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Good lives in welcoming communities.

**Information about
Community Living BC
supports and services**



What is CLBC?

- CLBC means Community Living British Columbia
- CLBC is supported by money from the BC Ministry of Housing and Social Development
- CLBC was started by individuals and families who wanted a special agency to help people with developmental disabilities with their unique needs.

If you are an adult with developmental disabilities, or an adult with a diagnosis of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder or Autism Spectrum Disorder and you have a hard time doing things like managing money and shopping, CLBC can help you enjoy a good life and give you more choices for work, a place to live and community activities.

What does CLBC do?

CLBC works to build communities where you can feel safe and welcome. Feeling safe and welcome can mean having a good job, a comfortable and safe place to live, and the chance to make friends in the community where you live.





How does CLBC support people with developmental disabilities?

There are two ways you can get help from CLBC:

- 1.** You can pay for services directly using money you receive from CLBC.
- 2.** Or you can get support from organizations that receive money directly from CLBC to provide services to individuals and their families.



Who can get CLBC services?

You can get help from CLBC if:

1. You are over age 19 and you have a developmental disability that started before you turned age 18.
2. Or if you are over age 19 and you have a diagnosis of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder or Autism Spectrum Disorder, and have a very hard time doing things on your own like shopping and managing money.

CLBC uses special tests to decide who can get CLBC support. Facilitators can provide more information to you and your family about these tests.



What is the role of a CLBC Facilitator?

CLBC facilitators are the people you meet when you are looking for services from CLBC. Facilitators can give you information and advice. They can listen to your concerns or you can tell them about what services you think you might need. They can also help you solve problems, connect with community services, write a personal plan or get services. A personal plan usually includes CLBC services and other community supports like social clubs, recreation programs, work, volunteering and hobbies.

What types of supports and services does CLBC provide?

CLBC pays for supports and services that eligible adults and their families can buy directly or access through service providers or agencies.

With either option, supports can include:

- Learning new skills that help you achieve your goals
- Support for work or other activities so you can be active in your community
- Help for living in community
- Connecting with special supports and services
- Making friends and being a part of life in your community

How does CLBC work to build communities where people can feel safe and welcome?

CLBC helps build communities where people feel that they belong by sharing information about the needs of people with developmental disabilities, and how they can play a part in their communities. CLBC's "Start with Hi" project is one example of how we encourage communities to welcome everyone. Start with Hi encourages everyone to make people with developmental disabilities feel safe and included in their communities through small acts, like saying hello.

www.startwithhi.ca

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