

An invaluable partnership

We want to highlight an invaluable partner of ours this summer.

You may not know this, but since we gained charity status in 2008,



CanadaHelps has facilitated our online donation platform. For years, our online fundraisers and donations by credit card have been processed through them.

A demonstration of their exceptional support was a recent personal visit from one of their senior managers, Lucas Freose, to see how they could better support a grassroots charity like ours.

We are thankful for their support

which has allowed us to grow into a thriving charity and their ongoing commitment to seeing charities and non-profits across Canada succeed.

NEW!

Thanks to our online donation partner CanadaHelps, we now accept donations of securities and mutual funds!

Check it out at innerhope.ca!



The Ride for Hope



From August 5th to 15th, good friends of Inner Hope, Marlene Affleck and Doris Olafsen, will be jumping on their bikes and tackling the Canadian Camino. This 700 km adventure around Prince Edward Island is to mark the 5th & 10th anniversaries of Doris' husband Ray & Marlene's husband John's promotion to heaven.

To honor their husbands' legacy, these two inspiring and determined women are challenging themselves by being intentional in raising awareness and funding. Their inspirational fundraising goal is \$100,000. Funds raised will be shared equally with two organizations close to their hearts.

Inner Hope Youth Ministries is grateful to have been chosen along with the Investing Hope



Foundation in Colombia. John Affleck mentored Jenny in the early days when she was helping to launch Inner Hope and Ray Olafsen helped launch the Investing Hope Foundation by serving on their inaugural board of directors.

The Investing Hope Foundation provides low-income youth, adults and faith-based communities with relevant economic tools and training to help them thrive economically and spiritually. They currently work with 3500 young people in Youth Entrepreneurship and Savings Clubs and over 1000 adults in the Groups for Entrepreneurship and Maximizing Savings.

We are privileged to be a part of Marlene and Doris' "Ride for Hope" this summer. We invite you to follow along on their journey. If you would like to join their



"joyful living joyful giving" calling, you can donate by following us on Facebook - we will be posting regular updates on their philanthropic adventure.

Summer Events

- Junior High camp at Qwanoes
July 2-8
- Post-secondary camping trip
July 5-7
- New Beginnings daycamp
July 11-15
- Juniors camp at Qwanoes
July 17-22
- Boundless camping trip
July 26-29
- Reality daycamp
August 2-5
- Youth Camp at Qwanoes
August 28-Sep 3



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What moves you? Join us Saturday, October 1, 2022 for our annual family-friendly bike + walk fundraiser with our community!

This year all of our funds are going towards "The Home" - our family-style home for youth and young adults who desire stability and support growing the life skills they need for adulthood.

We are looking for Team Captains, Riders, Walkers and Volunteers. Check out rideforrefuge.org/innerhope or email dara@innerhope.ca to learn more!



JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM!

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

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

- support
 - discipleship
 - life skills
 - housing
- nurturing community and loving youth, young adults and their families in practical ways providing opportunities for youth, young adults and their families to grow in their relationship with the creator journeying alongside youth and young adults while nurturing the development of skills needed to build their futures offering a safe, stable and supportive home for youth, young adults and their children

WHAT'S INSIDE

Celebrating the grads of 2022 with the community!



June was a month of celebration at Inner Hope – culminating with our annual grad BBQ on June 22nd.

Together with our staff team, mentors and their families, John Johnstone led us in a blanketing ceremony of our graduates. This ceremony is an intentional way to gather and is the highest honour given in the Coast Salish communities. It was well deserved because our youth have put in an enormous amount of work to achieve this milestone. They really beat the odds to get to this day as graduation rates among Indigenous learners in our community are still low (49% in 2021).

As a grandmother shared during the ceremony, this year's youth are being sent out with a strong foundation and a community that surrounds and supports them as they embark on this next chapter in their journey.

It is our hope that the words from our youth's families and friends, highlighting their unique and wonderful gifts given by our Creator God will guide each graduate as they continue their journey into adulthood.

Thank you for supporting this strong community – your love brought us to this day.

Congratulations, Class of 2022!



Has a strong commitment to her dreams and works hard to make them a reality. Is wanting to pursue a business degree and is exploring her options for that.



Has a heart for business and entrepreneurship to make social change. Was just accepted into TWU.



Loyal and willing to fight for the people she loves. She has a zest for life and takes joy in the little things. Plans to work for a year before exploring her options.



Has a strong love for family and great friendships in the community. Respectful and kind. Loves to swim and dance. She is upgrading courses in the fall.



Dynamic and committed, he has a huge love for his family. He was just accepted into TWU and wants to become a nurse.



He is resilient, courageous and bright and a great role model for his younger sibling. He shows them what it's like to be family. He wants to pursue civil drafting.



Patient, kind and resilient. He is consistently kind to those around him and courageously pursues his goals. He is wants to apply to film/music school.



Every single place he goes people want to talk to him. He has a strong, inclusive presence. He is pursuing psychology at Douglas College.



Huge love for family and friends. A wonderful determination to get through high school. He wants to learn traditional art carving.



She has a true enthusiasm for life and her plans. She was just accepted into SFU.



Has incredible resilience and perseverance. The obstacles he has overcome to get to this day would amaze you. Plans to explore his options for trades.



Loves her community and is determined to pursue her plans for her future. Loves the sciences. Is taking a gap year before exploring nursing.

All month our community has been celebrating their youth. We were so honoured to be able to facilitate even a small part of this celebration.

Here are some pictures from the MANY family celebrations held this month.

