

Comments from families:

"You gave me a chance to talk through my feelings and I needed that."

"Thank you so much for being here. You made it so our voices were heard and helped us feel safe."

Our Services

We offer free, respectful, non-judgmental, and strengths-based services.

"Let us put our minds together and see what life we can make for our children."

- Sitting Bull

Feedback

- We value your comments! Please tell your worker what you find helpful about Collaborative Planning and if there are any changes you think we should make.
- Your participation is completely voluntary and your responses will be kept anonymous and confidential.

Our Mission

The John Howard Society of North Island is a charitable organization whose mission is to provide programs and support to help children, youth, adults, and families lead safer and healthier lives.

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The John Howard Society of North Island's programs are situated in the unceded territories of the Kwakwaka'wakw, Laich-kwil-tach, Nuu-chah-nulth, and Coast Salish peoples.

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Collaborative Planning Program





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Collaborative Planning Values

- Youth-centred and strengths-based
- Enhancing youth voices within services
- Connection focused to reduce barriers for youth
- Family ties are important and should be preserved where possible

We Can Offer . . .

- Support for youth navigating complex systems
- Help with making transition plans
- Help with navigation and communication
- Help with staying connected to your supports
- Ongoing support after age 19

Collaborative Planning services are funded by the Ministry of Children and Family Development. There is no cost to clients.

Testimonial

"The program is truly youthcentered and client-driven which is a very refreshing and empowering experience for young people transitioning into adulthood. It is also very strengths-focused, and I have witnessed youth feeling validated and proud of what they have achieved so far and confident in their abilities to make good decisions. Youth feel supported by the program coordinator who walks beside them and enables them to be in charge of their lives, make their own decisions, and decide for themselves who will support them and how that will be done."

- Community Partner



Youth Transition Conference (YTC)

Youth Transition Conference (YTC) is a youth-led meeting that helps to create a support network for youth as they approach adulthood and exit from MCFD care or a Youth Agreement.

YTC helps to identify the people in a youth's life who will be there to support them after their 19th birthday. It may also help the youth identify and plan for future goals.

YTC can happen every month to every few months to support the youth as they move towards transition from care.

Program Outcomes

In 2023-2024:

- The program facilitated 74 Youth Transition Conferences with youth from care, families, social workers, schools, and partner agencies.
- This helped youth understand and participate in the process of transitioning from MCFD care.