



## SUPPORT US

DDA is a local non-profit organization that provides services and programs for individuals with developmental disabilities in Vancouver and Richmond. Learn more about how you can support us below.

### BECOME A MEMBER

Ensure DDA's programs and services continue by becoming a member of DDA. Visit our website [www.develop.bc.ca](http://www.develop.bc.ca) to join today!

### MAKE A FINANCIAL DONATION

You may designate your gift to our Greatest Need Fund or towards a specific DDA program of your choice. As a registered charity, all cash donations over \$10 are tax deductible.

## GET INVOLVED

### VOLUNTEER

Want to volunteer in one of our many programs? Please contact us to be notified of volunteer opportunities.

### BUILD YOUR CAREER WITH DDA

Working at DDA is a great way to further your career. Visit our website [www.develop.bc.ca](http://www.develop.bc.ca) to see all of our current openings.



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# DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ASSOCIATION



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## WHO WE ARE

The Developmental Disabilities Association is a community living agency that provides over 50 community-based programs and services to children and adults with developmental disabilities and their families in Vancouver and Richmond. We create extended networks of support, invest in individual needs, and strive for an inclusive and safe community. Over 1,800 individuals and families in the Vancouver and Richmond area are served by the Developmental Disabilities Association every year.

## OUR MISSION

Unleashing the potential of individuals with developmental disabilities and their families through life-long programs, supports and advocacy.

# SERVICES THAT SPAN A LIFETIME

FOR INDIVIDUALS, ADVOCATES AND THEIR FAMILIES

## INFANT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (IDP)

IDP is a family-centred, home-based program that serves children from birth to three years of age who are considered at risk for developmental delay, are already experiencing a delay or have a diagnosis.

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTRES (CDC)

Our CDCs offer quality inclusive childcare programs for both typical and special needs children. We support children and their families to develop understanding, acceptance and respect.

## DROP-IN CENTRE

Individuals participate in activities of their choice, ranging from one to four hours in length for semi-independent adults who live with families or on their own.

## DAY PROGRAMS

Our adult day programs consist of recreational, social, educational and behavioural skills training for individuals with a developmental disability.

## COMMUNITY APARTMENT & SEMI-INDEPENDENT SERVICES

For those individuals who are more independent, we offer residential services at varying levels of support.

## HOME SHARE

In our home share program, we match adults who are interested in living with a supportive family with suitable caregivers.

## RESPIRE SERVICES

We arrange for a caregiver to take care of loved ones with a developmental disability so that families can take a needed break.

## FOSTERING EARLY DEVELOPMENT (FED)

Our mission is to ensure that all children, from birth to 6 years, in foster care settings have access to opportunities and environments that promote optimal physical, cognitive, social, emotional and spiritual development.

## HOLIDAY OPTIONS

The Holiday Options Program provides an opportunity for youth and adults (ages 18+) to participate in a variety of summer excursions.

## LEISURE CHALLENGE

This program offers quality after-school recreational opportunities and life skills programs for youth ages 13-19 years.

## STARWORKS

Starworks is a social enterprise created to hire people with a developmental disability to perform light labour and assembly work.

## JOBS WEST

Jobs West assists adults with developmental disabilities to prepare for, find and sustain community-based work placements.

## RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

We have residences across Vancouver and Richmond, each with a unique culture and supports specific to the individuals who live there. Residential services accommodate a diverse population of adults through site-specific environmental design, personalized supports targeting identified areas of need, and comprehensive support staff training.

## FAMILY SUPPORT GROUPS

We host a number of support groups for different ethnicities so that families can share struggles, triumphs, and experiences with others of similar background and language.



### INFANT DEVELOPMENT

The best start is an early start! Infant Development started at DDA in 1972 and we have been maximizing infant and family development ever since.



### CHILDREN & YOUTH

Our goal is maximized development throughout childhood so we offer inclusive pre-school and childcare in enriched environments that benefit all children.



### VOCATIONAL & ADULT SERVICES

Our vocational services provide a continuum of support to help individuals learn the necessary skills and abilities to ultimately find and maintain employment and be fully included in the community.



### RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Residential services support both adults with developmental disabilities and their families. Our programs aim to maximize social inclusion, community participation and engagement and enable individuals to reach their full potential through personalized, client-driven goals.



### FAMILY SUPPORT

Families sometimes need support navigating the many challenges experienced while seeking support for their children. We are here to help!

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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