

We Invite Your Involvement and Support in Creating ...

Compassionate Children – Caring Community
A Community Based, Community Guided Initiative

Imagine a neighbourhood where all children feel safe, seen, cared for and encouraged to become *compassionate, cooperative and confident*. Imagine growing up among neighbours, schools, community centers, businesses, sports and recreation organizations, health centres, community police, social services, faith organizations and others whose values of kindness, compassion, and respect are the foundation for all relationships.

We invite you to join us to make this dream a reality – right here in our community:

12:30 – 4:30
Friday, February 17
Templeton Secondary School
727 Templeton Drive, Vancouver



During this dynamic afternoon session educators, business leaders, program and service providers, faith leaders, parents, youth and other community stakeholders will explore how they can best encourage young people to develop as *compassionate, confident and cooperative* individuals. This event is part of an ongoing appreciative inquiry change process within the community that is:

- Community-based and community-wide in scope;
- Inclusive, meaningful and engaging for all who participate;
- Supported by the most highly recognized, current and relevant research and practical knowledge available

Background on the Appreciative Inquiry

Over the past year Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House has been collaborating with the Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education* and Simon Fraser University's Dr. Gervase Bushe in designing and implementing the "Compassionate Children, Caring Community Inquiry" which is intended to engage parents, grandparents, children, youth and key stakeholders in a change process focusing on the social and emotional learning and development of young people in their families and community. To date, over one thousand parents, children and youth have shared their stories and aspirations – a remarkable foundation of involvement. Now is a critically important time for engaging all other key influences in the children's everyday life. Together we will generate awareness, knowledge, interconnectedness, commitment, innovation and positive change. We hope you can join us.

For more information...

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To register....

Please contact Eva Aboud by email eva@froghollow.bc.ca or phone **604-251-1225**.

*The Dalai Lama Center for Peace and Education is a secular, non-political organization based in Vancouver and dedicated to educating the heart of humanity and fostering compassion through creative learning, facilitating and applying research, and connecting people and ideas.
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