



WESTSIDE YOUTH CENTRE BGC OKANAGAN



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Drop-in Programs 12-19yrs
M-F 3:00-8:00pm

***Closed Weekends and Holidays**

The Westside Youth Centre's drop-in programs and special events are geared toward youth. The centre offers free supervised drop-in activities five days per week. The Westside Youth Centre is open from 3:00-8:00pm Monday-Friday. **Activities include:**

- Free afternoon snacks and dinner M-F
- Pool, video games, computers and internet access
- Movies, music and board games
- Structured life skills, employment and education support, leadership and arts programming
- Recreation out-trips to local parks with games and snacks

Creative Arts

If you have been inside our Club, you've seen how creative and incredibly talented West Kelowna youth are. Their art is displayed with pride throughout our Centre. We are always offering opportunities for youth to engage in creative activities such as tie-dye, painting, crafts, and more.

Life Skills Training

To help youth become healthy, successful, and contributing members of society, we offer many life skills training opportunities for youth. This includes volunteer and leadership opportunities, employment, and education support.

For registration or more information on programming www.bgco.ca/forms

Raise the Grade supported by RBC Future Launch
Planning for your future? Ages 14+? We can help!

- Get study tips & homework help from mentors & tutors
 - Build skills & share your hobbies & interests with friends
 - Set goals & plan for college or university
 - Work with Club staff to help you get where you want to go
- Group, one-on-one and virtual support offered!
Westside Youth Centre drop-in sessions are Fridays from 3:00-6:00pm. Call/Text **Caitlin @ 250-258-4913** for details.

Youth Leadership

Youth Leadership within the Club helps youth develop employment skills and become confident leaders in their community. The Westside Youth Centre provides several opportunities for youth to build leadership skills including volunteer opportunities, youth-led activities and projects and our Youth in Residence Peer Support Program. Youth who are interested in being a part of the Youth in Residence Program can contact staff to learn more.

Youth & Family Services

Free! **Reconnect** 13-18yrs
Reconnect program provides short-term services to youth including parent/teen mediation, advocacy for youth that are homeless or at-risk of homelessness, alcohol and drug referrals, one-on-one support, hygiene and contraceptive education and products. This program is free of charge. Please email **gsimms@bgco.ca; vschermel@bgco.ca** or **mlea@bgco.ca** for services.

Volunteer Opportunities

Want to make a difference? If you have a special talent or simply want to make a difference in a child's life, contact the BGC Okanagan to be a volunteer. We need: **youth and children's mentors, program volunteers and special needs assistants.**
Visit www.bgco.ca to volunteer.