

SUPPORTING MENTAL WELLBEING IN SCHOOL DISTRICT #8



COMMUNITY LEARNING INCLUDES NUTRITION AND KNOWLEDGE (LINK) FUNDING

- What is LINK Funding?
 - Funding is designed to support the academic achievement and social functioning of vulnerable students
 - Programs and services can include breakfast, lunch and snack programs, academic supports, counseling, youth workers and after-school programs

COMMUNITY LINKS – 3RD PARTY CONTRACTS

	16/17 Current	17/18 Proposed
WEGCSS	\$50,000	\$50,000
Salmo Community Services	\$12,000	\$12,000
Valley Community Services	\$40,000	\$40,000
North Lake Community Services	\$20,000	\$20,000
Kootenay Art Therapy Institute	\$ 5,000	TBD
Nelson Community Services	\$10,000	TBD
Mental Health Clinicians (Elementary, Middle and Secondary)	\$70,000	\$70,000
Total	\$207,000	\$192,000

WEG COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Coordinate and integrate regional public services for vulnerable children, youth and families in the Slocan Valley
- Extend hours of service to the broader community through employment services, computer access, drug & alcohol counselling services, cultural and recreational programming
- Extend the hours of the existing art therapy program in the Slocan Valley
- Services offered in the Slocan Valley, at WE Graham Community School, Winlaw Elementary School, Brent Kennedy Elementary School, Mount Sentinel Secondary School, Sequoia Learning Centre, and WEGCSS Community Centre

NORTH KOOTENAY LAKE COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Coordinate events and workshops related to vulnerable children and youth.
- Enhance counselling services for children and youth of Crawford Bay Elem/Secondary School, J V Humphries Elem/Secondary School and Jewett Elementary School.
- Provide clinical supervision and oversight for the individuals hired to provide these services.
- Schedules are to be flexible and are to be determined through collaboration between the three schools involved and the NKLCSS.

SALMO COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Art therapy program at Salmo Elementary School.
- Therapeutic group for males at Salmo Secondary School (i.e. Walking the Path).
- Supervision and consultation for the above - mentioned programs

VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Enhance the Strengthening Families Program -- provide support for families of at risk children.
- Enhance Kids Come First – coordination of activities and supports for at risk children

KUTENAI ART THERAPY INSTITUTE

- Provides 1.5 days per week of art therapy services to Redfish School and 0.5 day per week to Rosemont School
- Services include groups and individual art therapy, parent meetings and phone calls, teacher/counsellor meetings and record keeping.

NELSON COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTRE

- Provides funding for a Youth Outreach (YO) Worker in the Nelson area
- Services are shared among all Nelson Family of Schools including REACH
- Provides outreach services, attempting to re-connect at risk youth with school or support agencies

CHILD AND YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH CLINICIAN

- Pilot started April 2015 at LVR
- Annual Community LINK funding
- Stacie-Rae Brown hired full-time as CYMH school-based MH Clinician
- Services extended to Salmo Secondary and Trafalgar
- 2017- Extensions to Mt. Sentinel and beginning at Salmo Elementary School (1 day a week each)