

Program

Agency Awareness and Connections Breakfast

Abbotsford ACCESS (Action-oriented Community Collaborative for Equitable Supports and Services) is a network of local partners and an initiative of the City of Abbotsford's Housing, Homelessness and Community Development team focused on addressing complex social issues with a multi-agency approach. Partners include government, community agencies, law enforcement and business.

Child and Youth Mental Health Day

Date: May 7, 2025

Time: 9:00 – 11:00am, *Doors open at 8:30am*

Location: Legacy Sports Centre Banquet Room

- **3270 Trethewey Street (for GPS navigation – enter off of TRETHERWEY STREET)**
- 4 32470 Haida Drive (mailing address)

8:30am Doors open, breakfast and informal networking

9:00am Welcome and Opening – Abbotsford Child and Youth Committee
Emcee: Eric VanEgmond, Director of Operations, Abbotsford Child Protection, Guardianship, Youth East Fraser Youth Justice, **Ministry of Children and Family Development**

9:05am Agency Updates

9:10am Networking Exercise

Presentations:

9:30am Creating Safer Environments for Abused Children, Tigger and Boxcar, **Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.)**

9:45am Services and Programs for Youth, Bev Olfert, Executive Director, **Abbotsford Youth Commission**

10:00am Mentoring Relationships, Katarina Bell, Team Lead and Mentoring Coordinator, **Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Fraser Valley**

10:15am Youth Programming, Dave Wiebe, Abbotsford Area Director, **Youth Unlimited**

10:30am Integrated Youth Services, Wanda Phillips, Supervisor Youth Services and Lisa Hedrick, Intake and Family Services Supervisor, **Youth Resource Centre, Archway Community Services**

10:45am Services for Children and Youth with Diverse Abilities, Wendy Bruzzese, Department Leader, Family Services and Amanda Weenk, Key Worker, **Fraser Valley Child Development Centre**

11:00am Event Conclusion

If you would like to connect with our speakers, please find your way to the speaker tables now.