



Cherie, Drew, and Charlie-Anne, Canuck Place family

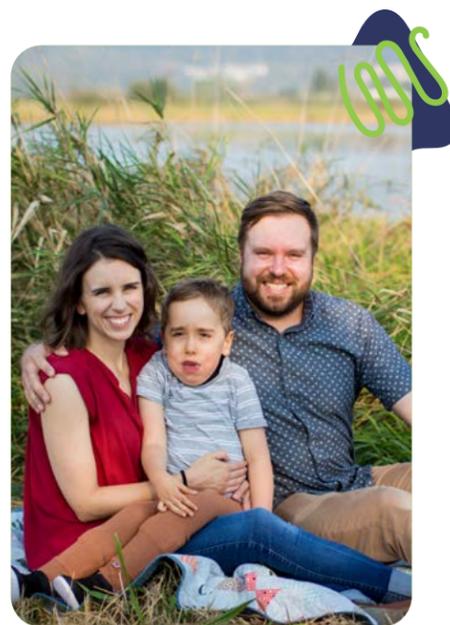
RUNNING AND ROLLING IN THE BMO MARATHON WITH CHARLIE-ANNE!

On May 1, Canuck Place family and team Charlie's Angels ran and rolled 21km in the BMO Vancouver Marathon to raise funds for Canuck Place. Charlie-Anne just turned thirteen and has been on the Canuck Place program since she was nine months old. Together, this incredible team raised an astonishing \$37,496. They were the top fundraising team for the BMO Vancouver Marathon, helping us raise a record-breaking event total of \$67,564.

SUMMER IN THE CITY

Summer in the City started as a way for Canuck Place children and families to be tourists in their own backyard. Every summer, the Canuck Place Recreation Therapy team organizes multi-day events in Vancouver, Kelowna, and Victoria. Children and families on program enjoy so many fun activities including adaptive kayaking, parasailing, dragon boat racing, and visiting a honey bee farm. Canuck Place kids have very specific needs and our amazing Recreation Therapists put together a detailed game plan and support system to ensure every activity is adapted to meet their physical abilities.

"Our team thrives off of being challenged and also the opportunity to deliver meaningful programs that meets the needs of our population. I personally love seeing joy, excitement, imagination, and creativity through a child's perspective," says Amy, Canuck Place Recreation Therapist.



Alisha, Emmett, and Josh Willms, Canuck Place Family

Your Chance to Win Big in 2022!

Spring 50/50 Raises \$413,920 jackpot!

The Canuck Place Spring 50/50 presented by Re/Max, raised \$413,920. Half of the proceeds supports exceptional care at Canuck Place and the other half goes to our lucky winner, Sydney Moses of Lower Nicola, BC. Congratulations Sydney!

Since the first draw in Fall 2020, the Canuck Place 50/50 has raised \$1,881,700 over five jackpots. Stay tuned for the next draw in Fall 2022.



CANUCK PLACE NURSES MEET FAMILIES WHEN AND WHERE THEY NEED IT

"The care we received at Canuck Place made Kolbi's last year and a half of his life brighter and manageable. Everyone going through losing a child needs care like we received at Canuck Place," says Jamey, Canuck Place Mom

When Kolbi Fraser was diagnosed with a brain tumour, his parents knew the best place for him was at home.

Kolbi had spent months in and out of the hospital, and his parents Nick and Jamey wanted him to be cared for in the comfort of his own home. The Fraser family received support from Canuck Place's Enhanced Community Care Program, where specialized nurses provide family-centred care through in-home visits, telephone and video conferencing, and our 24-Hour Clinical Care Line.

Canuck Place Nurse Practitioner, Rachel, was pivotal for the Fraser family's care—and continues to be.

"The care we received at

Canuck Place made Kolbi's last year and a half of his life brighter and manageable. I couldn't imagine not having our team to help us navigate the medical changes Kolbi went through as well as the emotional rollercoaster ride that came with them. Everyone going through losing a child needs care like we received at Canuck Place," says Jamey.

During home visits, Canuck Place nurses ensure families receive specialized care based on their individual needs. Rachel's visits included teaching Jamey and Nick how to insert Kolbi's catheter, managing Kolbi's pain, or even offering emotional support with cookies in hand.



