How we WORK...

We approach the issue from all directions (advocacy, awareness, education and intervention) and offer support to all age groups (from 9 to 99). The Children of the Street team is a group of young, energetic, knowledgeable individuals who are skilled at connecting with their audience and passionate about this work. We stay current on the issue, are relatable and use interactive tools as well as candid discussions so people walk away with practical tips for real life scenarios.

How to ACCESS...

To book one of our workshops, please email: **childrenofthestreet@plea.bc.ca** or phone: **604 777 7510**

You can use the same contact information to access our early intervention services. For more information on our public awareness initiatives email **communications@plea.bc.ca**.

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Providing awareness, education and support to keep children, youth and families safe from sexual exploitation

Who we work with

Children of the Street relies on grants and charitable donations in order to operate. To make a donation visit our website.

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WHO we are...

Children of the Street offers children, parents, caregivers and service providers the information and practical tools they need to keep young people safe from all forms of sexual exploitation.

WHAT we do...

We provide young people with the knowledge and tools to keep themselves and their peers safe. We educate the community to be able to recognize and prevent child/youth sexual exploitation and human trafficking.

We do this by facilitating the following interactive workshops:

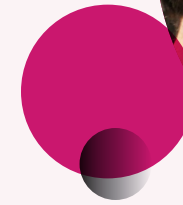### TCO² (Taking Care of Ourselves, Taking Care of Others)

New workshops are created every school year covering a wide range of discussions on the topic of sexual exploitation. We talk about warning signs of an exploitive relationship, online exploitation, peer-to-peer exploitation, the connection to gangs, recruitment tactics pimps use to manipulate victims, and much more! Participants are left with knowledge and tools on how to recognize, report and help prevent exploitation in their community. Designed for youth in grades 4-12.

Redefining Masculinity*

Delivered as a candid conversation to youth about men's accountability in sexual assault, consent, the societal cost of toxic forms of masculinity, sexual violence at post-secondary institutions and more. Designed for youth in grades 7-12.

Safer Space

This workshop takes a deeper dive into the world of online sexual exploitation providing youth with further information on how to keep themselves safe online. Like TCO², the content of the workshop is designed for youth in grades 4-12. We also provide tailored workshops to adults who care for or work with young people.

ITCHA (It Can Happen to Anyone)

Designed to teach adults (parent groups, service providers, police officers, social workers, nurses, school staff) how to recognize, understand and prevent sexual exploitation and human trafficking.

We work with all levels of government for changes in legislation that will help protect young people and prevent further sexual exploitation and human trafficking.

We offer early intervention services to families and service providers who are concerned about a young person. We assist them by providing non-judgmental support, resources and referral to local support and intervention services.

WHY we do it...

Our aim is to create a world where children and youth are safe and free from all forms of sexual exploitation.

I learned how recruitment happens and how to notice and stop it. There are also lots of resources to help if something happens."

Participant

*A $100 honorarium towards the cost of this workshop is appreciated.