

Impact Report | 2022 2023



MISSION

The mission of Easter Seals BC/Yukon is to inspire communities across British Columbia and the Yukon to support, and enable access for, individuals with disabilities.

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The vision of Easter Seals BC/Yukon is simple: to enable abilities in our communities.

Who We Are

Approximately one in five or 22 per cent of Canadians aged 15 years and over has one or more disabilities. In British Columbia and the Yukon, approximately 750,000 adults and 26,000 children have a disability that limits their independence and quality of life.

Operated by the BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities, Easter Seals BC/Yukon is one of British Columbia's legacy charities. We have been operating for 75 years, providing programs and services to better the lives of children and adults with diverse abilities.

We have helped over one million families in need through transportation services, camps, educational classes, Easter Seals House, post-secondary bursaries, community access services, and patient care programs.

As a registered charity, we rely on the generosity of donors to fund our programs and services. Through individual and corporate giving, grants, special events, and major gifts and bequests, we direct and steward funds with the strategic guidance and fiduciary oversight from our Board of Directors.



A Message From Our CEO and Chair

Looking back at 2022–23, the words *activity* and *growth* come to mind for Easter Seals BC/Yukon, as do *innovation* and *support*.

Now in the second year of our three-year strategic plan, we are beginning to see some outcomes and forward movement, coming out of COVID. While we encountered a few challenges this year, our team held strong and forged ahead with the sole purpose of serving the disability community in a more meaningful and comprehensive way.

Everyone from our senior leadership team to our house staff to our Board of Directors came together this past year to create forward momentum and maximize impact. We grew our staff with some key additions in the fundraising and marketing department as well as human resources, both of which have already made significant, positive changes to the organisation—changes that will allow us to deliver our mission more effectively in the months and years to come.

We also accomplished some inspired and progressive work in programs and services, expanding programming to include job training for youth and young adults with disabilities. This year, we partnered with the hotel industry to run our CompassWorks program, a new on-the-job work experience program that gives certification to obtain entry-level employment in the hotel industry. This is just the

beginning, as we continue to meet real needs and fill real gaps in our communities.

Speaking of filling gaps, we were busy this year upgrading some of our camp facilities, including installing a new septic system at Camp Shawnigan and refurbishing our pool at Camp Squamish. Both projects were instrumental in allowing us to run full camps this year, as was the monumental efforts of our Camp Improvement Committees, which are run by the Lions Clubs. Camps play a vital role in our mission and make an enormous impact in the lives of those who attend—and their families—so we would personally like to thank this incredible group of volunteers for their efforts.

While there was a lot of progress this year, we continue to face several challenges. The disability community is growing, and needs are becoming more complex, but resources are not keeping pace. Over 20 per cent of British Columbians aged 15–64 live with a disability. As a result, we're facing growing waitlists for our programs and services, and are finding it hard to keep pace with demand.

Funding continues to be the number one challenge for our organisation. British Columbians are facing tough economic times, and we continue to experience funding cuts from organisations across the province; funding that is essential to our program and service delivery. Additionally, competition from other organisations has never been higher, not only for donors, but for employees and leadership volunteers. But we are not fazed.

While we realize that we have our work cut out for us, we feel we're prepared to meet these challenges head-on. We're building relationships at all levels of government, including the Premier's office, recruiting top-level leadership volunteers for our Board of Directors, and launching innovative projects such as the Camp Shawnigan Rebuild, which will allow us to redefine accessibility and inclusivity for those living with a disability.

Overall, we're confident that we're heading into a year where we can maximize our impact in the disability community... and we have you to thank. As donors and supporters, thank you for putting your trust in us. Your ongoing support is what allowed us to make the progress and

effect change in the lives of people living with a disability this past year. For that, we want to say a heartfelt **thank you**.

With your continued and generous support, we believe the coming year will be one of our best, allowing us to meet real needs in real-time, and address the challenges facing those living with visible and invisible disabilities. Together, we're making our communities more accessible, inclusive, and equitable places to live, work, and play for **all** British Columbians.










