The beginning</b></p> <p>Formed in 1978.</p>	<p><b>Development</b></p> <p>First staff, 1980. Office in Squamish.</p>	<p><b>Growth, diversification</b></p> <p>Offices in Whistler and Pemberton.</p>	<p><b>Building on strengths</b></p> <p>3rd party accreditation secured.</p>	<p><b>Always looking to the future</b></p> <p>We pursue new opportunities.</p>