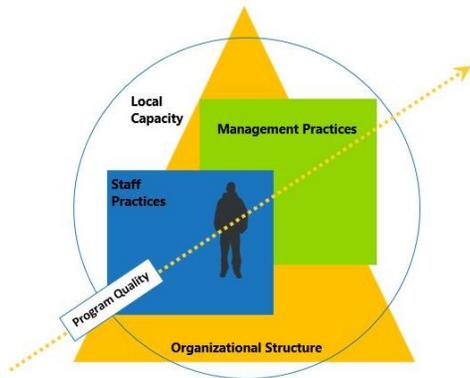


Health and well-being during adolescence are powerful predictors of success in adulthood.

By supporting young people, we are not only improving their well-being right now, we are also improving their futures.



There is a clear link between the quality of services provided to youth and the outcomes they achieve as they transition into adulthood.

Youth in YPQI Programs:

- Form better relationships with staff
- Have a greater sense of belonging
- Have increased voice and agency
- Develop key skills for success
- Have a higher level of engagement

all of which positively impacts identity development, critical thinking, communications skills, and social capital.

Who We Are

Greater Victoria YPQI

We are a dynamic community of municipalities, organizations, youth workers, funders, and youth advocates in Victoria, Oak Bay, Saanich, and the WestShore. Our commitment to the Youth Program Quality Initiative (YPQI) ensures that we are providing rich learning environments to support the healthy development of young people.

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*Improving the lives of
young people across
Greater Victoria.*

The YPQI provides a built-in evaluation of program delivery and management.

What is the YPQI?

The Youth Program Quality Initiative (YPQI) is a quality improvement initiative for out of school time (OST) programs. Organizations participate in the YPQI to improve the quality of their school age and youth programming to enhance the lives of young people.

This initiative uses the Youth Program Quality Assessment tool. This validated tool enables organizations to evaluate the quality of their programming and identify staff training needs. Through the YPQI, professional development workshops are offered so staff can develop vital skills to best support and engage young people.

Did you know...

youth who feel their ideas are listened to are more likely to rate their overall health as excellent than youth who don't feel valued?

When youth who are bullied are engaged in activities outside of school that they feel are meaningful, they are more likely to feel good about themselves and to rate their mental health as excellent.*

Involvement in programs where youth voice is valued is key to supporting the healthy development of young people.

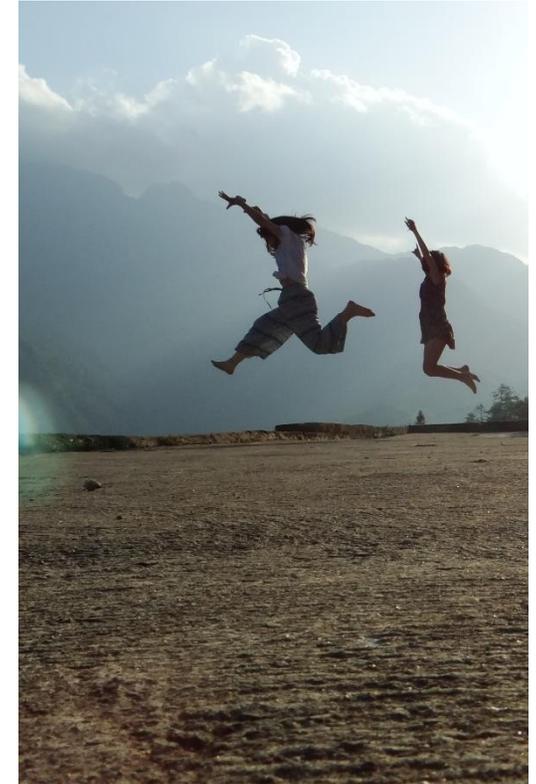
YPQI Organizations continually work to include young people by investing significant time and resources into developing best practices in program delivery and management.

To learn more about organizations involved in the YPQI, please visit:

Website:



*McCreary Centre Society. (2013). BC Adolescent Health Survey, South Vancouver Island., http://www.mcs.bc.ca/pdf/AHSV_SouthVancouverIsland.pdf.



“YPQI is one of the best ways to ensure quality programming in our community. It builds team spirit with common goals and language – that in itself improves programs for children and youth.”

Tara Skobel,

Quadra Village Community Centre
