

HOLIDAY CHEER

The holidays are a special time at Canuck Place. The annual Lighting of the House at the Vancouver hospice featured Canuck Place parents Chris and Hollie Hall who shared their story while helping us turn on the beautiful holiday lights for the families and staff in the hospice. The Winter Family Festival was also held at Canuck Place Abbotsford - Dave Lede House. Canuck Place children and their families enjoyed space-themed activities and delicious treats supported by staff and volunteers. As always, Canuck Place cookies were a highlight over the holidays, especially when Fin and a few Vancouver Canucks players visited the hospice to decorate cookies with the kids!



Top left: Canuck Place Abbotsford - Dave Lede House. Right: Canuck Place Vancouver - Glen Brae. Bottom left: Denise Praill, Canuck Place CEO; Genevieve McLean; Kirk McLean, Vancouver Canucks Alumni, Chris and Hollie Hall, Canuck Place Parents

CANUCK PLACE 50/50 SETS NEW RECORD

Lucky winner took home half of \$437,470!

The Canuck Place Fall 50/50, presented by RE/MAX, raised a record-setting jackpot of \$437,470. Half the jackpot supports exceptional care at Canuck Place and the other half went to our lucky winner, Sahar Abdul Zahir of Burnaby, BC. Congratulations Sahar!

To date, the total of six Canuck Place 50/50 jackpots is \$2,319,170, thanks to dedicated ticket purchasers across BC. Stay tuned for the next draw in Winter 2023.

CANUCK PLACE KEEPS FAMILIES WHOLE

“Canuck Place was a heaven-sent sanctuary where my family and I feel supported and safe to express our love for Matthew.”
— Maggie Ng, Canuck Place Mom

Lunar New Year is a time of joyful celebration—a time that brings luck and prosperity. And for families like the Ngs, it’s a time to make precious memories.

Canuck Place parents Maggie and Stewart were first introduced to Canuck Place

in January 2020, when their son Matthew was diagnosed with Trisomy 18, an incurable genetic disorder.

Matthew stayed in the hospice for medical respite, where his parents and four sisters could spend quality time together.

During their stay, the Ng family spent time in one of Canuck Place’s family suites, cuddling Matthew and making lasting memories. To support the Ng family journey, the recreation therapy team created tangible items of a life lived—foot molds and necklace pendants with Matthew’s fingerprint.

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This Lunar New Year, the Ng



Maggie and Stewart Ng, Canuck Place Parents

Canuck Place is grateful for you.



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Canuck Place gives: families time to savour

Canuck Place Family, the Ngs

family will celebrate family union with delicious treats and meals, decorations, treasured traditions such as watching the lion dance and collecting red envelopes, and honouring Matthew with a birthday celebration.

This Lunar New Year, you can help create lasting memories for families like the Ngs.

Until February 1, your gift will have double the impact thanks to our generous matching sponsor, the Coromandel Foundation.

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WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR YOU:
THANK YOU FOR HELPING LIGHT THE WAY DURING LIGHT A LIFE!



BFL employees celebrate a successful climb up Grouse Mountain in support of Canuck Place

BFL climbs mountains for Canuck Place

Annually, a group of employees from BFL Canada gather in support of Canuck Place family, the Archambault-Larosas and their baby Charles, who passed away on the Canuck Place program. This year they gathered at the bottom of Grouse Mountain and climbed to support Canuck Place care.

Among the climbers was Canuck Place mom Mireille Larosa, a BFL employee who climbed in memory of her baby, Charles. Mireille was so committed that she extended the climb and completed a 15Km run before reaching the base of the mountain. Her efforts paid off—she surpassed her fundraising goal and inspired others to do the same.

Mireille and her climbing teammates from BFL were cheered on by colleagues and executives at the top of the mountain. Together, the group raised a record \$75,000 in support of pediatric palliative care in BC and the Yukon showing that a connected organization can make a big difference.



Phyllis Fox, monthly Canuck Place supporter with her son, Michael J. Fox

A heartfelt goodbye to long-time Canuck Place donor

Long-time Canuck Place donor Phyllis Fox, the proud mother of actor Michael J. Fox, passed away on September 24, at 92 years old. Phyllis was one of Canuck Place's founding donors and continued to give for almost 30 years. She was also a special member of the Courage Builder Club, a group of donors who give monthly, helping Canuck Place deliver complex care to children and families in our two hospice locations, and in patients' homes. Through her generosity, Phyllis ensured children with life-threatening illnesses and their families across BC and the Yukon had access to pediatric palliative care.

Her monthly gifts allowed us to continue to improve the quality of life of children needing complex care and help families make the most of their time left with their child. We are so grateful to incredible long-term donors, like Phyllis, who make this care possible.



Federico, Erin, Alejo (in-frame), and Santiago Angel, Canuck Place family

LOVE IS TIMELESS

Canuck Place hosted the 18th annual Gift of Time Gala presented by Nicola Wealth. Over 600 guests and sponsors raised a record amount in support of Canuck Place care. These much-needed funds directly help to provide world-class pediatric palliative care to children and families.

Canuck Place parents Erin and Federico Angel shared the story of their baby boy, Alejo, who received end-of-life care at home through the Enhanced Community Care program. With the support of Canuck Place nurses and counsellors, the Angel family were able to make precious memories together at home, surrounded by family and loved ones.

"Canuck Place floated into our lives like a summer wind, warm and comforting. Their compassion and expertise allowed us to spend time at home with Alejo and savour our time with him," said Erin and Federico Angel

Because of the support of the amazing Gift of Time Gala volunteer committee, guests, partners, donors, and sponsors, Canuck Place can provide the gift of time to families like the Angels.

FOR THE LAWRENCES, FUNDRAISING IS A FAMILY VALUE

Nine year old Siena Lawrence is a philanthropic entrepreneur in the making! Every year she creates a new product to sell in support of Canuck Place. Siena has supported Canuck Place children and families since 2019, selling dolls, lavender, and more. Each time she comes up with the packaging and outreach plans using her entrepreneurial spirit to give back. Siena gets more creative every year, and as part of her current initiatives she has engaged her younger brother Caleb to help make handmade bracelets, sell donuts, and support her fundraising efforts!

Thank you Siena and Caleb for your commitment to supporting children with life-threatening illnesses and the families who love them.



Siena and Caleb Lawrence, budding philanthropic entrepreneurs!



The Angels and the Quinns, Canuck Place Family

Leave a lasting legacy

A full life has a million moments, and at Canuck Place, we believe that the shortest lives should be the fullest. Together, we support families in living the end of life as fully as the beginning, and leaving a gift in your Will can have an immense impact on caring for children and families on our program.

If you're interested in learning about how to leave a gift in your Will while still taking care of your loved ones, contact James Hight, Philanthropy Officer, Planned Giving at james.hight@canuckplace.org | 604-730-3311



Happy Year of the Rabbit to everyone celebrating Lunar New Year this January!

Thank you to our generous returning sponsors, the Coromandel Foundation, who are graciously matching every gift

made to Canuck Place up to \$40,000! Wishing you the very best in the year ahead. Gong hei fat choy and Gong xi fa cai!