



UNITED WAY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA (UWNBC) -- COMMUNITY IMPACT IN KITIMAT

Community Development Investments

- In partnership with Northern Savings, United Way of Northern British Columbia employed a Transition Coordinator from February 8, 2010 until April 9, 2010 to work with the Eurocan Transition Coordinator to create and maintain a network for information sharing during the community transition occurring in both Kitimat and Terrace as a result of the closure of the Eurocan Mill.

Both Coordinators worked collaboratively with community agencies and other community stakeholders acting as a liaison between individuals and their families and resource providers. Office resources were provided by the City of Terrace, District of Kitimat and West Fraser.

Feedback from the community indicated the support provided for and by this position to be of great help with one person commenting: *"We are very grateful to United Way for your involvement in helping Kitimat and Terrace during this crisis. We also appreciate the financial support from Northern Savings Credit Union to help fund the position of Information Coordinator and for their sponsorship of the Kitimat & Terrace Community Services Guide."*

Program & Service Impact Investments - July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011

- BC Paraplegic Association - Promotes conditions within society which minimize barriers faced by persons with disabilities enabling them to live as full a life as possible within the limits of their disability. For further information call (250) 563-6942 or visit www.bcpara.org.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of the BC Paraplegic Association *for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011* in their endeavor to provide regional Peer Programming and InfoLine Services to persons with spinal cord injuries, persons with physical disabilities and their families in the North.

Stats: In 2009, 18 persons residing in the northwest region received Peer Programming and InfoLine Services, 1 of these people resided in Kitimat.

- cnib - Provides resources and services for blind and visually impaired people and their families. For further information call (250) 563-1702 or visit www.cnib.ca.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of cnib *for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011* in their endeavor to provide Rehabilitation Services to persons with vision loss and their families in the North.

Rehabilitation Services include: Orientation and Mobility, Independent Living Skills, Career and Employment and Low Vision Services.

Stats: In 2009, 91 persons residing in the northwest region received Rehabilitation Services, 15 of these people resided in Kitimat.



The United Way's planned approach is a constant cycle of effort to ensure critical needs are identified, cooperative strategies are developed, and donations are invested in a way to have the greatest impact on the community.



- Crisis Prevention, Intervention & Information Centre for Northern BC - Operates a Crisis line, youth support line and provides community education workshops and information on community resources. For further information call (250) 564-5736 or visit www.northernbccrisissuicide.ca.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of the Crisis Prevention, Intervention and Information Centre for Northern BC for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011 in their endeavor to provide Crisis and Youth Support Line services to persons in crises in the North.

Stats: In 2009, 1230 crisis calls were responded to from the northwest region, 24 of these calls were from persons in the community of Kitimat.

- Active Support Against Poverty - A self-help, volunteer based agency which acts as guides for the empowerment, education, and self-determination of the financially poor. For further information call (250) 563-6112.

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of Active Support Against Poverty for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011 in their endeavor to provide support to the financially poor in the North.

Services provided are wide ranging and can be divided into two separate streams: General and Legal. General services reflect clients accessing phone, fax, message, income tax, clothing etc.; Legal services reflect clients accessing legal services that include: information and referral, summary advice and full representation.

Stats: In 2009, 11 contacts were made by Active Support Against Poverty with persons from the northwest region, 1 of these people were from Kitimat.

- Positive Living North - Actively supports those infected and affected with HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis C; PLN also provides education and prevention information to the community at large. For further information call (250) 562-1172 or visit www.positivelivingnorth.ca

United Way of Northern British Columbia will support the work of Positive Living North for the period of July 1st 2010 to June 30th 2011 in their endeavor to provide the Member Services Support Program to persons infected and affected with HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis C in the North.

The Member Services Support Program supports a Peer Support Worker in providing informal counseling and modeling of healthy choices and lifestyles to others at risk of getting or currently living with HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis C, the ability to network locally, provincially and federally, advocate on behalf of people living with HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis C and develop and initiate Member Services programming.

Stats: In 2009, 4142 contacts were made with people residing in the northwest region through the Peer Support Worker Program, 70 of these contacts were with people from Kitimat.



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