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UNITED WAY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA (UWNBC) – COMMUNITY IMPACT IN McBRIDE

As part of UWNBC community development work, community issues were identified through research and consultation for UWNBC's 3 pillars: **Successful Kids/Empowered Families, Involved Seniors** and **Healthy Citizens and Safe, Supportive Communities**.

The McBride issues identified can be summarized as:

Successful Kids/Empowered Families	Involved Seniors	Healthy Citizens and Safe, Supportive Communities
Need a broader range of activities to address the diversity of youth interests	Need educational workshops of topics such as completing taxes, wills, and real estate planning	Need for more travel support to link residents with regionalized health services
Need to develop a swimming pool to address family recreational needs and physical rehabilitation needs	Access to a range of support services and borrowable equipment is needed to enable seniors to remain in their homes	Limited access to drug / alcohol support
For more information please visit: www.unitedwaynbc.ca/Documents/Success_By_6_2010_2011.pdf		Need more resources to deliver Respectful Relationship programs in schools

Listed below are current community development, organizational capacity enhancements and community investments that begin to address the community issues identified above. With your support UWNBC will continue to assess needs and invest for change.

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COMMUNITY IMPACT INVESTMENTS NORTHERN BC CITIZENS RECEIVED SERVICE THROUGH THE FOLLOWING PROGRAMS

PROGRAM NAME	ORGANIZATION	MCBRIDE	NORTHERN REGION
PEER PROGRAMMING	BC Paraplegic Association 1-800-689-2477		121 persons
INFORMATION SERVICES			395 persons
REHABILITATION SERVICES	cnib 250-563-1702	7 persons	863 persons
CRISIS PREVENTION, INTERVENTION & INFORMATION	Crisis Centre for Northern BC 250-564-5736	3 persons	6831 persons
CHILDREN WHO WITNESS ABUSE	Amata Transition House Society 250-992-7321		18 staff were provided training

Program & Service Impact Investments - July 1st 2011 to June 30th 2012

- **BC Paraplegic Association** - The mission of the BC Paraplegic Association is to help people with spinal cord injuries and other physical disabilities achieve independence, self-reliance and full community participation. For further information call 1-800-689-2477 or visit www.bcpara.org.

The BCPA **Peer Program** hosts social groups, special events and educational sessions that give people with spinal cord injuries, their family members and their friends the opportunity to connect with others in similar situations, to try new activities that they may not have thought possible because of their injury and to continue learning about living with an injury.

Information Services, comprised of a Provincial InfoLine (1-800-689-2477), a dynamic website (www.bcpara.org) and a comprehensive SCI Information Database, people can access vital information on issues related to living with a spinal cord injury, such as accessible housing, government benefits, employment opportunities and recreation options.

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- **cnib** - Provides community-based support, knowledge and a national voice to ensure blind and partially sighted Canadians have the confidence, skills and opportunities to fully participate in life. For further information call (250) 563-1702 or visit www.cnib.ca.

Rehabilitation Services include: Orientation and Mobility, Independent Living Skills, Career and Employment and Low Vision Services. People who are coping with vision loss receive peer support from trained volunteers and referrals as needed to health professionals, information on concessions such as the CNIB ID card, training from our service staff to help them remain independent or maintain employment and access to the free CNIB library service.

- **Crisis Prevention, Intervention & Information Centre for Northern BC** – Operates a Crisis line, youth support line and online youth chat room and provides community education workshops and information on community resources. They provide crisis intervention, suicide prevention, resource information, education and confidential peer support for the people of Northern BC. For further information call (250) 564-5736 or visit www.northernbccrisissuicide.ca
- **Amata Transition House Society** – The Amata Transition House is a non-profit feminist based society dedicated to ending all forms of violence against women and children. For more information call (250) 992-7321 or visit www.amata.ca

Amata is hosting a training session for Northern BC staff of transition homes in support of **Children Who Witness Abuse** (CWWA) programs. CWWA is an intervention and prevention based program that addresses the needs of children and youth between the ages of 3 and 18 who have been exposed to abuse.

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