



# LIONS DEN

Winter 2026

**Share this newsletter with your Club members to  
keep them updated with Easter Seals BC/Yukon!**

As we begin a new year, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks for the ongoing support and partnership you continue to show Easter Seals BC/Yukon.

A special thank you goes to the North Surrey, Logan Lake, Enderby and Maple Ridge Lions for partnering with us on an Easter Seals House room renovation. With your help, only five room renovations remain!



We are also grateful to the 24 clubs, along with District I, that have contributed nearly \$45,000 so far in fiscal year 2025-2026:

Lions District I  
Chase Lions Club  
Oliver Lions Club  
Okanagan Falls Lions Club  
Penticton Lions Club  
Vernon Lions Club  
Beaver Valley Lions Club  
North Shuswap Lions Club

Langley Lions Club  
Kamloops Paddlewheelers Lions Club  
Burnaby Host Lions Club  
Logan Lake Lions Club  
Westbank Lions Club  
Kettle River Lions Club  
Sand Creek Lions Club  
Victoria Chinatown Lioness Lions Club

North Delta Lions Club  
Mount Seymour Lions Club  
Chilliwack Stellers Jay Lions Club  
Malahat Lions Club  
Kelowna-Okanagan Mission Lions Club  
Enderby & District Lions Club  
North Surrey Lions Club  
Maple Ridge Lions Club

We appreciate everyone involved in the Fall Camp Winfield Improvement meeting on October 19, which raised more than \$12,450. An Eagle statue was also generously donated by David Shalanski (PDG District I) and the Penticton Lions Club.

Thank you as well to the Sorrento Lions for their strong outreach efforts, hosting a booth at the Sorrento Lions Market Sale on November 22 and again at the Community Christmas Party on December 6. Their recent collection of about 75 pounds of can tabs is another great contribution that helps fuel our work.

Your commitment continues to shape and strengthen programs for families across BC and the Yukon. We are deeply grateful for all you do.

Please reach out to me with any questions about our mission and don't forget to share this newsletter with your club!

Sincerely,

Michele Materi  
Manager, Major Gifts - Okanagan

## Lions in Action



## Chip In for the Kids - January 3 & 4, 2026

For a donation to help send Vancouver Island kids and adults to Easter Seals Camp, Lion volunteers disposed of live Christmas trees in an environmentally-friendly manner, raising just over \$9,400.



## Lunch with Easter Seals

We're grateful for the continued support of the Lions and for the kindness they show our community year after year. Seeing familiar faces at all four lunch events, Vancouver, Victoria, Vernon, and Kelowna, brings a real sense of connection and reminds us how strong this partnership is.



## Guardians of a Wishing Well

We had the absolute pleasure of experiencing the Guardians of a Wishing Well dance performance at our head office this December, performed by Maple Ridge Lions Club members Dakota and Tyson.

Being an Easter Seals camper for more than 25 years has inspired Tyson to stay deeply involved in his community, finding every opportunity to give back, raise awareness and education about Cerebral Palsy, and encourage others to help build a more inclusive future.



[Sign Up](#)

## Become a Member

At just \$10 a year, becoming a member of the BC Lions Society for Children with Disabilities is an easy way for Lions to deepen their impact. If every Lion joined, we could generate over \$100,000 in support in a single year, strengthening programs that matter to families across our region. Membership comes with meaningful benefits, including voting rights at our AGM.

## Camp Pricing Update

To continue offering safe and high-quality programs led by our specially trained staff, we will be updating camp fees for the 2026 season. Overnight camp fees will increase to \$1,500. This adjustment was not an easy decision, but it is necessary because of the increased cost to retain our exceptional staff, purchase food and medical supplies, and maintain our facilities. The goal remains to provide high-quality programs and a safe environment for every camper.

We recognize that affordability is a concern for families in Lions communities, and no child is turned away due to financial barriers. With the continued support of Lions Clubs and other community partners, subsidies remain available to help families access the camp experiences they rely on year after year. Thank you for your ongoing support of our campers.



[Register](#)

## Drop Zone

Dates for Drop Zone have been released! Encourage your club to form a team and sign up to take part in this thrilling fundraiser together!

**Victoria** - September 9    **Burnaby** - September 14  
**Vancouver** - September 17    **Kelowna** - September 22

Share this newsletter to your Club members to keep them updated with Easter Seals BC/Yukon!