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DESCRIPTION:

Alisa's Wish CYAC is a program of Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Services. **Alisa's Wish Child and Youth Advocacy Centre** began development in 2011 (feasibility study), and creation of a Task Force (2012). With Department of Justice's Policy Centre for Victim Issues funding starting in 2012, and augmented by 1 provincial Civil Forfeiture grant support, the Steering Committee was able to develop a terms of reference between the partners. This work continued with development of: processes, protocols, forms, agreements, evaluation and reporting mechanisms, etc. with a view to ensuring the protection of clients, a service delivery model best suited to our partners and our communities. Alisa's Wish is the first BC CYAC to have signed Memorandum of Understanding and Partnership Agreements (June 2016). The implementation of a Pilot Project, showed our first on-site cases coming through the doors in July 2013; In April 2016, it was decided that Alisa's Wish Child and Youth Advocacy Centre would become a program of MRPM Community Services, continuing to provide services through our collaboration of Multi- Disciplinary Community Partners: Ridge Meadows RCMP, Ministry of Children and Family Development, ACT 2 Child and Family Services, Cythera Transition House Society, School District 42, Community-Based Victim Services, RCMP Police-Based Victim Services. In 2017, the CYAC embedded both the part time Child Youth Advocate

and our Community Based Victim Service Work on site; MCFD and RCMP come on site as cases arise. Our Operational MDT and Clinical MDT meet monthly , conducting case review and; (weekly) teleconferencing for rapid access to services. Alisa's Wish sees between 75-80 files each year, serving child and youth ages 18 years and younger who have been victims and/or witness to violence, and their non-offending family members.

MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM (MDT) includes:

- Ridge Meadows RCMP
- Ministry of Children and Family Development
- ACT 2 Child and Family Services
- Cythera Transition House Society
- School District 42
- Community-Based Victim Services
- RCMP Police- Based Victim Services.