

#### WHAT IS THE COMMUNITY-LED COLLABORATION PROJECT?

- The Community-Led Collaboration Project is an opportunity for communities to come together to build cooperative, connected, culturally safe and communitycentric approaches to developing family connections centres.
- The project builds on the strengths of existing services in British Columbia to engage service providers, youth, families, and community members across the province in meaningful and inclusive conversations about family connections centres.
- The information gathered during community engagement sessions will belong to the host communities to inform their activities in responding to the Request for Proposal (RFP) and designing a family connections centre.
- Learnings from the community gathering process will be used by the project team to create a guide to support future community engagement work. This guide will support communities as they build out their own community engagement in preparation for developing family connections centre proposal.
- The Community-Led Collaboration Project will use an equity lens to ensure the voices of those historically excluded are centred in the community gatherings.

### A TWO-PHASE PROJECT

The Community-Led Collaboration Project consists of two phases:

## Phase One Community Engagement

### Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

In the fall of 2022, community engagement sessions will be hosted in the initial communities (roundtables and virtual workshops). The information gathered will belong to the host communities to inform their activity in responding to the Request for Proposal and designing a family connections centre.

# Phase Two Community Engagement Grant

### Spring/Summer 2023 – Summer 2024

In the second phase of the project, Community Engagement Grants will be available to 35 communities. These grants will be used to create the best, most inclusive, collaborative, and culturally safe approach to developing family connections centres proposals.

#### MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT

Over the course of the project, we will:

- Support communities to co-design meaningful, culturally safe, and inclusive engagement to build a more cooperative response to the Request for Proposal for the family connections centres.
- Hold multiple in-person and online sessions with service providers, youth, families, and community members across B.C.
- Ensure the project enhances community members' understanding of community resources (people and services); and supports the design of proposals for family connections centres.

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