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Community and Program

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Fort St. James - Rotary: Second Annual
Children's Festival

Fort St. James community ECE event whereby local agencies and businesses bring together families with small children for food, activities and to meet with local ECD agencies and resources. The was the second year that the Ft. St. James SB6 sponsored the event and it was again very successful in promoting ECD awareness. There was a notable increase in attendance this from the Aboriginal communities.

**Fraser Lake - Nechako Valley Home Support
Society:** Fraser Lake Toddler Park

The Fraser Lake Success By 6 community table sponsored construction of a community toddler park on school property close to StrongStart, daycare and central residential area. A toddler park did not previously exist in the community. This project was made possible through the cooperation of the school district, support of the village counsel and contributions of individuals and local businesses.

Fraser Lake - School Dist.# 91: Fraser Lake
Toddler Park

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Vanderhoof - Vanderhoof Neighbour Link:
Vanderhoof Parent Drop In

This is a program set up by Neighbourhood Link assists parents of families that are low income, at risk or needing parental support. In a casual environment parents are given instruction in skills of budgeting, parenting and social iterations. This was a successful pilot program reaching the right target group on a volunteer basis.

Quesnel - Billy Barker Days Society: Charlotte
Diamond

As part of the annual Billy Barker Days celebrations, the Quesnel Success by 6 community table was invited to sponsor a free children's concert was given that promoted early child education by encouraging parents and children to learn songs and rhymes. Local early child development programs also took active parts in the event.



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Quesnel - Quesnel Child Youth & Family

Network: Rhythms, Rhymes & Running Shoes

It was recognized by the Quesnel Success By 6 table that there was a need in the community for a parent / child interactive recreational program. To meet this need the Rhythms, Rhymes & Running Shoes program will run throughout the year and offer Quesnel parents with pre-school children an opportunity to take in a social and recreational program offered in the evenings at various elementary schools.

Quesnel - Mother Goose Society BC: Mother Goose Facilitator Training

The Quesnel Success By 6 table saw a need to offer Mother Goose programs but recognized that there no trained facilitators for the program. A Mother Goose Facilitator training program was set up for the residents of Quesnel and surrounding communities. There were so many applications to the program that two sessions had to be run at capacity attendance.

Burns Lake - Lakes District Stationary & Gifts Burns Lake Children Festival

The Burns Lake Success By 6 table arranged to run its first Children Festival as part of the Burns Lake annual rodeo. This funding was part of a significant amount of money and in-kind donations that provided the advertising materials, decorations, prizes and other materials for the first Burns Lake Children's Festival. Festival was manned by representatives of the local ECD agencies and services and provided a fun opportunity for the public to learn about importance of early child development.

Burns Lake - Vander: Burns Lake Children Festival

Laughing Loon Productions is a local musical group provided entertainment for the children and parents at the Children's festival. They used music, rhymes and stories that were fun and educational.

Mackenzie - Mackenzie Leisure Services: Jim Raddysh

This project addresses a need seen in the local community to bring in a well known children entertainer that usually families in isolated communities would not personally see and be able to interact with. This is a free cushion concert for families that promotes literacy and music that is sponsored by the village counsel and the local success By 6 table.



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Burns Lake - St. Paul's United Church: Kinnet Park

Promoted by Burns Lake Success By 6 table and sponsored by the local United Church. This project is to renovate an old centrally located Burns Lake park into an area more usable to the public with toddler and children by installing new playground equipment and doing extensive landscaping which includes wheelchair access. The Success By 6 money has been used as part of a fund raising campaign that has raised over one hundred thousand dollars and the park is scheduled to be finished in the early part of 2010.

Burns Lake - School Dist.# 91: Burns Lake WOW bus

Success By 6 has been encouraging and supporting School District # 91 and the communities it serves to look at the Words on Wheels (WOW Bus) as a proven effective way of improving education and other services in the large rural areas. The Burns Lake WOW Bus will be the first in the District and already has notable financial support from individuals and local business. The Burns Lake Success By 6 table has given this funding to the project for books and software and materials for pre-school and kindergarten children that will be on the WOW bus. The WOW bus will circulate around Burns Lake and the surrounding smaller communities.

Mackenzie - Mackenzie Leisure Services: Tot Swim Program

Being a community surrounded by water areas early ability to swim is seen as important. With the current community economics most parents can not afford swimming lessons for their children. This program will provide basic swimming lessons to families with pre-school children who are economically challenged. The program will run throughout the year and will include swim times, snacks and reading times. The lesson times will be alternated so parents can bring their children during the day or evenings

Mackenzie - Mackenzie Counselling Services: Contingency Fund for Medications

This idea of this program is to provide non-prescription medications to pre-school children of economically challenged families and thereby reduce sick times and possible serious side-effects. Local agencies will give the families chits that they can redeem at stores or the pharmacy. The Success By 6 funding is to set up the program and purchase the initial medications. It is hoped that this program will be sustained by companies supplying samples and free non-prescription medications.



