



IMPACT

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In 1994, author Jim Collins coined the term, “Big Hairy Audacious Goal (BHAG)” in his book, *Built to Last: Successful Habits of Visionary Companies*. BHAG is a clear and compelling target for which an organization strives.

Although Adult & Teen Challenge isn't a retail business, we are no different when setting a visionary goal. Five years ago, we created several statements as part of our own ministry BHAG. Our goal was to “Make Addiction History”, being the leader in addiction recovery. We wanted Adult & Teen Challenge BC to be top of mind when someone is looking for long term restoration. In addition, the voice and expertise of our ministry would have a seat at every table of influence where vital decisions are being made about addiction recovery in the public and private sectors. Thankfully, we have gained traction in many of these areas. The success and integrity of our one-year program is becoming very well known, in the community, in churches, and in the social service sector. We have been invited to various tables of discussion in municipal and provincial circles; as its well recognized that we are a valued collaborative partner in the solutions that are needed to establish new standards of care, bringing freedom from addiction, and giving a future and a hope to countless men, women, and

their families. It is not simply Adult & Teen Challenge at those discussions, it is Jesus Himself making a way for the lost.

This year we have continued sharing the stories of the men and women we help at Adult & Teen Challenge. It is undeniable that an **IMPACT for Life** is being made. This is happening through our 3 long-term live-in restoration centres, 2 Community Care offices and 5 aftercare/staff houses. We are continuing our pursuit to “Make Addiction History” year after year. Our level of excellence is for all to experience – students, graduates, leaders in training, staff, volunteers, and those whose lives we touch in the community. We are constantly working toward removing barriers for intake, having proficient & empowered staff, getting outside the walls of our centres and into the community, passing the Adult & Teen Challenge DNA to the next generations of leaders.

IMPACT for Life is ALL about partnering with God in His Kingdom plans – to set the captives free. JOIN Adult & Teen Challenge this fall in realizing the goals that make this possible.

Janalyn Oige,
Executive Director

Adult & Teen Challenge North America is now making another BHAG that is called Harvest 2025. Hold your smartphone camera over the QR code to watch the video regarding the Harvest 2025. This video presents a clear focus for the future and allows you to envision a future where addiction is history.



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Dylan | Chilliwack Men's Centre

I'm so happy to be sharing this update at such a monumental time. Recently, my wife was scheduled for a C-section for the birth of our second child. God has re-united my family and we are so blessed to be welcoming our daughter into the world. With the seventh month of my program ending, and another five ahead of me, I'm astounded by the change God has begun in my life. As any parent understands, it is one of my biggest struggles to be away from my family at such a special time. But God is so good and continues to pour out His strength into both mine and my wife's daily walk. We continue to ask for your daily prayers for strength and patience as my wife Yuliya both deal with living apart.

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Emily | Surrey Women's Centre

I've completed my first year at Adult & Teen Challenge BC. In October, I will begin the "SURGE" program as a second-year student! I cannot wait to see what God will do in my life in the next year and a half.

I have learned to surrender my will to God, and to be obedient to His will, even when it doesn't feel good. In fact, it can feel pretty painful sometimes! I have learned to listen to others by seeing things from their perspective, instead of being wrapped up in my own misery or sense of entitlement. I have learned to be a leader, and a good servant. But most of all, in this year I have learned who I am. I came in filled with shame about who I was and what I'd done in the past, and now I can confidently say that I am treasured, valued, and important, despite my past. Every day I fall deeper in love with my Christ.

"Thank you that my thoughts always return to thoughts of You."



Paul | Okanagan Men's Centre

During the daytime, there is work detail or class to distract oneself, but at nighttime, I reflect on a recent job offer I got. The money would help get things back on track. I miss my four children.

While I reflect on the offer, I thoughtlessly reach behind my head towards a bookshelf and pull down a book. It just so happens to be The Message. I open randomly; I must read or something to get my mind off things. Randomly again, I scan the page that is opened. The book of James 1: 3-4, "You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its colors, so don't try to get out of anything prematurely."