Lisa Beck President & CEO
Easter Seals BC/Yukon



John Davies Chair
Community Board Member, Sooke

Thank You For Your Support

Because of your generous and ongoing support, we made a significant impact in communities across the province. From Victoria to the Lower Mainland, through to the Okanagan and beyond, your donations had a direct impact on the lives of persons living with disabilities while also supporting their families. Thank you.

16,011		Total guest stays at Easter Seals House
98%		Occupancy rate at Easter Seals House
170		Communities served by Easter Seals House
649		Registered campers for summer programs
162		Number of people attended family camps
192		Hours of online classes for children and adults
7		Scholarship opportunities



The Disability Community in British Columbia And The Challenges They Face

The journey towards accessibility and inclusivity for people with visible and invisible disabilities is marked by barriers that extend beyond physical limitations. In BC there are three predominant obstacles individuals face: attitudinal barriers, physical barriers, and communication difficulties.

The primary challenge for individuals with disabilities is the deeply ingrained attitudinal barriers that persist in our society. These are rooted in stereotypes, misconceptions, and a lack of understanding. Society is getting much better today through education and advocacy work, but there is still a lot of work to be done in this space.

Physical barriers pose another monumental challenge for the disability community, especially when it comes to accessible infrastructure and transportation systems. These are critical elements in society that need to be addressed as they restrict mobility and independence for people with disabilities.

And last—but certainly not least—among the top challenges faced by the disability community are communication barriers. They pose challenges to access of information, education, and employment for people with disabilities.

Compounding the problem is the fact that more than 70 per cent of people living with a disability report living with more than one, which means they likely face two of the three challenges above, if not all three.

At Easter Seals, we work tirelessly to meet the needs of the disability community and effect real change. The support of our donors has allowed us to address some of the challenges above, but we need to do more to create practical solutions that remove barriers and create a world where everyone can participate and thrive, regardless of ability.

Collectively, we can make a difference.



“If we plan for the needs of the future through support for inclusive education and universal design, we’ll ensure that future generations grow up with a mindset of acceptance.”

Marco Pasqua, Board of Directors





DID YOU KNOW...

Camp provides family members with much-needed respite care.

Easter Seals Camp

It's Not What You Think

Since we opened our first camp location in 1968, we have been dedicated to maintaining a place where everyone is welcome. We currently run three camps across the province, but they're not what you think.

Yes, there are bonfires and skit nights, pancake breakfasts and canoeing, but our camps are designed specifically for children, teens, and adults between the ages of 6–49 years who live with cognitive and physical disabilities.

Our campers come to us with a range of disabilities including autism, Down syndrome, developmental delay, cerebral palsy, anxiety disorder, and epilepsy. And while fun and outdoor activity are front and centre, Easter Seals Camp serves a different purpose than others.

Camp is designed to be inclusive with a focus on developing each individual's social and learning style. It's proven that people benefit emotionally and physically when they are outdoors and getting physical activity; however, persons with

disabilities can't always take part in sports, team activities or gym class, which is why our camps are vital and necessary.

Our programs are structured to ensure safety as much as enjoyment, but our focus is personal growth and development. Our staff provide nurturing care that promotes development in life skills, self-confidence, and independence.

We provide a high staff-to-camper ratio with leaders who are highly trained to encourage and develop the needs of individuals with a full range of physical and cognitive disabilities; this includes developing inclusive and accessible programs in which everyone can take part.

The outcome of all this is that our camps allow participants to be themselves, and explore and develop their abilities. Campers return home with new friendships, improved life skills, and they are more independent and become more active members in their communities.

Your Donations at Work

Meet Daniel

He's 24 years old, has Down syndrome and has been using Easter Seals programs since he was 11. He is one of the most amazing young men you will ever meet. From the second he says 'hi' to you, you're drawn into his world... and it's something to experience.

