

# 21st Annual Conversation on Chilliwack's Children

City Life Church  
46641 Chilliwack Central Road

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**“Every Door is the Right Door  
Becoming Family Smart”**



Are you a parent, a student, or a community member accessing services in Chilliwack? Are you a professional working with children, youth or their families? Your voice matters. Please plan to be part of this year's "Conversation on Chilliwack's Children" and assist community agencies as they seek to build a better future for our children and youth.

**Breakout Sessions: Youth Engagement, Safety in Families, Income and Basic Needs, Literacy and Family Development, Supporting Health for the Whole Family**



## **"Families searching for A door: What helped and Hindered"**

Mae Burrows - President, From Grief to Action

Mae has devoted much of her life to social justice issues such as prison reform, youth mental health, and adult literacy. She has won a number of awards which recognize her passion, energy and coalition building: these include The Canadian Labour Congress Environmentalist of the Year, Wilderness Committee's Social Activist Award, Simon Fraser University's Outstanding Alumni Award for service to the community, Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, and the YWCA's Woman of Distinction.

Mae is hard at work building greater public awareness and empathy for people suffering with addiction and concurrent disorders. From Mae, we will hear the perspective of the client, as she shares her

## **Generation Squeeze**

Lynell Anderson - Senior Researcher, Human Early Learning Partnership, UBC

The goal of the Generation Squeeze Campaign is simple; "A Better Generational Deal, one that saves Canadians tens of thousands of dollars as young adults so they can reduce student debt, save for a home, afford a family and save for retirement. Lynell is the Senior Researcher for the Generation Squeeze campaign at UBC's Human Early Learning Partnership (HELP) and a Certified General Accountant. Drawing on 30 years of experience across the private, voluntary and public sectors, Lynell's research focuses on the financing of family policy in Canada, especially with respect to child care services. She will show why so many families are feeling "squeezed" and offer suggestions on how simple changes to government policies can make a significant difference.



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