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Mackenzie - Mackenzie Community Arts Counsel: Parent and Tot Art

The Mackenzie Success by 6 table saw that parents/ caregivers are usually challenged in encouraging children in the arts. In cooperation with the local arts counsel, a program is being developed where tots with their parents will be encouraged to try various art forms in a regularly scheduled class given throughout the year. Sessions will also include story time, rhymes and snacks. Sessions are free to families with pre-school children.

Mackenzie - Mackenzie Leisure Services: Mackenzie Children's Fair

A one day event that brings parents with pre-school children to a community event with activities for the children while parents meet and learn about local agencies and services available to them. In addition to food there will be giveaways and transportation assistance for those families that need it.

Mackenzie - Mackenzie Leisure Services: Families Grow II

The second annual fun day for low income families with pre-school children swimming, bouncy toys, crafts, snacks. Some transportation provided for families in need. The Mackenzie Success By 6 table sees this fun day as important to the community in tough economic times to draw parents together for support and to bring the children together for social interaction.

Valemount - Columbis Basin Alliance for Literacy (CSAL): Mother Goose

The Robson/ Canoe Valleys Success by 6 table is providing this support to encourage the running Mother Goose programs for parents and pre-school children in the communities of McBride and Valemount. The programs are a cooperative community action involving financial and in-kind support from CBAL, Robson Valley Home Support Society and the Valemount Lions Club.

Valemount - Valemount Lions Club : Baby Change Tables

The Robson/Canoe Valleys Success By 6 table project is to install baby change tables in the Valemount Lions Club Hall which is used for a variety of family functions by the Valemount community. It is hoped that this project will encourage other public gathering areas to look at means of being more child friendly.



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Prince George - PG Seventh Day Adventist Church: My Very Own Bag of Love

This is a program involving several churches involve creating bags of things that comfort children that taken into care by MCFD. The Success By 6 funding being provided will provide temporal books and educational toys to be included the bags for pre-school age children.

Prince George - Harwin Elementary School: Adrienne Gear Literacy Kindergarten & Grade 1

There are areas within Prince George where children entering school are seen to have a high level of literacy issues. This project will allow an inner city school to provide a literacy comprehension program in its Kindergarten and grade 1 classes that it otherwise wouldn't have the budget to do.

Prince George - Pinewood Elementary School: Learning Team for Kindergarten & Grade 1

This funding will allow the school to buy books and other resources for a Kindergarten and grade one literacy program that their school did not have a budget for.

Vanderhoof - School Dist.# 57: Welcome to Kindergarten

School District # 57 has a general program that encourages children as they enter Kindergarten, This will allow the school district to provide bags of books and materials to children entering Kindergarten at schools that do not have budgets that will allow their involvement in this district wide program.

Vanderhoof - Fiona Laprecht: Community ECD Update

Vanderhoof ECD Plan Update. This project is to update the five year old community ECD plan to include community changes and to include the Aboriginal community of neighbouring reserve. This project began in January and will conclude by next Spring.

Vanderhoof - College of New Caledonia: Vanderhoof Branch of CNC

ECE training for three Vanderhoof residents to resolve problem of not having enough trained ECE workers available in the community to man local child care programs



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Prince George - College of New Caldeonia,
Prince George: Sandra Wyland Workshop

The Vanderhoof Success By 6 table has identified that local ECD workers have limited access to training locally and the cost of taking training in Prince George is often a deterrent. This funding will pay for the workshop registration cost for 11 local ECD workers to take training which is seen as important to the services they provide .

Vanderhoof - Vanderhoof District Office:
Community Spray Park

Vanderhoof Success By 6 table is supporting the Vanderhoof District Council in refurbishing an existing community spray park that is very old and becoming dangerous. A new spray park is being envisioned that will be more toddler friendly. Funding provided is to being used as seed money to encourage more financial support to reach a goal of over \$100,000.00

Quesnel - Quesnel Child Youth & Family
Network: Early Child Development Class

Through the College of New Caledonia, Quesnel Branch, a free ECE course will be offered to those engaged in ECE work or wanting to enter child care services who wish to upgrade their training. This project addresses a shortage of ECE trained people in the community.

Quesnel - Quesnel Child Youth & Family
Network: Books for Babies

The Quesnel Success By 6 table in collaboration with a local literacy group that provides bags of books educational toys, information for parents and items provided by the community for newborn children. This funding provides the books, educational toys and bags.

Quesnel - Quesnel Child Youth & Family
Network: Parent Information

The Parent Information Series will be several parenting courses that will be offered free of charge to Quesnel parents through various Quesnel ECD agencies. This funding will support the hosting, facilities, and advertising of the courses.

Robson Valley Home Support Society: RVHS
Children's Programs Materials and Resources

Funding is provided to support programs that are given free to parents and pre-school children by providing materials and resources that the Society sponsoring the programs normally could not afford.



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**Valemount - Valemount Children's Activity
Society: VCAS Staff ECD Training**

This funding allocation allows the Society to arrange for some of its staff to take ECE training via an internet college training program. Training for staff is required by licensing to keep community child care program running.

**Robson Valley Home Support Society:
Stepping Stones Staff ECD Training II**

To address increased demands for staff training, this funding will allow the Society to train additional staff for ECE training requirements via an internet college training program that is required by licensing to keep the child care program running.