Daniel lives on Bowen Island with his parents Karen and Doug. He's genuine and funny and loves to sing and dance. His counselors love him, and they'll tell you their favourite thing is his pride in his achievements over the years.

Living on the Island created a sense of isolation for Daniel when his friends moved away. He began to look forward with excitement to camp each year. He would catch up with his friends and revel in a sense of belonging and community that makes a huge difference in his life.

"Easter Seals has given Daniel a sense of purpose and it has helped him mature," says Karen. "He can now talk to people a lot easier, and his ability to socialize has helped him overcome his sense of isolation."

Last year, Daniel joined us for his first year of the Leadership in Training Program, which helps our campers gain confidence in making decisions and gives them a strong sense of independence. Daniel thrived in the program, and he'll be back again next year with the goal of becoming a camp counselor.


As a direct result of his time at camp, Daniel was able to get a job at his local restaurant. His boss raves about his personality and ability to make everyone feel welcome and at home. He sums up Daniel's outlook and approach to life perfectly with the following, "...it doesn't matter what a person's disability is, it's what their abilities are."

Karen says his time with Easter Seals has been a wonderfully fulfilling experience for their whole family. "The Easter Seals programs allow us to participate and are magical experiences every time, not just for Daniel, but for us. And we always feel completely reassured and confident in the care and attention we know he receives when attending programs, which puts our anxious minds at rest. We would highly recommend the Easter Seals programs to anyone who is thinking about participating. They teach and practice inclusion—that is the name of the game. Along the way, we all make new friends, gain experience, and come away with memories that will last a lifetime!"

As a donor, you help make experiences like Daniel's possible. Your support has made a real difference in his life and we want to thank you for giving Karen, Doug, and Daniel the uplifting experiences they deserve.

Scan this QR code
or [click here](#) to
watch Daniel's video





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Karen, Daniel's mom



DID YOU KNOW...

Families can stay in safety and comfort at Easter Seals House for roughly \$100 per night.



A Home Away From Home Easter Seals House

Established in 1985, Easter Seals House is located in central Vancouver near 25th and Oak. The House is a comfortable, secure, and warm place for families to stay when traveling to Vancouver for medical treatment and appointments. It also serves as a place of respite for parents and caregivers of persons with disabilities.

The House has 49 self-contained suites with kitchens, laundry, underground parking, and other amenities, in a hotel-like setting. It is conveniently close to hospitals and medical treatment facilities, making it easy for guests and caregivers to travel to and from. The House is a quiet, safe, and affordable space that helps relieve families of the stress and financial burden of finding somewhere to stay in an expensive and unfamiliar city.

For so many adults and families, knowing Easter Seals House is here gives them a sense of peace and security. Aside from our guests in the Lower Mainland and Fraser Valley we get people staying from all areas of the province including the Interior, Northern BC and Vancouver Island, with a small portion from the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Since opening, we've hit the one million mark, which includes repeat clients. And because of our donors and supporters, last year the House operated at a 98 per cent occupancy rate, which means we/you helped a lot of deserving individuals and families.

Funding is critical to keep the House operating year-round. Like many of Easter Seals programs and services, we rely on the generosity of our donors, supporters and community partners in business and government to ensure we can continue to meet the needs in the community, which continue to grow year after year.

Your Donations at Work

Meet the Team

Meet Ann, she's the heart and soul of Easter Seals House and has been for the past 30 years. Part of the Easter Seals family since she was in her twenties, Ann started her career at the front desk where she was the organisation's director of first impressions—so-to-speak.

Ann's ability to make guests feel warm and welcome when they walked through the door set the tone for the organisation for the past three decades. Now, as the Director of Operations, she's responsible for a portfolio that includes operations, building maintenance, bookings, hospitality and more.

She is loved and respected by her staff and peers, and anyone who meets her. Upon meeting Ann, you realize very quickly the commitment and passion she brings to the job every day.

"It's important to me that people are comfortable," she says. "It's why we're here—to serve and to bring solace to individuals and families who are dealing with some very tough circumstances. If I can bring relief to them for even one day, then I feel like I/we have done our job."

