

The McCreary Centre Society

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Our mission is...

To foster wider understanding of the importance of youth health, increase knowledge about youth health needs and issues, promote a continuing commitment to youth health issues, and initiate and implement innovative projects which directly address unmet health needs of young people.

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Twenty Five Years On The Roller Coaster Of Youth Health

Twenty-five years ago a few dedicated individuals gathered around a table and the McCreary Centre Society (MCS) was hatched. Some are still around and remain actively involved in the Society's affairs. Originally conceived of as a support vehicle for a new center for the study of childhood to be established at the University of British Columbia, MCS soon became a society without a mission. The reason being that the planned center, while approved by the Board of Governors at UBC, never came into being. This was certainly a portent of things to come as MCS began an uncertain life as a non-profit society interested in what was then called Child Health. Over the past quarter century the Society's mission has evolved and its focus on youth health in our province became more clearly defined.

To begin with, in the late 70's and early 80's, our infant Society played a supportive role to myself as a member of the Department of Pediatrics at UBC. We jointly organized conferences and published a pioneering series of monographs on child and youth health. Entitled "Child Health Profile," these monographs proved popular with the health sectors and the media because they gathered and presented current data on children and youth in BC. They were the first to do so and eventually provided the model for the Canadian Institute for Child Health's national publication of the same name. Of particular import was the "Violence in Adolescence" monograph. It provided the first current and credible provincial data on the alarming loss of life and new morbidity due to injury associated with risky behaviors involving adolescents.

As time passed, MCS has had the opportunity to work in either leadership or supportive capacity on behalf of a number of initiatives by university, governmental, and other organizations. Examples are collaboration with the: Canadian Pediatric Society on the National Training Initiative in Adolescent Health; Canadian Health Network-Youth Affiliate on the design of Internet based youth friendly

information; Ministry of Health of BC and disability groups on the Sexual Abuse and Young Persons with Disability project; Provincial Eating Disorders Task Force and the professionals at BC's Children's Hospital with the Camp Elsewhere project and the establishment of a provincial eating disorder program; youth and the Ministry of Children and Families on the design of a youth participation strategy and youth friendly web site; and the International Association for Adolescent Health in co-hosting the 1995 Youth Health Assembly in Vancouver.

Our Society has also played an important role in promoting youth empowerment and meaningful youth participation in setting a youth health agenda. Beginning in the early 1990's, youth participation has become an essential part of MCS's approach to its activities. The highly successful annual Breaking Barriers and Building Bridges (B4) workshops, the WebTeam's projects, summer projects such as the Doctor Project and the Open Door project, our Youth Advisory Council, Next Step, and the roles that youth play within MCS provide inspirational models that others have emulated. It is fair to say that MCS was doing youth participation before it became fashionable and has demonstrated that the Society walks the talk.

Beginning in 1987, MCS has slowly put together its own research team. It has undertaken a pioneering provincial survey of adolescent health status and risk behavior known by its initials as AHS. The design and launch of AHS began in 1991 and has subsequently evolved into a unique and valuable data set on the health and behavior of students from Grade 7 to 12 in all regions of BC. In addition, the research team has extended its work to include secondary analysis of special populations such as Aboriginal and Asian youth, youth with chronic conditions, youth who have been abused, gay-lesbian-bisexual and trans-gendered youth, and girls. In recognition of the fact that not all of BC youth are in school and that some of our most vulnerable youth are street involved, homeless, engaged in the sex trade, or even in custody, MCS's research activities have expanded beyond the AHS to custom designed studies of these sub-populations. This panoply of research endeavors is now the mainstay of MCS activity and has contributed significantly to our knowledge of what young people in BC experience.

From its earliest Child Health Profiles, MCS's publications have become known for their reader friendly formats. They have been seen as one of the best available data sources on child and youth in BC. Our publications are in constant demand and are seen as highly credible, oft quoted models of bridging the gap between research and policy. From the outset, MCS has been a "first to turn to" source on adolescents for all forms of media. Our high quality web sites are regularly visited by those in BC and beyond. As we progressed into the electronic age and have been able to take advantage of information technology MCS has expanded the scope of its influence beyond its own reports. The utility of our efforts reaches well beyond that envisioned by those who gathered together 25 years ago.

