# Let's Ride Together on October 5th



We're thrilled to be gearing up to participate in the Ride for Refuge for the fifth year!! This year we are again blessed by a donor willing to double any gift of \$100 or more (up to \$10,000)!

### **Our Community Riders**

We love the Ride for many reasons. One is the fact that our community rides with us every year. The Ride gives them a chance to give back by fundraising for the programs that support them.

Our participants have all created profiles to share how Inner Hope has impacted them. Take a look online!

Help us lower costs and environmental impact by

switching to email updates! Just send us a note

GO PAPERLESS

at office@innerhope.ca

If you would like to support Inner Hope's community this year, check out the:

- Boundless Bikers (a team of youth in the life-skills program and their mentors)
- Post-Secondary Power (young) adults and their mentors)
- Homegrown Heroes (the residents from The Home and support staff)

#### On October 5th...

Inner Hope is seeking to the cost of our housing, life skills & community life programs.





raise \$40,000 towards

Sponsor a person or team at rideforrefuge.org/ innerhope

### JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM!

Prayer is one of the most powerful ways ways you can support us. To receive our monthly prayer letters, visit: www.innerhope.ca/pray

Inner Hope Youth Ministries' mission is to walk alongside youth and families in East Vancouver nurturing hope, belonging and transformation through support, discipleship, life skills, and housing.



#### HOPE THROUGH RELATIONSHIPS Fall 2019 NEWSLETTER

# ROOT ROOT FOR THE HOME TEAM!



This summer was a whirlwind in The Home! Our new House Parents, Francis and Georgia, have been loving it. Since they began in August, they've shared dinner with the Boundless youth, taken a Whistler trip with residents, and enjoyed the fruits of a volunteer group from City Life Church cleaning the back garden and deck.

A highlight for Francis and Georgia was having family visit. One of the residents had his two brothers visit and another's mother stayed with them for a few days. She was even able to come to Whistler with them! She had a blast with her son which was beautiful to witness.

Another highlight is the resilience that they can see in one of the residents who struggles with anxiety. Recently, they've been able to see him visibly calm himself when he's upset. This is such an encouragement to them!



Nicole, our Housing Support Worker (pictured above with her godson), says when she thinks of The Home she thinks "community." The young men in The Home have bonded so well that while it used to be difficult to get them together, now it's hard to get them apart. God is doing wonders and it's awesome to see.

# Growing Culture in The Home



We are thrilled that John and Jenn John brings experience as a 60's Johnstone are beginning their role as cultural mentors. With this role we hope to enhance cultural

engagement at Inner Hope especially in The Home. John and Jenn will be having monthly meals with the residents in The Home and will be facilitating First Nations cultural activities.

scoop survivor, President of the Lower Mainland Aboriginal Society, and Indigenous liaison

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with Multiply (the MB churchplanting network). Jenn (also with Multiply) has years of experience navigating cross-cultural relationships.

We are excited to see how God will use John and Jenn to help our youth embrace who God created them to be.

#### WHAT'S INSIDE:

Summer Highlights, Launching into Fall 🥆



# PRAISE GOD FOR A GLORIOUS SUMMER!!

# SUMMER CAMPS & RETREATS

This year camp was awesome!
68 community members
(children, youth and parents)
had the opportunity to attend
Qwanoes. They had a blast! Many
encountered the Lord and some
made faith commitments!

Summer retreats were also great! 9 young adults attended a Qwanoes Retreat in May. 15 youth attended the Waymaker retreat, a partnership between InterAct Ministries and North American Indigenous Ministries.

## CAMPING TRIPS

#### **Boundless:**

Mark, Donny, 19 youth, and several mentors had a great trip! Not only did the youth love the lake, they also enjoyed campfires and amazing food. Mark led the group in discipleship through storytelling, as well as a cooking and cleaning workshop.

#### Post Secondary:

A highlight of the young adults' summer is their annual camping trip. This year 11 individuals enjoyed time together, and with God, at Golden Ears.

## COMMUNITY BBQ

This August event was all about family! Boundless youth brought family that we hadn't met, a father spent time with his children who are in foster care, and three generations of a family enjoyed time together. For activities, a young man coming from a recovery centre brought a friend who led team-building activities and a young lady from the Post Secondary program did face-painting. Shout-out to Peace Church on 52nd for their wonderful job on lunch! The food was delicious.



### REBEL

After two years of undergrad at Langara and a few years off, Rebel is attending TWU to finish a degree in Kinesiology.

She told us,

"I'm really looking forward to seeing how science and faith come together."

The new semester brings great things here at Inner Hope!

Launching into the Fall

We have several members of community beginning their Post-Secondary studies. This is a vital step and is one to truly celebrate – as it is rare in our circles.

We are proud of our students starting at: Trinity Western University, Pacific Life Bible College, Capernwray Bible College in Sweden, the BC Institute of Technology and Simon Fraser University this fall. Praise God for open doors and bright futures!



### YVON

After completing high school upgrading this summer, Yvon has taken the big step to begin a Bachelor of Biblical Studies at PLBC. He has a heart to learn the Bible so that he can minister to those from his backgound who are struggling on the streets and in addiction.

# HIGHLIGHTS



- Children loving daycamp with Reality Church
- Youth enjoy some intense summer basketball
- This game was a hit at our Community BBQ



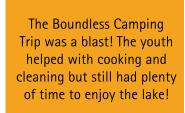


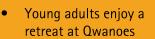












- Jenny speaks at our grad celebration
- Some of our youth receive awrds at St.
   Regis Secondary School





# A HEART FOR PARENTS

Exciting news! Kayla, a mother who has served on our advisory committee for several years, is starting a meetup group for parents this month.

The purpose of this group is to provide peer support, encouragement, and prayer for parents in our community. The group will be meeting weekly at The House (our community space).

We are so grateful for Kayla and her vision for her peers. Parents are vital to the Inner Hope community, and their stability is essential to seeing our youth thrive. We are honoured to be helping facilitate this extra support for them.

Please pray that long-lasting friendships would form through this group and that the parents and children would grow and thrive as they journey together.

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works"

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Kayla and her family enjoying The Ride for Refuge in 2018.