



Kinsight Connections

Kinsight Family & Friends Newsletter - Fall 2025

Kinsight Welcomes Korean Delegation to Exchange Inclusive Childcare Practices



Kinsight welcomed a delegation of 40 Korean daycare and inclusive childcare leaders to The Springs in September. The visit featured a presentation and discussion led by our Supported Child Development (SCD) team on Kinsight's work in inclusive early childcare and preschool settings. Local Korean-speaking families supported by SCD and community partners also shared their stories and perspectives.

The event was a valuable opportunity to exchange knowledge and practices, as well as highlight the impact of family-centred, community-based approaches in BC. We look forward to future international collaborations and to sharing ideas and innovations in early childcare practices.

Join us January 24 & 31 for Now & Next

We are excited to announce the return of **Now & Next** in January.

Now and Next is an evidence-based,

internationally recognised program designed to help you create a vision and plan for yourself, your child, and your family.

We know your time and energy are precious. In just two free sessions, you'll walk away with:

- Clarity and confidence in setting goals for yourself, your child and your family
- A practical toolkit to help you make the most of services, even when funding is limited
- Strategies for partnering with professionals and other supports
- Renewed energy and hope for what's ahead



Who: Parents and caregivers of children with extra support needs up to 8 years old
When: Saturday, January 24th and 31st from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm (lunch provided)
Where: The Tri-Cities Children's Centre, at The Springs in Port Moody

Watch [this video](#) to find out more about Now & Next.

[Register Now](#)

Turning Hope into Action

This fall, 20 parents joined us for the launch of Now & Next Parent Quest, designed for parents of youth and young adults. An adaptation of the successful Now & Next program, Parent Quest guides participants to harness their personal strengths, set clear goals, and coach one another toward achieving them. [Read more.](#)

Now Accepting Applications: Canada-BC Housing Benefit

Community Living BC (CLBC) is accepting applications for benefits available for 50 individuals who are eligible for CLBC services and who live in private market rentals. The **Canada-BC Housing Benefit** is funded by the federal government's Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) through BC Housing.

CLBC will select applicants based on their level of need and when their application is submitted. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible.

To find out more and check eligibility, click the button below.

[Read More](#)

We Want to Hear from You: Spirituality Survey

We are collaborating on a study to explore how spirituality might contribute to the well-being of persons with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

If you are a family member of a person with intellectual or developmental disabilities of any age in BC, please share your observations and experiences with us.

Help us learn more. Please share your perspective – whether spiritual, religious, or secular. Your insight is valuable, no matter how strongly you feel (or don't feel) about the topic.

Click the button below to take the 10-minute, anonymous survey.

DOES SPIRITUALITY MATTER? YES? NO? MAYBE?

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Survey closes January 10, 2026

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Let's talk about the
role of spirituality in
agency services

*Family members include: Parents, siblings, aunts and uncles in close relationships, godparents, etc.

Any questions?
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Survey Information

Kinsight Applauds Ryan Tones for Well-Deserved Business Award



On November 5th, Ryan Tones of Kiewit was recognized at the *Business In Vancouver 2025 C-Suite awards*.

The annual C-Suite awards program celebrated six leaders who have demonstrated exceptional vision, support for other businesses, and a commitment to strengthening BC communities.

Kinsight knows first-hand the impact Ryan Tones and Kiewit has on our community. Kiewit and the Tones family are long-time supporters of Kinsight and founding donors of the Tri-Cities Children's Centre.

"It was an honour to join Kiewit at the awards luncheon and to celebrate Ryan's generosity and leadership," explains Christine Scott, Kinsight CEO. "We are grateful for Kiewit's support and their ongoing dedication to making a difference in our community."

How Do You Celebrate the Holidays?

We posed this question at *HollyDaze in the Heights* on November 15th. More than 400 visitors stopped by Kinsight's booth at the event to share their traditions and add an ornament to our tree.

HollyDaze is an outdoor family festival organized by the Austin Heights Business Improvement Association.

Here are just a few of the wonderful holiday activities people shared:

"Spending time with friends and family."

"Singing carols and finding our tree."

"Celebrating the people I love."

Click here to watch a short video on our time at HollyDaze.

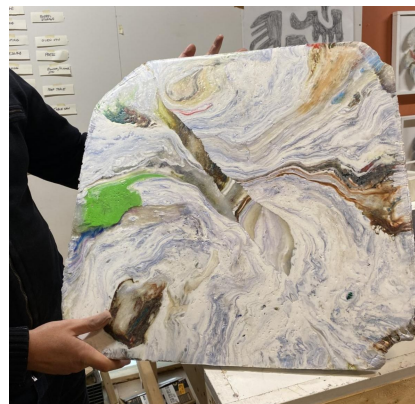


Disability Employment Awareness Month

October was Disability Employment Awareness Month in Canada. At Kinsight, we celebrate the power of inclusive employment and the contributions of individuals of all abilities. Our L.I.F.E. (Learning, Inclusion, Friendship, and Employment) and Employment Services teams support meaningful employment opportunities for the participants and employers we work with.

Participants have successfully gained employment across a wide range of industries – from manufacturing and retail to food services and warehousing.

One standout example comes from a local employer **PECO Fab** – a company that turns plastic waste into art. PECO Fab hired Kinsight participants to complete a highly detailed plastics sorting project. Thanks to their precision, millions of pieces of plastic that would otherwise end up in landfills are now being repurposed into beautiful works of art across B.C.



Above: The first plastic slab Kinsight participants created at PECO Fab. Each slab is cut into works of art.

Help Us Strengthen the Welcoming Experience

We're launching a brief survey to gather feedback from individuals, families, and support networks about their first experiences with Kinsight, from initial contact to getting involved with our services.

Your insights will help us:

- Ensure people feel welcomed, respected, and informed from the very beginning
- Improve how we communicate expectations, timelines, and next steps
- Make our materials more accessible, inclusive, and culturally safe
- Strengthen our person- and family-centered approach to services

A strong beginning sets the tone for a meaningful journey. We would appreciate your insights. Watch for the survey link in December.

You are receiving this quarterly newsletter because you/your family has participated in or supported Kinsight in the past.

We respectfully acknowledge that the work of Kinsight is carried out on the Coast Salish ancestral traditional and unceded territories of the k^wik^wə́łəm (Kwikwetlem), sə́lilwə́tał (Tseil-Waututh), x^wməθk^wə́yəm (Musqueam), Sḵw̓xwú7mesh (Squamish), q̓icə́y (Katzie), q^wa:ń́ ʔ'əń́ (Kwantlen), qiqéyt (Qayqayt), and Stó:lō (Sto:lo) Peoples.



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