Each member of her team embodies this same philosophy. They show up supportive and welcoming every single day with a shared mission to help make peoples' lives easier during trying times.

She's proud to offer a service that fills a real gap in our society. "Hotel prices in the city are out of reach for the average family and I'm proud that we can offer this much-needed service. I can't imagine being a parent with a sick child and not being close to them," she says.

When asked what keeps her coming back every day, Ann's answer was simple: "My team and the people. Their stories are so inspiring, and I have memories for life because of my work here. People are always coming back and bringing me and the team baking and gifts or just sitting for coffee and catching up... it really makes it all worthwhile."

While Ann loves the work she does, she'll be the first to tell you, "We are nothing without the generosity of our donors and others who support us. Without them, I am not here, my team is not here and none of this happens."

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Ann Fonseca
Director, Easter Seals House



Programs & Client Services

Preparing for The Future

The transition to adulthood can be challenging for any young person, but for those living with a disability, the transition can be daunting. Many youth living with a disability experience limited access to educational resources, social isolation, financial challenges, and in some cases, lack of support from family.

The reality is that individuals with disabilities have talents and abilities that contribute to society in meaningful ways; however, most run into significant barriers when it comes to finding work.

Stigmas about the abilities and skills/talents of someone with a disability can be crushing and they prevent many individuals from even trying. That is unacceptable today and we must strive for true inclusivity. When we do, we all benefit.

At Easter Seals, we recognise this and as a result set out to establish programming and services focused on education, health, vocational skills, and wellness to help enhance and better the lives of persons with disabilities between the ages of 17–27 years.

COMPASS

Compass is a three-month, part-time program that is offered both online and in-person at the Easter Seals House. Participants learn to budget, source housing, navigate employment and school, and basic housekeeping skills like cooking and cleaning. These skills—along with developing goals and action plans—increase their ability to function more fully in the home, workplace, and community.

COMPASSWORKS

A full-time, 22-week, on-the-job work experience program at Easter Seals House, this program provides training and certification to help adults with disabilities obtain entry-level employment in the hotel industry. CompassWorks is only offered in-person as participants learn hands-on, job-specific skills related to housekeeping, front desk reception, and guest services with the support of a job coach, certifications in food safety, hosting and computer skills, with follow-up support with job searches.

READY. SET. VOLUNTEER.

This program is a summer day camp for youth and young adults in Vancouver offered at Easter Seals House with local community partners. It focuses on volunteering, connection, learning, and fun. Each week, participants have a supportive learning experience with an organisation that develops new connections and gives young adults a better understanding of their own needs and interests in looking for volunteer roles in which to engage.

Your Donations at Work

Meet Jacob

Jacob is an affable young man with a keen sense of humour. He's a kind and caring young man who has a variety of interests, including attending concerts and political debates; he loves trains and buses; and he loves new experiences.

Jacob has disabilities, specifically Autism, with a learning disability. He also has a visual impairment—he's legally blind. These disabilities create barriers in his life, including employment, which sadly is a common story. "Life and employment skills are a necessity for his independence," mom Marilyn told us. "But finding a program for someone with multiple barriers can be extra challenging."


One day, she came across the CompassWorks program at Easter Seals House. The program offers 22 weeks of hands-on paid work experience at Easter Seals House, training young adults to work in the hospitality industry. After informing Jacob about it, he was interested in applying for a seat. He met with the Easter Seals staff, and he felt accepted, so he decided to enroll. Jacob was immediately supported by both staff and

classmates, making this a very positive experience for him. "He realized how much he enjoys hospitality because it matches his big personality and he loves providing a service to others," his mom told us.

While in the program, Jacob learned employment skills such as computer applications, résumé building, interview preparation, understanding compensation, and front desk operations. He also learned softer skills such as bed making and self-advocacy. "Some of the most important outcomes for my son were his increased self-confidence, a sense of purpose and a feeling of belonging," said Marilyn. "The program was an inclusive, safe and reliable place that put the person ahead of the disability."

