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BC Family Child Care Association
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LOOKING TOWARDS THE FUTURE INVESTING IN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT AND CARE

VANCOUVER – BC Family Child Care Association (BCFCCA) formerly Western Canada Family Child Care Association of BC has accepted responsibility to administer \$700,000 in educational bursary funding from Vancity Community Foundation. This funding was originally part of the 1.5 million grant to Vancity Community Foundation from the Ministry of Children and Family Development in 2007 to deliver funding for early childhood educators. Funding will be available to qualifying students as of September 2009, pursuing careers in early childhood education and care or taking family child care training by way of one of the following:

- Good Beginnings: Professional Development for Family Child Care Providers, offered by recognized BCFCCA facilitators and educational institutions
- Recognized educational institutions delivering the One Year Family Child Care Certificate Program
- Basic and/or Post Basic Early Childhood Education programs offered at recognized private institutions

BC Family Child Care Association recognizes the need for educational funding for family child care and early childhood education students.

“This funding will assist students to obtain quality training, increasing the quality and number of child care options available to parents.” BCFCCA Chair, Mrs Diane Bellesen.

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