

# North and Central North

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Community Programs	Program Description
<b>New Focus Society (Quesnel)</b>	Toy and Equipment Lending Library – replenishing educational toys for infants and tots purchasing new equipment for infants and tots with special needs for the community lending library.
<b>Salvation Army (Prince George)</b>	Growing Families – a once a week daycare for infants and tots and a life skills and parenting skills program for parents of families that are impoverished and need knowledge how to access resources and cope with their situation.
<b>Quesnel Child Youth &amp; Family Society</b>	Toddler Screening (Phase 2) – taking the model and materials that were created in the previous project and putting them to practical use by setting up and running a toddler screening day for the community.
<b>Quesnel Child Youth &amp; Family Society</b>	Bub Program – a support program for new mother to encourage, mentor and assist them in breastfeeding their babies. A pilot project which if successful may expand to other surrounding communities.
<b>North Cariboo Aboriginal Family Program Society (Quesnel)</b>	First Steps Parenting Guide – revamping and updating an existing parenting guide to it more applicable to the local area and cultures.
<b>Leisure Services (District of Mackenzie)</b>	Families Grow – a means to encourage local families in distress to bring their children to free events of recreation, crafts, literacy and socializing on a once a month basis for a year. Information will also be available regarding assistance. A shuttle bus will also be available to residence of McCloud Lake to take part.
<b>Mackenzie Counselling Services Society</b>	Food For Thought – On a weekly basis low income parents will be taught how to cook wholesome inexpensive meals and they will afterwards be able to take the meal home with them.
<b>Mackenzie Counselling Services Society</b>	Mackenzie Contingency Fund – an emergency supply of vitamins for pregnant women, formula, diapers, wipes, baby food for families in desperate need.
<b>Fort St. James Rotary</b>	Children’s Festival – a community ECE event to bring families with preschool children together for food and activities in a central area. It is also an opportunity for agencies, services and individuals to share their child resources with parents.
<b>District of Vanderhoof</b>	Tots Playground – creating a state of the art tot playground in a Village park that is regularly used by parents for recreation.
<b>School District No. 57 (Prince George)</b>	Science Trips That Come To Us – pilot project - brings a hands on science program into an elementary school for preschool and grade one children. An attraction to bring more community pre-school children into the school.

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<b>Latino-Canadian Association of Northern BC (Prince George)</b>	Latino Kids Corner – a community pre-school program that promotes Spanish culture and literacy through games, stories, songs and dance.
<b>Prince George Public Library</b>	Active Parenting Program – a practical parenting program facilitated by trained library staff in two locations in Prince George throughout the year. This program also encourages parents to become familiar with the resources for infants and tots that are available in the library.
<b>Family YMCA (Prince George)</b>	Highland Childcare Project – purchase of tot furniture and equipment for a new 74 space community childcare centre.
<b>Grassypains Community Association</b>	Lending Library – Creation of a tot ECE toy and book lending library that will be accessible to the remote communities of Grassypains and Ootsa Lake.
<b>New Focus Society (Quesnel)</b>	Cariboo Early Learning Conference – a first time conference for ECE workers of the Cariboo to network and have a day of training sessions.
<b>Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy (Robson/ Canoe)</b>	Parents Reading Children Succeeding - a two day workshop to train instructors to teach parents a reading program to do with their children.
<b>Valemount Children Activity Society</b>	ECD Training - funding to allow two childcare workers to obtain their certificate so the community childcare centre could remain open.
<b>Northern Family Health Society (Prince George)</b>	Hand in Hand - A model of a previously funded program is being adapted. This program provides quality childcare while parents are in group counselling or treatment. The adaptation will also allow observation of tots who may be FASD and other cognitive learning issues.
Aboriginal Programs	Program Description
<b>North Cariboo Aboriginal Family Program Society (Quesnel)</b>	Mother Goose Facilitator Training Workshop – training Mother Goose Program facilitators so that mother Goose can be offered in Quesnel and surrounding communities.
<b>Kikino Métis Children and Family Services Society</b>	Child Minding Program – purchase of furniture, toys and equipment to set up a child care in-house facility for Métis and aboriginal parents who are in counselling or need supervised access to their children
<b>Prince George Dakelh Elders Society</b>	Elders Training Camp – Collecting information on traditional aboriginal customs and values and preparing the Elders to be presenters for cultural sharing on family and parenting
<b>Tlazt'en Nation Elders Society</b>	Little Heroes Books – using true life stories of aboriginal people to teach language and cultural practices to be used in preschools and by families.

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<b>Prince George Native Friendship Centre</b>	Aboriginal Children's Drum & Dance – a program for all children 0 to 6 that teaches pre-school skills through exposure to cultural drum and dance traditions.
<b>Quesnel Child, Youth &amp; Family Network</b>	Elder's Participation Start-Up Program – establishing a process and protocols for involving elders in early child development programs – identifying ways elders can contribute in a meaningful way.
<b>Francois Prince</b>	Aboriginal Colouring Book (phase 1) creation of an aboriginal colouring book in the Carrier language that can be used as a preschool teaching tool.
<b>University of Northern British Columbia Tot Program</b>	A contribution to the Powwow to assist in the running of a traditional dance program for tots during the Powwow. This is seen to increase interest of tots and their parents who are not involved in traditions such as dancing to get involved.
<b>Aboriginal Child – Parent Calendar</b>	A contribution to the Prince George Aboriginal Table's project of printing an Aboriginal child development calendar. The calendar will be distributed by several agencies and it is hoped to encourage parent – child interaction and increase the knowledge of early child development.