

Email Address List

If you need to contact any of the following people, email is a great tool you can use:

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Important Phone Numbers

If you are calling because you attend the Activity Service or are calling on behalf of an individual who attends the Activity Service, the phone numbers you must call are 250-763-4484 or 778-484-4490.

If you leave a message at another Pathways' number, your call may not be answered.
Thank you!



Cookbooks for Sale

A commemorative Pathways cookbook is for sale. Please consider purchasing this \$10.00 keepsake. Please contact the office at 123 Franklyn Road to purchase.



Pathways Hot Lunch Schedule

*Lunches are \$3.00/person
January 15th, 2016 - Chili & Cornbread
January 29, 2016 - Perogies & Sausage

Pathways Abilities Society



JANUARY 2016 UPDATE

Pathways Policies and Procedures

Pathways always wants to ensure our policies and procedures are relevant and in "plain language" where ever possible! Our policies and procedures are available on our website and manuals at all our locations. If you have any suggested changes or additions please contact the area supervisor or email Charisse at ed@pathwayskelowna.ca. We appreciate your feedback, opinions and input!

Pathways Closures

Summer: August 2-12, 2016,
Christmas December 26 to 30, 2016
In-services: February 26, 2016 and October 24, 2016.

Reminder to please let staff know if an individual will be taking a vacation or will be away from services. Please call 250-763-4484, thank you!

Pathways is looking for donated stackable office chairs and or desk chairs that are adjustable in height. The chairs must have plastic or vinyl seating. Thank you in advance.



*Happy
New
Year!*

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

From the Canadian Association for Community Living and The Council of Canadians with Disabilities.

Toronto and Winnipeg: February 6, 2015 - Today's decision of the Supreme Court fundamentally alters end-of-life for all Canadians. The Council of Canadians with Disabilities (CCD) and the Canadian Association for Community Living (CACL) are profoundly disappointed by today's ruling and extremely concerned about the implications of the ruling.

An immensely important discussion must now begin with Canadians and politicians at all levels, with civil society, health professions and the legal community. We start from the premise that the lives of Canadians with disabilities are worthy of the utmost respect. Such respect, regrettably, cannot be taken for granted.

To begin this critical discussion, we offer the following questions, reflections and commitments:

As we each near the end of our lives, at the time when we are likely to be most vulnerable to despair and fear, we have now lost the protection of the Criminal Code. Where shall we now find that protection? CCD and CACL caution that our collective response to this question must go far beyond the technical exercise of so-called "safeguards".

In the final stages of a terminal illness, at the time when grief and fear may be most powerfully present in our lives, Canadians must now decide for themselves whether life is worth living. Among them are the most vulnerable Canadians, those who are dependent on others, and who are relegated to the margins of social and economic participation. We must not allow them to be diminished again in the coming discussions about their own end of life options.

At the time when our physical powers fail us, every Canadian will now be obliged to calculate how much love and support is too much to ask of others. How shall we ensure that the needs of the dying are not by default secondary to the well-being of the living?

As we contemplate the changes about to unfold in the wake of this decision, our elected officials must take notice of the pressing questions that are of urgent concern to Canadians with disabilities. To what extent do conditions of poverty, exclusion and lack of support actually restrict autonomy, and erode the human will to live among dependent Canadians? Will our governments stand firm in maintaining and expanding home care services and supports for community/independent living? Will our national commitment to suicide prevention extend to persons with disabilities and degenerative conditions? Most critically, will access to palliative care become a universally available health care service to provide needed support and choice at the end of life?

What happens now? In the days ahead, members of CCD and CACL will review the judgment in detail, seeking to grasp its full implication and to comprehend the Court's dramatic departure from a legal precedent established 22 years ago in *Rodriguez v British Columbia*. And in the months and years to come, we will redouble our efforts to secure conditions of equal respect and robust citizenship for all Canadians with disabilities. The stakes are higher now than ever before.

Debate leading up to this legal decision has too often been polarized and divisive. CCD and CACL know that Canadians wish to be compassionate. CCD and CACL are resolved to work creatively and in good faith to build solidarity among justice seeking communities as we embark upon the journey invoked by today's Court's ruling.

There are difficult days ahead. The Canadian disability movement remains united in our claim that the lives of people with disabilities matter. We speak with one voice in our condemnation of all forms of discrimination and abuse. We affirm together our entitlement to live good lives in places and conditions of our choosing. Consistent with our long history of fearless and principled advocacy, we now join with fellow citizens across the full spectrum of views on end-of-life in an urgent call for universal, unencumbered access to the highest possible standard of palliative care in Canada.

In the dialogue to come, we urge respect, openness and assurance that Canadians with disabilities and our representative organizations can fully participate, in full confidence that our experience, voices and knowledge are valued. We seek wise decisions guided by the values of diversity and inclusion that define us and underpin our Canadian society.

St. Paul - Relocation - IMPORTANT!

Pathways Senior's Services which was located on St. Paul has now moved to 123 Franklyn Rd. If you are calling because you attend the Seniors' Activity Service or are calling on behalf of an individual who attends the Senior's Activity Service, the phone numbers you must call are 250-763-4484 or 778-484-4490.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A HOME SHARE OR RESPITE PROVIDER?

Being a Home Share or Respite Provider is a rewarding way of supporting an individual with a diverse-ability in your home. The following is what is required to become a Provider:

- Satisfactory criminal record checks for all adults in home
- Current First Aid/CPR certification
- Current Food Safe certification
- Valid driver's license and satisfactory driver's abstract
- Physician's Certification of good Physical and Mental Health
- Previous experience supporting individuals with diverse-abilities
- Satisfactory background check and references
- Satisfactory home study, health and safety check and interview
- Mandt Training (provided by Pathways)

Home Share Providers are required to have computer access and computer literacy and will receive training on Pathway's ShareVision program.

If you would like more information or would like to apply, please contact Karen Waldal, Home Share Manager, at hsm@pathwayskelowna.ca or by calling 250-763-4837.