For both Marilyn and Jacob, the encouragement and support were not only instrumental in his success, but his happiness. Since completing the program, Jacob found he has a passion for hospitality—especially the front desk duties. "It was an amazing experience. A big thank you to the staff for their acceptance, patience and for always encouraging Jacob in every way."





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| Marilyn, Jacob's mom



In The Community

This year we put greater emphasis on growing our Annual Giving Program, as it provides us with vital funds for our programs and services. Our goal was to reduce expenses, provide more value to our sponsors and participants, and build stronger relationships. The team pulled together a great plan this year and as a result we saw some great results. Here are just some of the events and activities we were a part of this past year.

- ◀ The 18th Annual **Drop Zone Challenge** saw over 200 rappelling superheroes, 15 corporate sponsors, 50 volunteers, and a dedicated planning team all coming together to raise over \$300,000 in five communities across the province—Victoria, Vancouver, Burnaby, Surrey, and Kelowna—making 2023 our best year yet.

July marked the 37th Annual **ZLC Foundation Charity Golf Tournament**. Although this was the last year of our partnership, we are eternally grateful to the team for raising more than \$230,000 over three years. ▶

The **Vernon Lions Club Golf Classic** was an amazing show of support from our friends in the north Okanagan—they even invited us to play. Over \$17,000 was raised, and tournament organizer Lion Michele Materi-Baker was a great host. ▶

Bonny and Russ Eison ran the 44th Annual **Dart-a-Thon** at the Burnside Lawn Bowling Club. The event ran for an amazing 25 hours straight and this year they raised a record-breaking \$30,000 for Camp Shawnigan. ▶



Events are a fun, easy way to show your support as either an individual or a business, and supporting us will be even easier this year when we launch our new online platform. We've begun planning next year's schedule and we'd love to work with you.

For more information or to get involved in community events, scan this QR code or email [Michelle Boileau](mailto:Michelle.Boileau@eastersealsbcy.ca)





Where Kids Are Kings Welcome to the Lions' Den

In 1946 Louis Toban, the project chairman for the East Vancouver Lions Club, announced a province-wide campaign to raise funds for sick and “crippled children” through the sale of Easter Seals or “stamps.” The Seals were valued at 50 for a dollar and were mailed to almost every home in British Columbia. And the rest—as they say—is history.

The Lions Clubs came together to formally establish the BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities and ever since, Lions Clubs throughout the province have been an integral and formidable supporter for children and adults with disabilities.

Over the years, Lions Clubs have supported Easter Seals BC/Yukon with fundraising events and volunteer activities. They have contributed millions to the mission,

in cash and time. This past year alone, the Lions across British Columbia donated close to \$200,000 to support our local programs and services.

What is equally impressive is the amount of time they give, especially to our camps. For over three decades they have anchored the Camp Improvement Committees across the province. The committees provide their expertise in construction, landscaping, structural engineering, and much more so that we can direct donor dollars to programming and services versus expensive labour and consulting.

The Lions Clubs in British Columbia are truly at the heart of what we do, and they are a big reason we are able to make such an impact in the lives of people living with disabilities.



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This past year alone, the Lions across British Columbia donated close to \$200,000 to support our local programs and services.





Life Changing, by Design Bringing Innovation to Shawnigan Lake

Thanks to the generosity and dedication of countless donors and volunteers, Easter Seals Camp Shawnigan has provided life-changing experiences for children, youth, and adults with disabilities and their families. However, four decades of service have taken its toll on the structures and the landscape. More importantly, what was considered accessible and acceptable in 1979 does not meet today's standards and cannot accommodate all disabilities.

The time has come to revitalize Camp Shawnigan for our campers, their families and caregivers, and the entire community.

Camp Shawnigan's \$25 million transformation will create North America's first year-round, purpose-built, multi-purpose retreat. Designed for people with both visible and invisible disabilities, Camp Shawnigan will accommodate all people no matter their abilities, mobility, or sensory sensitivities.

