

Hello Valued Partners!

As many of you already know, Mackenzie Community Services has had a new program launch, Spectrum Supports! I am so excited to be a part of creating exciting and meaningful programming for families living with Autism, Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder and Complex Behaviors. In its infancy, Spectrum Supports identified that it must prioritize Education and Community Building. Many of us can attest to how complex needs can leave families, at times, feeling isolated, overwhelmed and without 'play' in their lives.

Social Sundays is a family focused Social Group that offers caregivers an opportunity to connect with their children while doing activities with the assistance of support staff, as well as build community with other families with lived experience. The value of this cannot be understated; families foster's environments of growth, comradery and build opportunity to learn from each other's wisdom. The Spectrum Support Program hopes to provide opportunities like Sensory and Neurodiverse Aware Skating, Swimming, Beach Days, Picnic in the Park, Guided Trail walks, Father, Mother and Grandparent Day activities... and maybe even a trip to Prince George Museum.

Mackenzie Grant Season has officially kicked off and it is time to request from our community 'Letters of support'. I will be applying with McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest for Funds in order to support the Social Sunday Activities. If you believe this project aligns with your values, we would appreciate if you could provide us with a Letter of Support by February 27th in order for us to meet our deadline.

Thank you for your continued support and trust in our programs, and I look forward to speaking to you all with updates!

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