

SPRING EDITION

FEBRUARY TO MAY 2017

JAYS CARE FIELD OF DREAMS RECIPIENT

Boys & Girls Club of Kamloops is one of 13 organizations across Canada and one of two in BC to be awarded a "Field of Dreams" grant. Thanks to the support of the Jays Care Foundation, we can build a ball diamond at the John Tod Centre and provide a safe & accessible place for children in our community to be active and develop confidence and skills for life. The kids are so excited and can't wait to start running the bases!



Ball field construction is well underway with wonderful support from the City of Kamloops. Keep up to date on our Facebook page @bgckamloops and stay tuned for details on our opening ceremony this summer.

Go Jays Go!



FEATURE STAFF: KERRY WOEHLE



Kerry has actively worked with the Boys and Girls Club of Kamloops for 6+ years. She started as the Family Support Coordinator and loved it so much that she continues to facilitate our Connect Parent Program. Kerry is now the Manager of Program Operations & goes above and beyond to provide support wherever it's needed without complaint.

Kerry is hardworking and genuinely cares for our members and staff. She takes a strength-based and solution-focused approach to all she does, and passionately promotes empathy in the work we do. Kerry is a valued member of our team and we want her to know how much we appreciate her. Whenever we're going through staffing changes or need an extra helping hand, Kerry's always here holding things together. Thank you for always having our back.

Much love from all of us at the Club!

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING

Thank you, TD Bank Group!

\$15,000 for the Bright Red Book Bus



Pink Shirt Day

Our Little Club Kids promoting kindness & friendship.



Family Day Festival Fun!

Lia showing some BGCK pride



Ford Donation Battle

Both Ford locations donated a total of \$12,800 to our Power Start Program



& so much more!

FEATURE PROGRAM: GetLOUD YOUTH FORUM 2017

The Youth Leadership Council of the Boys and Girls Club of Kamloops attended the National Boys and Girls Club GetLOUD Youth Forum in Ottawa, Ontario this May. The GetLOUD conference provided interactive workshops and engaging keynote speakers that helped our youth explore the importance of sharing their voices and how to make a positive difference in our community and local Club. They learnt about social issues such as equality, human rights, inclusion, and diversity, and connected with other Clubs across Canada to brainstorm and plan inspiring ways to promote change. This was an amazing opportunity to strengthen their leadership skills, be positive role models, and encourage others to get involved with issues that matter.

A huge thank you to *WestJet* for paying in full for their airfare! The youth wouldn't have been able to attend without your support. As well as to *United Way TNC* and *GenNext* for choosing them as a recipient of the GenNext Youth Initiative Grant and *Westland Insurance Group* for sponsoring a youth to attend. We are so grateful for your support!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

June 9th

Showcase & Donor Appreciation Night

June 21st

Annual General Meeting

July 4th to August 25th

Weekly Kids Summer Camps,
Youth Summer Drop-In &
Bright Red Book Bus

July 26th

Italian Fundraising Dinner for
Youth Volunteer Trip
to Guatemala with
Developing World Connections

September 2017

Power Start Breakfast
Corporate Fundraiser

A BIG THANK YOU!

The community support we've received this winter and spring has been overwhelming. We'd like to extend a sincere thank you to the following people and organizations for their support & generosity:

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United Way TYR
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Sandy McKinley
Urban Systems

GRANTS

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Basic Needs - Brighter Futures
Ministry of Children & Family Development
TD Bank Group
WestJet Subsidy
United Way GenNext Youth Initiative
Homeless Partnering Strategy Funding
Interior Community Services



Thank you for making a significant impact on our Club and community!

