

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

Each year in Canada up to 362,000 children and youth are exposed to violence in the home.¹

3-5 children/youth in every classroom are exposed to gender based violence.²

But research shows that prevention and intervention programs like PEACE can help.

THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO CAN HELP

The BC Society of Transition Houses coordinates 87 PEACE programs across British Columbia including Vancouver Island, Lower Mainland, Fraser Valley, Kootenays, Okanagan, Cariboo and Northern BC.

To find a PEACE program in your community

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¹ Angus Reid Omnibus Survey. Canadian Women's Foundation, 2012.
www.canadianwomen.org/sixtysevenpercent

² Jaffe RG, Wolfe PG, & Wilson SK. 1990.

Children of Battered Women. Newbury Park, CA. Sage.

PEACE

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For Children and Youth

Experiencing Violence



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PEACE Program

The Prevention, Education, Advocacy, Counselling and Empowerment (PEACE) Program for Children and Youth Experiencing Violence (formerly Children Who Witness Abuse Program) is a free, confidential program across BC for children and youth aged 3 to 18 who have experienced violence against women.

PEACE Programs support children and youth to:

- Understand what violence against women is, the impact that violence in the home has on children and youth, that they are not alone, and that the violence is not their fault.
- Identify support networks and develop a safety plan.
- Identify their feelings and express them in healthy ways.
- Recognize their strengths and increase their self-confidence.
- Develop problem solving and coping skills.

PEACE Services:

- Are free.
- Offer 8-12 sessions.
- Provide group and individual counselling support for children and youth.
- Provide support for non-offending parents and caregivers.
- Provide presentations to schools and the community through the Violence Is Preventable program.

PEACE

Prevention
Education
Advocacy
Counselling
Empowerment