

Staff and office

- New computer to Youth and Parent/Tot
- School Based Outreach staff changes – both Jessa and Zach have stepped down from CBSS. We have hired Tina Thoma and Ayla Winston
- Colleen abruptly resigned. Hired Lauralee Vlasveld.
- Shannon Mercer, Volunteer Coordinator, has stepped down. We have yet to find someone, but Lauralee has agreed to fill in until we find someone.
- Jade Hamilton – After School, Summer Day Camp, and Preschool has stepped down. We hired Payton Kineshanko as ASP/SDC Program manager. We interviewed Thursday, Sept. 16 for Preschool and have sent an offer of employment; requesting a decision by Sept. 27.
- Amanda Derdau has stepped down as Office Manager. We have hired Christine Lishman; she will be a great addition to the team.
- Tonya Ciccone has completed her interim position as Mental Health Counsellor as of August 20th.
- Dawn has submitted her resignation, effective October 15th. She is going to be available until November if necessary. Planning for her replacement has taken place and Wendy will be meeting with Julie and P&P Monday, September 20 to present a “plan”.

Funding

- See finance notes
- United Way merger has come to fruition.
- Audit complete.

Seniors

- Continuing to provide fresh/frozen meals over the summer to the seniors in their homes. Slowly gearing up service delivery; aiming for an October “regular” Senior Drop-in. of course, COVID dependent.
- Crock Pot – COVID style very successful and well received. 8 participants
- COVID Support Group very successful with an average of 8 participants. We will start to scale back and hope to start a more general group this fall.
- In person meeting with United Way Lower Mainland funder; Jen and myself
- First sit down meal since March 2020 in August; also starting small, organized crafts

Counselling

- More and more in-person counselling taking place; still a few outside/yard visits, a few phone calls and even fewer Zoom
- Waitlist dropped (as usual) over the summer but by the beginning of September it is back up to 19
- Zach and Jenni R will be working one additional day each in Mental Health; Sharon will be taking an additional FSW day. It is hoped this will have a positive effect on the waitlist quickly. Space, however, may be an issue. Communication between the counsellors is imperative. A draft room schedule will be circulated to assist with that communication.

Programs

- Spoke with United Way Lower Mainland about Tri-shaw bikes and the Insurance “glitch” – huge increase – as well as the possibility of offering a “pilot” Dementia Day Program.
- Summer Day Camp went well at the Christian Church. 71 “campers” registered.
- Preschool Graduation event went very well. So nice to see the pride on the faces of the children, parents and staff. Jade and Breanne did an excellent job!
- One staff and one “camper” COVID positive mid-August. Closed down the program as there was only one week left and we had not received any direction (or returned calls) from Interior Health.
- Registration for Preschool going well, however we have not secured the staff.
- Received 4 car seats, diapers and wipes to distribute to those in need. One of each to Public Health Nurse; the remainder will be distributed by Kara
- Kara has started both Lumby and Cherryville Parent and tot Drop-in – in person. Limiting numbers and being extremely careful with existing protocols and cleaning.
- Receiving funding from Land to Table to be able to offer “virtual cooking classes” weekly for 22 weeks; starting beginning of October.
- Cherryville Preschool start-up September 13th.
- Parent and Tot Program has been provided one drawer for storage at the Community Hall. Previously we had ½ of the C-Can, space in the storage room and two drawers under the stage. This causes a huge problem; negotiating being able to purchase a shed to be located by the Preschool, outside enclosure.

Contracts Updates

- 3 narratives completed and submitted
- Received contract form United Way of BC for After School, Community Pride and counselling
- Received a one-time grant from the Village of Lumby for After School and counselling service
- Met with SharePoint lead to express some “concerns” about the reporting tool. Some “oddities” observed and shared. One report removed from the system as it isn’t a “fit” for what they are looking for – narratives will continue for this contract

Miscellaneous

Respectfully submitted, Wendy Gilbert and Dawn Frizzell