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Hi Everyone:

The next meeting for CHHA Abbotsford Support Group is scheduled for April 15th, 2015 at 2313 Ware St., Abbotsford, BC. This will be held in the MSA Museum from 1-3 pm. Coffee and water and parking is free and there is a fee of \$25.00 for room rental. I applied to UFV and their room rental is in excess of our budget, pay parking and no free coffee or water. I hope this meets with everyone's approval and I look forward to seeing you on the *15th of April ... Jerry Gosling*

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The greatest danger for most of us is not that our aim is too high and we miss it but that it is too low and we reach it.

-Michelangelo

How to register for Text to 911

www.deafbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/How-to-Register-for-T911.pdf

Do you have Vision or Hearing Loss?

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO HAS?
COME TO THE 5th ANNUAL VISION / HEARING RESOURCES OPEN HOUSE
Ridge Meadows Seniors Activity Centre
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Saturday, March 28, 2015: 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

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Canadian Hard of Hearing Association BC Youth Peer Support Program

Contact Information

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TARGET DEMOGRAPHICS

Deaf and Hard of Hearing youth aged 13 to 19 (including students enrolled in post-secondary institutions up to age 23)

MISSION

To support D&HOH youth in their navigation of academic & social life in secondary and post-secondary institutions

SCOPE OF SERVICES FOR YOUTHS

A. 1:1 Peer Mentorship

Connect a youth with a suitable Young Adult Mentor based on interests and location.

Through the mentorship:

- Mentors will share their personal experiences in their educational journey, what challenges they faced, and strategies they used.
- Options of Skype/Face-Time sessions are available if in-person contact is not possible

B. Networking

Participate in mingling/social events (i.e. Games Night, Holiday Specials). Youth will have the opportunity to:

- Connect with their peers, interact with Young Adult Peer Mentors and other D&HOH adults
- Observe Young Adult Peer Mentors in modeling self-advocacy skills (i.e. captioning at movies; selective seating at restaurants)

C. Workshops

In partnership with other agencies, we provide educational workshops applicable to youth. During workshops, youth will be informed of available resources in B.C.. An example can be seen in our partnership with Post-Secondary Communication Access in offering "Transition to Post-Secondary".

D. Leadership Involvement

With guidance from Young Adult Peer Mentors, youth will learn to:

- Develop self-advocacy skills essential for success
- Understand their hearing loss, their accessibility needs, and be able to explain it to others.



Note: Program Coordinators are responsible for the supervision of Young Adult Peer Mentors. All of our Young Adult Peer Mentors have signed a Confidentiality Agreement as well as criminal record check clearance on file.