# Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative

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#### **Orientation Overview**

- 1. About the <u>Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative</u>:
  - a. History
  - b. Vision & Mission
  - c. Guiding Principles
- 2. Who? Read about participation.
- 3. What?
  - a. Overview of <u>two Initiatives</u>; The Building Connections for Valley Families Project, & the Comox Valley Community Child Care Advisory.
  - b. Research partnerships with UBC's Human Early Learning Partnership.
  - c. Collective Impact Work- Comox Valley Poverty Reduction participant.
  - d. Networking, Information sharing, and connections.
  - e. Communication methods.
- 4. Where/When? View the meeting calendar.
- 5. How?
  - a. 2022-2025 Strategic Plan.
  - b. Participant input & feedback.
- 6. Getting up to speed. Review the <u>Guiding Documents, Key Messages, &</u> <u>Communication Plan.</u>
- 7. About you/your organization:
  - a. What do you want to gain from participation?
  - b. Interest areas, special skills?
  - c. Themes, gaps, barriers- what is your experience?

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## **Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative**



### VISION

We share a vision where all children and families are supported and thrive in the Comox Valley.

#### MISSION

We collectively engage, educate, and inform our communities to enhance early years supports and services for children from conception to age 8, their families and the Comox Valley.

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#### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

**Connectedness:** We value connectedness, so we will strive to collaborate through strong and supportive relationships with each other (professionally) and each service (organizationally) to create a growing web of care around families.

**Truth & Reconciliation:** We value the work to advance truth and reconciliation, so we acknowledge our responsibility to decolonize spaces, structures, and processes to contribute to a more just, equitable and decolonized future.

**Diversity:** We value diversity, so we will include many perspectives by fostering a spirit of openness and appreciation.

**Respect:** We value respect, so we will support each other, value each other's expertise and intentionally be culturally aware. Our interactions will be reflective, well-considered, and fun, and they will inspire a feeling of commitment to the Collaborative.

**Systems Change:** We value systems change, so we will embrace innovative, creative, and insightful approaches to change using child and family-focused knowledge. We are committed to generative conversations that lead to action.