The Society has often seen itself in terms of which part of the roller coaster ride we are currently on. We had the media furor around the "sex and drugs survey" in

1992. There were the challenging moments in 1999 when we had 26,000 completed AHS questionnaires but no money to do the data input and analysis. Almost every summer has featured a major cash flow crisis as we struggled to get agencies to reimburse us for work already done. There was the tremendous high of the 1995 Youth Health Assembly and the adrenaline rushes associated with public release of AHS I & II. reports There was the infectious excitement of getting together after another successful B4 and the moments of quiet pride when the First Nations community received our report “Raven’s Children.” There were many special moments when one or other of us has stood on a provincial, national, or international stage to present the results of our work to a professional audience. In the process we have come to understand that the life of a small non-profit is a fragile thing with many ups and downs and serial crises. To survive and be resilient we have come to value perspective, patience, faith, and dedication among our Board, our YAC, our staff, and our support network.

We have come to understand the importance of being small in numbers but having a “village” of supporters to collaborate with. We have enjoyed important working relationships with UBC and SFU faculty and many trainees have visited with us, used our resources, worked on our projects, and made their own contributions to the youth health literature. In addition, researchers from the University of Minnesota and other programs are actively exploring further research partnerships with MCS.

Over the years the Society has worked out of 5 different office sites. We hope that OverLynn will not only be our last stop but will become a permanent home. We have shared the OverLynn space with a variety of co-tenants but the new shared use of the space with Planned Parenthood Association of BC offers important cost saving and the added benefit of potential collaboration on issues affecting adolescent sexuality. More importantly we look forward to exploring the opportunity of transforming the space into a wonderful and functional icon of youth health endeavors in our province. We would like the facility to become the “home” that the founding group had dreamed of.

The AHS will continue as a major research focus at MCS. However, we are mindful of the growing trend towards establishing centers of excellence, forming research partnerships, and moving into multidisciplinary research teams. At the same time, while population based research, examination of the determinants of health, and evaluation of health outcomes are receiving growing attention and improved funding the issues of youth are quietly slipping off of the agenda. One of the challenges for MCS is to maintain focus and sustain its core activities. Diversification of funding sources and research activities will be important strategies but in the long run a supportive, youth specific and health focused support network and infrastructure will need to be created in BC. For MCS to survive the roller coaster ride for another 25 years it needs to be able to operate within a milieu that has youth as its focus and fostering positive youth development as its primary strategy. To this end, a new initiative is being “hatched.”

Upon reflection, youth have reached a significant place on the provincial and national agendas. However, the challenge is to keep them there and even to advance their agenda further. About a year ago a small group got together to conceive of a Consortium for Youth in BC. This early network included representatives of the 4 major universities, ministries and agencies, and youth. Their goal was to establish a strategy for keeping youth on the agenda. They have begun their work and convened, with the help of MCS, their first Forum. Their long range dream is to establish a formal, adequately endowed foundation that would help build a youth health research capacity, exercise and promote youth participation, establish an effective inter-university and community partnership on behalf of youth health, and identify research priorities, programs, and policies to meet the needs of youth in special sub-populations.

Those of us who gathered around the table 25 years ago can take satisfaction from the subsequent evolution of the fragile germ or concept that we helped hatch. Of greater satisfaction should be the many thousands of young lives and young families that MCS has had a direct or indirect impact upon. In the process we have reached out to the students, health professionals, administrators, and political leaders in our province and beyond. Many cups of coffee later we can honestly say that our name is no longer unknown and that our work is highly valued. Our staff may be small but our network is vast and rich and our collective voice on behalf of the youth of BC is no longer being ignored.

