

A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & BOARD CHAIR

Looking back on the past year, we see great cause to celebrate; hundreds of youth came to us in search of safety and support and we were there to welcome them. With this report we look to provide you with a "view from the street" through a look at our work in 2012.

Last year we had the opportunity to celebrate our 20th anniversary and significant growth in our organization with new staff and volunteers to meet growing demand. We also established a bus pilot program in the Langley's. It has become a quick success.

Just as we ask the youth to challenge themselves, adapt to changing conditions, and move forward in a positive direction, PoCoMo continue to do the same.

We to take the right steps for our team, the youth we serve, and our communities by believing in our vision, our values, and the positive difference they make. We are excited to be moving forward with the identification of a new name for 2013, a name that reflects our growth into other communities.

PoCoMo Youth Services Society plays an irreplaceable role in the lives of youth in the Tri-Cities, and now in the Langley's.

Our commitment is to continue providing the kind of services that our youth need and the communities can be proud to support.

Jerome Bouvier, M.A. Executive Director
Karen Greenland Board Chair

Coming together is a beginning.
Keeping together is progress.
Working together is success
- Henry Ford

No Youth Is Left Behind



The Latest Trends on the Street

Through Project Reach Out, and our new Individual Case Worker (ICW) position, we have been able to identify the latest trends and challenges on the street as well as the barriers at-risk youth face and the percentage of youth we serve in each barrier category.

Trends and Challenges

- Increase in youth accessing outreach services
- Increase in youth accessing individual case worker
- Poly-drug use (alcohol, marijuana, cigarettes, ecstasy, etc.)
- Increase in basic needs (cloths, shoes, hygiene products)
- Mental health issues (depression, ADHD, anger)
- Increase in transient youth (couch surfing) and homelessness
- Shortage of short-term housing (emergency shelter)
- Increase in number of young female youth (age 14)
- Increase in sexual activity among younger youth
- Limited to no resources for youth outside of system care

Barriers

- Low Risk: no drug use, in school, bored, susceptible to mid & many (7%)
- Mid Risk: single parent family, low home support, potentially homeless, periodic school, social/recreational drug use, sexually active (40%)
- High Risk: street entrenched, mental health issues, full time drug use (+4x/week), homeless, family drug use, sexually exploited, high risk sexual behavior, involved in crime/vandalism (53%)



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There are 500 youth on the streets of the Tri Cities on any given night.



Report from the Street

Community Report 2012

Moving Toward Solutions

In the last year, PoCoMo has worked toward emphasizing a solution-based approach in addition to providing support. These were some of our priorities:

- Including youth feedback on new initiatives
- Create a new position – Individual Case Worker - SUCCESSFUL
- Implementing surveys for programs
- Strengthening community partnerships
- Established a youth Individual case worker
- Increasing referrals of youth to MCFD or other organizations relevant to their needs
- Collaborating with other youth-focused organizations

Stories from the Street

I don't really know what to say. I grew up with an alcoholic dad, and I used to feel like it was my fault. I had no one to talk to. Now I know that every Friday and Saturday I will have adults to talk to. I absolutley love PoCoMo and I wish the bus would be out everyday.
- Sara age 15

The biggest way bus staff has helped was getting me into detox and than into a recovery house after that, they called me all the time to see how I was if I was okay and for when we could go to meetings. I know I can ask her anything and she will know the answer or help me figure it out. – Ali, 14 years old

Moving Forward:

In the last year we have developed and implemented programs that provided opportunities for youth to develop self-esteem, confidence, grow as individuals, instill hope and have a stronger sense of belonging. Our resolve is to continue to develop our after-school programs with our community partners. A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO Sarina and the City of Port Coquitlam Youth Services whom we work with closely.



MCFD Minister Cadieux & MLA Douglas Horne on the teen bus.

Reach Out-Tri Cities:

Contacts: 1353 (3 months off the road)

- Male: 61%
- Female: 39%
- Average age: 14 years old

- 72% Caucasian
- 5% First Nations
- 23% Other

Over a year, we tracked and surveyed 40+ youth. These are some of our findings:

Reach Out- Langley's Pilot: (6 months)

Contacts: 453

- Male: 34%
- Female: 66%
- Average age: 15 years old

- 85% Caucasian
- 10% First Nations
- 5% other

Individual Case Worker:

Provided support to 40 youth – (6 months)

- 95% Female
- 5% Male



ON THE RISE

Programs to look for

I Am The Change:

Our 8-week program for schools explores change & transition served over 125 youth last year.

ACRiX:

PoCoMo provides youth worker support: ACRiX is an 8-week program offering gymnastics and circus arts. Its in the 4 year.

DeTour | Hip Hop:

In responding to what youth ask for, we created inclusive programs that incorporate theatre and dance as a medium for youth to express.

Youth Action Team

Our YAT bringing youth together to create activities & contribute to community and share their voice has over 60 ongoing members.

Fundraising Report

Community Report 2012

2012 Fundraisers and Events

Fun Day in the Park

In the summer, we held our Fun Day in the Park at Lions Park in Port Coquitlam in partnership with PoCoMo Youth Services. It was another success bringing many children, youth, and families together to play games and enjoy a BBQ.

An Evening of Inspiration

In October of 2012, PoCoMo launched its 1st annual signature event, An Evening of Inspiration. A special thank you to John Craighead, Jasmin Glaesser, Brittney and Mercedes for their inspiring stories. Over 200 people came out to support the event and we raised over \$16,000. A HUGE SHOUT OUT TO THE RED ROBINSON for being our host sponsor.



2nd ANNUAL EVENING of INSPIRATION
OCTOBER 24, 2013 @ Red Robinson Theatre.

Financials and Fund Development

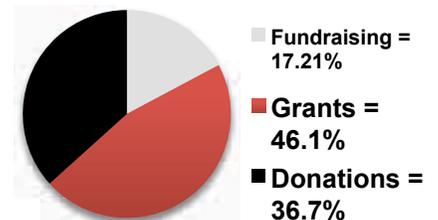


We would like to send a huge shout out to Gregory & Associates. David and his team continue to be an invaluable source of support for PoCoMo. Their contributions have helped guide PoCoMo along our financial journey.

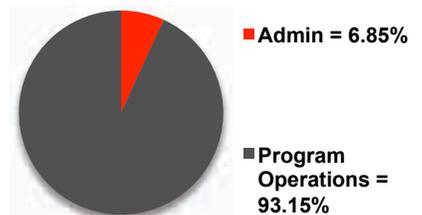
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Without secure or ongoing funding, PoCoMo continues to rely solely on grants, donors, and community support.

REVENUE



EXPENDITURES



Brittney sharing her story



Blue Mtn Quilters Guide Donates



PoCoMo Collect food for SHARE



John Craighead- Keynote
Evening of Inspiration

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“We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.”

Franklin Delano Roosevelt

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Intact Foundation- \$15,000

We sincerely thank everyone who supported PoCoMo in 2012 with in kind donations and financial assistance. We would not be able to be out on the streets without the support of our community.

HELP MOVE THAT BUS!!!!

For about .66c a day (\$20 a month) you can provide local teens with:

- Contact to an outreach worker | counselling
- Drug education
- Sexual health education
- Basic needs (cloths, food, hygiene products)
- A safe place after hours

YOU can help create a more sustainable future for our much needed outreach programs. This type of support is invaluable to our long-term future. Go to www.CanadaHelps.org or through PoCoMo's web site to donate.