Thank you, Lord, that I have a safe place to be while I grow in faith and thank you for providing so lavishly for my children while I do it. Thank you that my thoughts always return to thoughts of You, no matter how hopeless things sometimes seem. I turn my bedside light off and roll over. My thoughts are of Peter, stepping out of the boat, except it's me, and I don't sink, my eyes are on You.

Congratulations to our Sept 25 Graduates

Kerry and Tony from the Okanagan Men's Centre & Stephen from the Chilliwack Men's Centre.

Emily and Candace are graduating on October 22!



Williams Lake Community Office

We welcome our new Community Outreach & Office Manager, Danene Goulet. She starts Oct 4th and will be working in the Grace Space Boutique as well as helping people who are suffering in addiction find freedom. Whether it be finding them a spot in one of our 3 live-in long-term programs or going through the Breaking Free from Addiction material, one on one or in a group. Danene has previously been a Program Manager in a women's centre and is well versed in the Adult & Teen Challenge program.

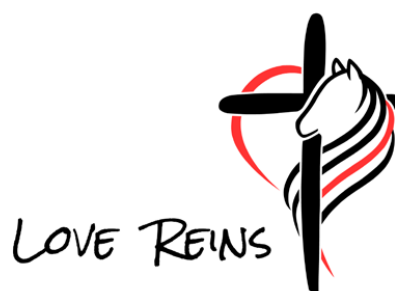
Our Open Houses were a hit!

Thanks so much to everyone that attended our Open Houses! Many people came, there was great fellowship, amazing food, tours, students showcasing their social enterprise endeavors, and sharing the real fruit of being in the program —transformation. Chilliwack Mayor Ken Popove and City of Surrey Councillor Laurie Guerra gave inspiring messages, expressing gratitude for the anticipated community impact. In the Okanagan, everyone enjoyed the Bouncy Castle, live music, and evidence of God's transforming work.

Urgent Need

A portable building on site for our Surrey Woman's Centre social enterprise workshop (See next page) Please contact us if you are interested in donating:

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There's something to be said about the connections that happen at Love Reins. Everyone there gets blessed! Over 300 children have been changed by the gentle beauty and unconditional love they experience with horses. Kids have gathered to learn about Jesus and His love for them. The students and families of the Okanagan Men's Centre have experienced the joy of feeling free to be themselves, in a place that's safe and secure. When people (and horses) walk alongside each other, connections are made, and lives are healed.



Our volunteers help our students in countless ways

Patricia comes faithfully each Friday to make lunch and dinner for the men at the Okanagan Men's Centre. Her warm smile and servant's heart encourages the men and brightens the centre.

Pat loves to give a helping hand wherever is needed at the Chilliwack Men's Centre. He's played worship music, mentored the men, and loved using his organizational skills. What a blessing!

Rhonda has faithfully volunteered for over 9 years. She comes weekly to help the kitchen lead menu plan and prepare meals. She's helped the women grow and become confident in their culinary skills.

We're busy and blessed

The women make aprons, stuffed animals, bracelets, lip balms, and jam for church outreaches. We're launching *Blessed Essentials* artisan products at the upcoming IMPACT for life Choir Tour. (Fabric, old clothes, sheets needed)

Don't miss the Chilliwack Men's Centre Fire and Ice Pickles! Our fruit jams are also sold at local weekend markets. 399 chickens (and more nutritious eggs) are on their way!

Ecotex has blessed the Okanagan Men's Centre with steady work laundering hospital linens. ATC Landscaping is seeking weekly or one time maintenance & landscaping projects.



IMPACT *for life*
PLAN PREPARE BUILD

YES, our Choir Tour is back!

This year our theme is **IMPACT for life**

Choir tour will be in Williams Lake, Surrey and Kelowna

Oct 30 to Nov 13 (Details coming soon on our website).



LIKE US ON FACEBOOK and stay on top of what's new at all of our centres. We use our wall for encouraging scriptures, outreach meeting notes, pictures, updates for upcoming events and grads, and a general place of encouragement for graduates and supporters. Check it out and become a part of the Teen Challenge community! [Facebook.com/atcsbc](https://www.facebook.com/atcsbc)