Chairperson's Report

2001-2002

Another roller coaster year at McCreary! We get all fired up to work with our first ever full time, paid Executive Director and then she, and long time staff member Beth Veitch are gone. August of 2001 saw us facing yet another financial crisis and continuing to discover the depths of our administrative difficulties. However, as our neighbours to the south learned in the aftermath of 9/11 good things can come out of moments of crisis.

When I took over as Acting Executive Director I promised myself (and Carrol) that it would be a short term responsibility. The next 8 months were a lot of work for everyone on staff. With the help of Nancy Sorensen we got our financial house in order, Aileen helped steer us through unsettling times and kept our various projects on track, while Alison kept our public face alive as she worked diligently to get a host of reports and related projects out. Many others, including the Board and YAC members pitched in to keep things running and our collective heads above water. It wasn't easy but we coped and our work progressed. Please take a few moments to read Aileen's report and that of the YAC to check out the lists of staff, projects, committees that have been involved. I think you will be impressed with how productive a year we had.

By April we were ready with a new personnel document in which Aileen Murphy assumed the newly defined role of Managing Director. We decided against entering into another exercise to recruit an Executive Director and I assumed a few areas of responsibility on behalf of the Board. This arrangement has proven to be a practical one and has substantially reduced our operating costs. However, it is not seen as a long-term solution.

Over the course of this fiscal year we have been able to reduce our core-operating budget by about \$100,000 and yet have maintained our gross income at about the same level as in previous years (about \$ 450,000). By a mixed strategy of reducing staff numbers, controlling miscellaneous project expenses, and diversifying our project income (and raising our administration fee from 15 % to 20 %) we were successful in avoiding the annual August cash flow crunch. Our financial administration is now fully computerized and management of statements and cash flow is now current and able to be reviewed on a monthly basis. We were also able to restructure and improve the compensation package offered to our core staff.

The patience and cooperation of Seton Villa staff, especially our former Board member Barbara Kroon and the understanding and patience of Action Line Housing during our cash flow crisis has helped us get through the past year. With their consent we have entered into a shared space agreement with Planned Parenthood Association of BC. This has enabled us to share rent and space and better utilize our collective resources. Due to the efforts of our staff, Greg Smith, and the PPABC staff, OverLynn has become a much livelier and more pleasant environment. While we are separate organizations we have welcomed PPABC's presence and look forward to many potential areas for future cooperation and collaboration

The quality of our work is reflected in the quality of our reports and the continuing broad interest in them. A lot of thought and care goes into each aspect of these activities and our overall communication strategy. Unsung heroes within this dimension of our work Alison Liebel and Dodie Katzenstein. The latter has continued her interest in McCreary and its people and we are grateful that, despite her illness, she has been so supportive of us.

As Chair I have assumed responsibility for 3 functional areas at MCS. Firstly, I am part of our public face through media work, writings, and public presentations. A highlight of this year was the 8 city spring seminar series. Secondly, I am the principal liaison with governments and universities and over the course of this past year have visited with officials from University of Victoria, University of Northern British Columbia, University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, and both Ministry of Children and Family Development and Health Canada. I have also held meetings and fostered our working relationships with Vancouver Foundation, Michael Smith Health Research Foundation, Canadian Institutes for Health Research, Children's Hospital Foundation etc. Thirdly, I have assumed the role of Chair of the BC Consortium for Youth Health and am the lead on our collective efforts to establish an endowed Foundation for the Youth of BC. A highlight of this activity was a Forum held this past January.

Each year, over the past 25 years, it has been my pleasure to acknowledge the tremendous support, interest, and encouragement that we have received. In the early days it was a small band of believers whereas today the list continues to expand and numbers in the 100's. They are listed in this annual report and in the various projects that they have contributed to. However, I am sad to report that one of our former Board members and a major contributor to our early efforts is no longer among that list. Cancer claimed the life of Gordon May. He passed away this past year and our latest publication is dedicated to his memory.