3,073

outpatient consultations in-home, by phone or video, and in-hospital

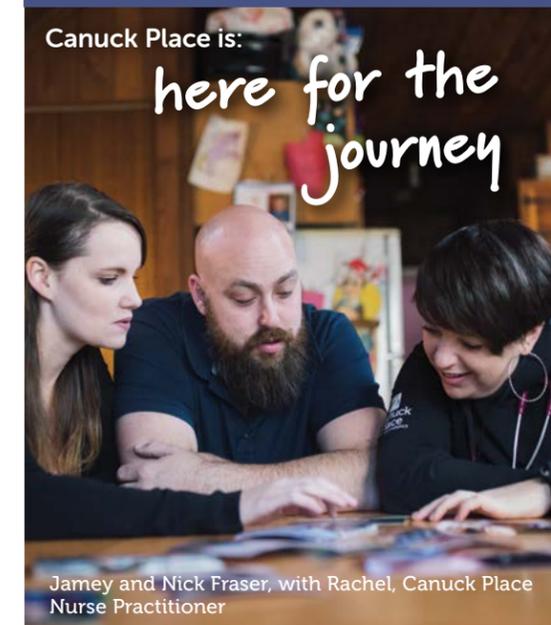
Canuck Place is grateful for you.



YOUR IMPACT | SUMMER 2022

Canuck Place is:

here for the journey



Jamey and Nick Fraser, with Rachel, Canuck Place Nurse Practitioner

But one of the most important things Rachel provided was empowerment. When the Frasers wanted to take Kolbi on a six-week camping trip across Canada, they felt empowered to do so, and with Rachel's help, they were able to create lasting memories.

Care looks different for each family, but one thing that remains consistent is that Canuck Place clinical team members, like Rachel, meet families where and when they need it.

DOUG AND SANDY'S LEGACY AT CANUCK PLACE

Canuck Place provides care to over 800 children and families across BC and the Yukon, and Doug Richardson knows firsthand how important the heart is to our well-being. Born with a heart defect that required open-heart surgery during childhood, Doug recalls the stress that his time in the hospital put on his family, who had to travel into Vancouver each day to care for him. "There was no place for kids like me at the time. And when your kid is sick like I was, it's so important for parents to have the kind of support that Canuck Place offers."

Doug and his wife Sandy have generously supported Canuck Place care since 2005, touching the lives of thousands of families dealing with the most unimaginable



Doug Richardson, Canuck Place legacy donor

circumstances. And now Doug and Sandy have proudly chosen to leave a gift in their Will, ensuring that compassionate, heart-centred care continues to be here for those who need it. Thank you, Doug and Sandy!

AWARD-WINNING MUSIC FOR CANUCK PLACE!

Fourteen-year-old, award winning musician, Rachel Wei hosted her fourth charity concert in support of Canuck Place this spring. With a goal of connecting communities through music, Rachel has raised over \$23,000 by playing not one, but three instruments: the piano, flute and violin.

Inspired by the healing powers of music, Rachel wanted to raise awareness and fundraise for Canuck Place's Music Therapy program to support the children and families who benefit from the emotional expression and connection that comes through music therapy. Thank you Rachel!



Rachel Wei, award-winning musician

TRAINING PHYSICIANS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

As the need for pediatric palliative care (PPC) increases globally, Canuck Place has become a leader in research and knowledge sharing. Canuck Place has an ongoing physician training program that sees 19 clinical trainees, residents, fellows, and physicians receiving PPC training annually.

Dr. Qutiabah Alotaibi has been a Pediatric Palliative Fellow at Canuck Place since October 2021, with the goal of establishing PPC care in the Middle East.

"I started the first in-hospital palliative unit in Kuwait and tried to run the unit as a general pediatrician. However, it was difficult to advance my skills safely and meet patients' needs. The knowledge and experience from Canuck Place will help me not only practice competently in the field but also help me,



Dr. Peter Louie, Canuck Place Physician, with Dr. Qutiabah Alotaibi, a pediatric palliative fellow, training at Canuck Place

hopefully, establish a program at a national level and assist others in the region as well."

The desire and clinical expertise to share best practices makes Canuck Place an ideal program for training physicians in Canada and from other parts of the world.

GIVING SHORT LIVES THE GIFT OF GREAT DAYS

Sawyer Jones was six weeks old when he underwent his first surgery after being diagnosed with congenital bilateral cataracts. But that was just the beginning of his journey with Canuck Place. Sawyer was then diagnosed with Huppke Brendel Syndrome, a life-threatening illness. After many weeks in the hospital, Sawyer's parents Crystal and Dave were introduced to Canuck Place, where they were supported with a family care plan which included caring for Sawyer at home. During one of their medical respite stays, Sawyer and his brothers Bentley and Landen, even took a ride in a Ford Model T. Because of the family's love of cars, the Jones family was honoured at this year's Classic & Contemporary Car Invitational, where the best in show trophy is lovingly named Sawyer's Cup celebrating Sawyer's bright light.



Dave Jones, Canuck Place Dad with his son Sawyer