



## THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH *VISION, MANDATE AND GOALS*

Every child and youth in British Columbia has the right to be healthy, safe, educated and to be heard. In order to ensure that these rights are upheld, the Representative for Children and Youth (RCY) and her dedicated team created their first organizational Service Plan and presented it to the Select Standing Committee on Children and Youth in December 2007. It was immediately adopted, enabling the RCY team to take their vision, mandate and goals from principle to practice where they can make a real difference in the lives of BC's most vulnerable young citizens.

### What is our vision?

An organization highly valued for championing the fundamental rights of vulnerable children and youth, and for promoting improvements in the delivery of services to children, youth and their families that result in better lives for children and youth.

### What is our mandate?

The RCY mandate is four-fold and includes work pertaining to:

- Advocacy
- Monitoring
- Reviewing and Investigating Critical Injuries and Deaths of Children
- Research, Data Collection and Analysis

### What are our goals?

1. Vulnerable children and youth have their rights and interests protected and upheld, and their voices heard and considered;
2. The work of the Office supports improved results and a stronger system of supports for vulnerable children and youth;
3. The Office delivers its mandate in a child-centered, open, collaborative, accountable and responsive way.

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