Despite the less than youth friendly environment of the times, I look forward to the next few years at McCreary. I am sure that our Board feels that we are more than adequately supported by our very competent and dedicated staff. I am appreciative of our Board and YAC members. They have been particularly helpful and supportive in the past year and have become very connected and knowledgeable in

the process. Perhaps that is why McCreary is such a resilient organization and has been able to make a contribution to improving the lives and health of many thousands of BC youth.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Tonkin', written in a cursive style.

Roger Tonkin
Chair

Treasurer's Report

Fiscal Year: June 1st, 2001 to May 31st, 2002

As treasurer I wish to report to the Annual Meeting of the Society the Review of the Financial Statements as of May 31, 2002 as prepared by the Chartered Accountant firm, Ellis Foster. It is noted that the Chartered Accountant firm of Ellis Foster is retained by the Society to review the Society's Financial Statements, but are not retained to prepare an audit. Based on their review, the accountants are of the opinion that the financial statements are in accordance with accepted accounting principles.

In summary

The Society's general receipts are down approximately \$20,000 from the previous year, with the majority of this decline in the area of Sales and Fees. Projected receipts from various government agencies remained almost the same -- \$396,597.00 in this fiscal year versus the prior fiscal year's receipts of \$394,819.00. The overall expenses have decreased from \$483,635.00 to \$467,289.00. The excess of Revenue over Expenses was \$22,702.00, down marginally from \$24,922.00 the previous year.

In closing, I wish to thank Nancy Sorensen for her hard work and diligence in managing the financial affairs of the McCreary Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Grace Eadie
Treasurer

Nominating Committee Report

The Committee met on Sept 17, 2002 as part of the Board meeting.

Present were, Tim Agg, Opreet Kang, Pat Mauch, Roger Tonkin (Aileen Murphy as recorder)

The present Board composition was reviewed and the following were proposed for re-election: Tim Agg, Opreet Kang, David Cox, Grant Connell, Grace Eadie, Roger Tonkin

Letters of Resignation have been received from Lena Farina, Barb Kroon, and Kim Schonert-Reichel

Members agreed to undertake a search for at least 3 new Board members. Names were suggested and were to be followed up on.

Final Recommendations: the following individuals have indicated a willingness to stand for the Board for the year 2002 - 2003

Tim Agg
David Cox
Grant Connell
Grace Eadie
Opreet Kang
Poonum Kang
Pat Mauch
Mary Paone
Irving Rootman
Roger Tonkin

Youth Advisory Committee Report

Breaking Barriers & Building Bridges (B4)

The Breaking Barriers & Building Bridges (B4), a weekend long youth-lead conference and a signature mark of the YAC was for the first time held in the spring this past year. Camp Howdy in Port Moody was the venue for the conference on the March 22-24 weekend. Once again the B4 brought together youth from all over BC to learn skills and network with other youth and adult support persons.

YAC Development

Keeping with the YAC development process that started at the first YAC retreat in the Winter of 2001, YAC has embarked on several development activities over the past year. Starting with the completion of the YAC Book to various workshops (i.e. Facilitation skills) the YAC is continually working towards it's group structure and self-organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Opreet Kang

Managing Director's Report

McCreary is committed to promoting the health of BC youth through research, education and youth participation activities. Over the past year we completed a number of research projects on topics of special interest to government and communities. The results of this work provide an important evidence base for planning and advocating for youth policies and programs. The dissemination of adolescent health information has remained a priority for McCreary. In the past year we continued to produce “user-friendly” reports and web-based resources that are accessible to the wide range of people with an interest in young people. Youth participation is a principle underlying all of McCreary’s activities. In 2001-2002 the Society involved youth in a number of workshops and conferences, and began a new project focused on strengthening early adolescents’ connectedness to their community.

Research

Homeless Youth in Vancouver

In recent years McCreary has undertaken a number of studies focusing on the health of BC’s most vulnerable youth – street youth and youth in the juvenile justice system. A study of homeless youth in Vancouver, released in late April, is the latest such study. The report entitled *Between the Cracks: Homeless Youth in Vancouver* presents the results of interviews and questionnaires completed by young people living on the streets of downtown Vancouver. An annotated bibliography and follow-up workshop with street youth and service-providers were also components of this project. The Homeless Youth in Vancouver project was funded by the Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative of the Government of Canada.

