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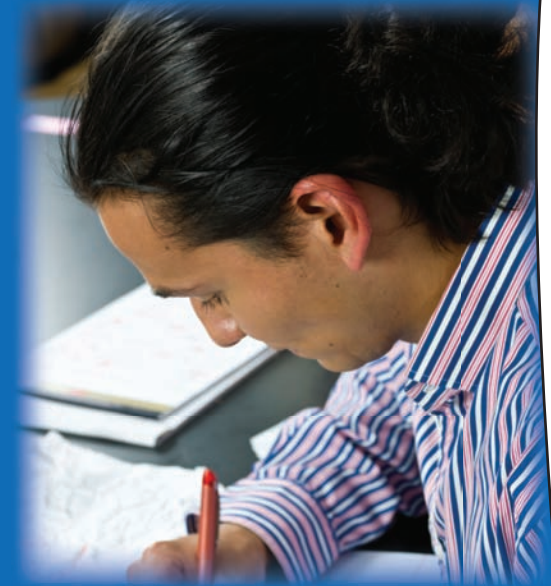
## Urban Native Youth Association

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](http://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



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## What is Cedar Walk?

Cedar Walk is an alternate school for Native youth ages 16 - 18 years whose educational needs are not being met in the mainstream school system.

Our school works with youth who are interested in graduation, learning pre-employment skills, or getting work experience.

Students attend either in the morning or afternoon only. The rest of the school day, students work on other goals or go to their job or volunteer work.

Each student is treated as a unique person with their own needs and learning styles.

Each student works on their own self-paced education plan. We offer subjects up to grade 10 and beyond to help youth to increase their reading, writing, math, and other educational skills.

We work closely with the Vancouver School Board to ensure youth's educational needs are being met in a welcoming, nurturing, and culturally appropriate environment. The VSB generously provides a teacher and food to Cedar Walk.

When a youth first comes to Cedar Walk, they work cooperatively with staff to create a learning plan that will meet their own needs and goals

### Cedar Walk Includes:

- Breakfast & lunch
- Tutors
- Sports & rec activities
- Arts & crafts
- Cultural teachings
- Field trips
- Basic life-skills
- Workshops
- Alcohol & drug awareness
- Health information
- Access to counselling
- Information and referrals to services for youth
- Access to sports activities at Britannia Secondary School
- Access to other UNYA programs
- Supportive and helpful staff

### We gratefully accept donations of:

- Bus tickets
- Gift certificates for local events
- Native arts & craft supplies
- Gently used First Nations and other educational books for grades 7-12

## Can I get into Cedar Walk?

Cedar Walk is only able to work with Native youth who are referred by a social worker or probation officer. Youth are welcome to contact us for more information about our program, but someone must contact MCFD to make the referral to Cedar Walk.



*I was able to do my school work while also learning job skills and having a part-time job*