We are going to push the boundaries of Universal and Inclusive Design to improve quality of life and enable the growth and future sustainability of our programs year-round.

More than just a camp for kids, it will:

- serve as a fully accessible destination for tourists and inclusive large gatherings;
- contribute to its own self-sustainability and the economic vitality of the region;
- be a living laboratory for Universal Design Principles, achieving a new standard of accessibility and inclusivity that is beyond code.

Connecting to nature in a supportive environment will bring joy to anyone with physical or intellectual disabilities, mental health challenges, or complex needs. Accessible landscapes, stunning vistas, and beautifully inclusive built environments will create a sense of fulfillment and community for everyone.

As North America's first purpose-built, year-round overnight retreat for people with disabilities and their families, it will position British Columbia as a leader in accessible travel and deliver innovation to shape the future of inclusive recreation. Together, we will redefine accessibility and inclusivity for those living with a disability and the result will truly be Life-Changing, by Design.



“We could not be happier or more thankful to Premier David Eby and the BC Government for their belief in and support of this project. Their generous grant of \$7 million gives us confidence that this project is indeed needed here in British Columbia. We look forward to working with the Premier and his government in the coming year to further support the disability community.

Together, we can redefine accessibility and inclusivity for British Columbians living with a disability, and the result will truly be Life-Changing, by Design.”

*Lisa Beck, President & CEO
Easter Seals BC/Yukon*



Camp Shawnigan will leverage Universal Design principles to achieve a new standard of accessibility and inclusivity that will be Life Changing, by Design.

- Ten new two-bedroom cabins with kitchenette, loft, shower room, covered deck, and fireplace in living area.
- Hotel-style building including 12 double-occupancy suites and multi-purpose rooms for learning and recreational programs and gatherings.
- West Coast inspired lakeside dining hall with fully accessible commercial kitchen and serving areas.
- New waterfront access and dock to enable fun and adventure in an inclusive and safe environment, providing the excitement of a swim or a boat ride with a dignified and easy beach entry into the lake.
- Barrier-free gymnasium, outdoor swimming pool and hot tub, new adjacent changeroom building featuring showers both inside and poolside, and a creative arts studio.

*Scan this QR code or
[click here](#) to learn more
about Camp Shawnigan*



At Easter Seals BC/Yukon, we are grateful for the ongoing support of our donors and community partners, at every level.

It is only because of your commitment and generosity that we can make a real impact in the lives of people living with disabilities. Together, we're breaking down barriers and creating a more inclusive, accessible, and equitable society. On behalf of those we serve, thank you for putting your trust in us.

This list was current at time of printing. For those we missed, we apologise and thank you for your generosity.

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Everyone is unique in how they plan their final wishes. Some want the details to be known prior to their death, perhaps so there are no surprises, or perhaps they want others to know they are prepared so you won't be worried with paperwork or guessing what they might have wanted. And some want to keep it close to their heart until they're gone.

When Joyce passed away, she left her estate to Easter Seals BC/Yukon. We didn't know Joyce yet somehow, she knew us. She chose to keep her wishes close to her heart until she was gone. While we respect her decision to remain private, we also wish we'd known Joyce in her lifetime, to hear her stories and to know more about her connection to Easter Seals. But more than that, we wish we'd had the opportunity to thank her for her thoughtful gift and give her the opportunity to see the impact she made.

Joyce will be remembered for years to come, and her legacy will live on here at Easter Seals. It is an important reminder of the impact you have when leaving a gift to a charity in your will.

The Benefits of a Gift in Your Will

Through this simple act, not only can you reduce estate taxes, while in many cases leaving the same amount of money to loved ones, but you are helping to sustain Easter Seals as an organisation so we may continue to impact the lives of future generations of individuals and families who rely on our life-changing programming and services.

After you have taken care of your family, please consider leaving a gift to Easter Seals BC/Yukon.

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