Abuse

McCreary’s Adolescent Health Survey is one of the few sources of self-report, population-based data on adolescents’ experiences of abuse available in Canada. In 2002, the Family Violence Prevention Unit of Health Canada contracted McCreary to explore the school-based AHS II data on abuse, along with data from McCreary’s surveys of youth on the street and in custody. The results are presented in a comprehensive report entitled, *Violated Boundaries: A Health Profile of Adolescents Who Have Been Abused*.

Violence in Adolescence

Twenty years ago McCreary produced a report on *Violence in Adolescence* as a part of its Child Health Profile series. In 2001-2002, the Society took another look at the issue. The report, *Violence in Adolescence: Injury, suicide and criminal violence in the lives of BC youth*, uses McCreary data, along information from other relevant sources, to examine trends in youth violence. This special topic report was funded by the Ministry of Children and Family Development and the Mental Health Promotion Unit, Health Canada.

Accentuating the Positive: A developmental framework for reducing risk and promoting positive outcomes among BC youth

This policy document is being prepared for the Ministry of Children and Family Development. It draws upon McCreary's studies of BC youth, along with relevant research literature on adolescence, to suggest developmentally based frameworks for future provincial policies and programs. It supports the premise that provincial strategies to address youth health concerns should be built on a solid understanding of adolescent development and should be positive – rather than punitive – in approach.

Adolescent Health Survey III (AHS III)

The third provincial AHS was originally planned for the spring 2002. Due to uncertainties in the province, including teachers' job action and restructuring of the health regions, the survey was postponed until the spring 2003. With the support of the Ministries of Children and Family Development and Health, this past year was spent laying the groundwork for AHS III.

In late November, McCreary hosted a two-day, AHS III advisory committee meeting. In addition to BC-based committee members representing the provincial government, education sector, universities and community agencies, Linda Beringer and Michael Resnick from the University of Minnesota participated in the meeting.

A planning report was prepared for the provincial government in March. This is being used as the basis for on-going discussions with the province's Inter-ministry committee regarding sampling frame, questionnaire content, dissemination strategies and budget issues.

University Partnerships

Developing partnerships with university-based researchers is beneficial since it enables McCreary's research to be published in the academic literature and so contribute to furthering the knowledge base in adolescent health. It can also provide the Society with access to national and provincial funding sources that are restricted to university-based researchers.

Over the past year, McCreary continued to collaborate with faculty and students from the SFU Department of Psychology. Monthly meetings were held at McCreary

and two Master's students used the AHS for their theses; topics included Aboriginal youth and school drop-out and the health of ethnic Chinese youth. Students have also presented AHS-based research at academic conferences.

Elizabeth Saewyc from the University of Minnesota's School of Nursing is being funded by the National Institute of Mental Health in the US, to explore the health of bisexual youth. This three-year research project is using nine school-based youth health surveys, including the AHS. Elizabeth and her colleague Carol Skay visited McCreary in the fall and spring to conduct analysis on the BC dataset.

McCreary was among fifteen Canadian experts in adolescent health invited to prepare a chapter for a book on adolescent health policy being edited by William Boyce & Diane Davies at Queen's University. Roger Tonkin, with the assistance of McCreary staff, prepared a chapter on sexual health entitled *Sexuality and Reproductive Health in Adolescence: Policy Implications of Early Age of Sexual Debut*.

Education

National Training Initiative in Adolescent Health (NTIAH)

The NTIAH is a multi-disciplinary training program for professionals who work with youth. McCreary completed the three-year development phase in March 2002. Funds from the Population Health Fund, Health Canada supported the development of a Train the Trainers Workshop Kit, an Education Resource Centre that includes a website, catalogue and print collection, and the establishment of nationally-representative NTIAH faculty. The Canadian Paediatric Society will facilitate future NTIAH training. McCreary will continue to maintain the Educational Resource Centre.

