

## Areas Served:

Services are provided to children who live in the following communities and surrounding areas:

Salmon Arm ♦ Sicamous  
Malakwa ♦ Enderby ♦ Sorrento

Serving children from  
ages 5 to 18



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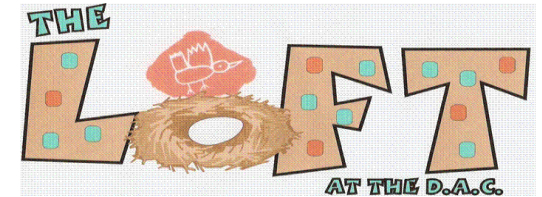
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Serving Families and Children,  
including Children with  
Special Needs, since 1982

# The Loft Program



Providing Support Services  
to Children and their Families  
with Developmental Disabilities  
and/or Autism

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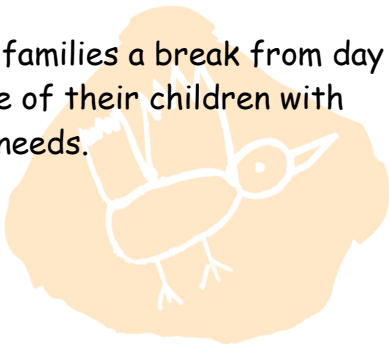
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## Philosophy

- ▶ The Loft Program fosters an atmosphere where everyone belongs and participates to the best of their abilities.

## Our Goals

- ▶ To cultivate an enjoyable experience with focus on skill building, friendships, safety, fun, and community inclusion.
- ▶ To encourage peer relationships in a setting that is supportive and informative.
- ▶ To give families a break from day to day care of their children with special needs.



## The Loft Program Provides...

- ▶ Individualized support plans based upon each child and family's specific needs, implemented by qualified staff.
- ▶ Community based activities, field trips and contacts to help build relationships with friends.
- ▶ A club-like atmosphere offering field trips, activities, crafts, photography & cooking.
- ▶ After-school programming from September to June.
- ▶ Summer Day Camp Programs during July and August.
- ▶ Assistance throughout the transition to adult services.

## The Benefits of the Loft Program

- ▶ A safe & caring social environment where children with special needs can acquire and practice interpersonal skills in a comfortable setting.
- ▶ The Downtown Activity Centre's location near downtown Salmon Arm provides many centrally located community connections and a useful home base to work & play from.

**Children who qualify for The Loft Program are 5-18 years old and are diagnosed with:**

Autism or Autism Spectrum

and/or

Developmental Disabilities