Program Funding Provided By Aboriginal Community Career Employment Services Society (ACCESS)

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Aboriginal Outreach Team	604.254.514	
Aboriginal Transition Team	604.254.773	
Aboriginal Wellness Counsellor	604.254.773	
AYF Sports & Recreation Program	604.254.773	
Aboriginal Youth Safehouse 24 hour Youth Info & Referral Line	604.254.514 1.877.223.432	
Aboriginal Youth Worker	604.254.773	
Alcohol & Drug Counsellors	604.254.773	
Alcohol & Drug Counsellor at Brit	604.709.572	
Aries Program	604.255.132	
Cedar Walk Program	604.708.913	
Kinnections Program	604.254.773	
Mediation Program	604.254.773	
Mentorship Program	604.254.773	
Native Youth Learning Centre	604.254.562	
Overly Creative Minds (OCM) Program	604.254.771	
Ravens Lodge	604.254.773	
School Support Team	604.254.773	
Young Bears Lodge	604.322.757	
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Urban Native Youth Association

UNYA began in 1988, has 20+ programs, 110+ volunteers, 200+ community partners, 100 staff, and over 25,000 visits per year. Youth are consulted in the development of programs and services as we believe they are experts in their own lives and are in the best position to advise us on youth issues. Our programs are developed to help meet the educational, training, cultural, artistic, and personal needs of Native youth. We continue to focus on community development initiatives, as we believe that the strengthening of our community as a whole can have a tremendous and positive impact on Native youth's lives.

We believe that Native youth have the right to live safe, healthy, and positive lives that are free from negative influences. We strive to address issues that negatively affect their lives by providing a supportive continuum of care, with a large focus on prevention-based activities as we believe that Native youth lack opportunity – not ability. We know that when youth have access to meaningful opportunities, they excel as they have many strengths to build upon. We will continue to adapt to meet the changing needs of Native youth to help ensure that they have the best chance possible to reach their goals and full potential.

Publications available in pdf online at www.unya.bc.ca are focused on health, parenting, sexual exploitation, healthy cooking on a budget, Two-spirit, sports & recreation, and the ins & outs of college and university



Pre-employment program for Native youth ages 15-30

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What We Do

The Native Youth Learning Centre helps Native youth ages 15-30 gain the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed to meet their educational and employment needs and goals.

We provide a safe, welcoming, and positive space for youth to learn through workshops, one-to-one support, group activities, computer-based activities, and with and from each other.

We meet youth where they are at. You don't have to know how to write a resume, feel comfortable during a job interview, or look for a job, education, or training..... we will help you learn how to do all that if you are interested in learning.

We provide information and referrals to other community programs and services to help youth reach their goals.



What We Offer

- A safe environment
- 10+ computers with internet
- Photocopier
- Community board
- Daily newspapers
- Phone use
- Email access
- Fax machine

Free workshops on:

- First Aid
- First Nations culture
- Food Safe & Superhost
- Typing skills training
- Serving It Right
- Job search
- Resume writing
- Interview skills
- Lifeskills
- Computer skills
- WHMIS (safety training)

Education

- Tutors available
- College info and tours
- Homework space
- Help with school applications
- Band funding assistance
- Scholarship & bursary list

Employment

- Dress for Success referrals
- On-on-one job assistance
- Employment website lists
- Practice interviews
- Job search assistance
- Help with cover letter and resume
- Job board

Computer workstations for:

- E-learning (internet courses)
- Resumes
- Homework
- Email (during set times only)

Who Can Come to the NYLC?

- Native youth, ages 15-30 years
- Those who want to learn with and from other Native youth
- Those who want to have a positive and fun time
- Those who would like to share their knowledge and/or skills with Native youth

Program Hours:

Monday – Thur 1-8pm Friday 1-5pm