Canadian Health Network

The Canadian Health Network (CHN) is a federal government initiative to develop resources that provide Canadians with reliable health information. The CHN's present form is a national web site that links Canadian non-profits and associations. McCreary is part of a 5 member consortium that forms the youth health affiliate which is part of the youth health centre on the CHN web site. This health centre provides health promotion information to young people and adults who support them. Over the past year, McCreary has been working to establish guidelines for evaluating youth friendly web sites and developing content on the CHN web site that is friendly and meaningful to youth.

Youth Participation

From the Inside Out: Promoting Resilience in Early Adolescence

From the Inside Out is a two-year project (2002-2004) funded by the Population Health Fund, Health Canada. Based on the principles of early intervention, positive youth development and building capacity in young people and their communities,

this project will involve conducting a series of youth workshops in three BC communities – Moricetown Band, Anahim Lake Band and north Surrey. In addition, a report highlighting research on the determinants of health in early adolescence will be prepared.

Summer Student Projects

HRDC's Summer Career Placements Program again provided McCreary with funds to hire summer staff. This summer, the students worked on three projects that were identified by McCreary's Youth Advisory Council. They completed the YACBook, a resource for YAC members containing information on YAC protocols and contact information. They also followed up on the spring 2002 B4 conference by preparing the B4 Scrapbook and conducting interviews with B4 participants to solicit their feedback on the conference.

Webteam

The Webteam is a group of young people who work together to create youth friendly resources for the Internet. The Webteam members learn about the Internet, web page design with HTML, graphic design skills, and various software involved in creating web pages. This year the Webteam has worked hard at updating the "Youth Action" section of McCreary's web site.

BC Consortium For Youth Health

The BC Consortium for Youth Health was established with the premise that coordination of interests and efforts related to youth health will promote new opportunities for academic research, improve training for professionals who work with youth, and enable development of more protective policies, programs and services for BC youth. Its partners include university, government and community agency representatives. McCreary staff have supported the development of the consortium. Staff members helped to plan and organize the two day provincial Youth On The Agenda Forum held in late November 2001, and have assisted in the production of communications materials.

Respectfully submitted,

Aileen Murphy

People Involved

MCS Board of Directors

Chairperson	Roger Tonkin
Treasurer	Grace Eadie
Co-Secretary	Lena Farina (resigned Sept. '02)
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	Barbara Kroon (resigned Sept. '01)
	David Cox
	Grant Connell
	Tim Agg
	Kim Schonert-Reichl (resigned Sept. '02)
	Opreet Kang

MCS Youth Advisory Council

Golda Achampong	Poonum Kang
Alex Chin	Cindy Lane
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Opreet Kang	

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Project Advisory Committees

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Michelle Fortin
Watari Research Association

Deena Franks
Family Services of Greater Vancouver

The Gathering Place

Jenn Horgos and Romi Chandra
GAB, the Centre

Options

Melanie Mark
Save the Children

BC Centre for Disease Control -
Street Nurse Program

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*Downtown Eastside Youth Activities
Society*

R.J. Evans
*Ministry of Children and Family
Development*

Walden Safe House

Brian Williams
Dusk to Dawn

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Centre of BC

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BC Confederation of Parent Advisory

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BC Teacher's Federation

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Funding Agencies

BC Gaming Commission

BC Ministry of Children and Family Development

BC Ministry of Health

Population Health Fund, Health Canada

Canadian Health Network

Family Violence Prevention Unit, Healthy Communities Division, Health Canada

Human Resource Development Canada

Hamber Foundation

Mental Health Promotion Unit, Health Canada

Population and Public Health Branch, BC/Yukon Region, Health Canada

Supporting Communities Partnership Initiative

Publications List

(2001-2002)

Between the Cracks: Homeless Youth in Vancouver (2002). Burnaby, British Columbia: The McCreary Centre Society.

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