

Published on *BCGEU* (<http://www.bcgeu.ca>)

[Home](#) > [Notice](#) > Community Social Services Awareness Walk - March 26, Victoria

Community Social Services Awareness Walk - March 26, Victoria

By *Manager5*

Created *Mar 24 2011 - 11:06am*

Community Social Services Awareness month in British Columbia culminates with a walk in support of community social services [1] in Victoria, on Saturday March 26 starting at 11am. Please join us!

Community social services' clients, self advocates, family members, workers and service providers are joining together in a walk to raise awareness about the vital role these services play in our communities. The Victoria walk will include featured speakers, an information booth, a Bar-b-que, live entertainment, face painting, and more. The featured speaker this year is His Worship Dean Fortin, Mayor of Victoria. The walk will begin and end at Centennial Square, with a starting time of 11am. The bar-b-q will follow the walk at noon. Please join us at this free event!

The walk is one of many activities scheduled in communities across the province during the month of March.

The province of British Columbia and nearly 50 municipalities issued proclamations [2] endorsing Community Social Services Awareness month. "Through these resolutions, municipal councils from every area of this province publicly acknowledged the essential programs and services provided by this sector, as well as the commitment and dedication of community social service workers," says Darryl Walker, president of the B.C. Government and Service Employees' Union.

The goal of Community Social Services Awareness month is to increase public awareness of and support for the vital contributions made by BC's community social services workers. Community social service workers made presentations to municipal councils, staffed information tables, and spoke to local media throughout the month of March.

Community social services include everything from child care to employment and residential supports for people with developmental disabilities, to specialized services for immigrant families and support for women escaping abusive relationships. They help make our communities stronger, healthier and more stable. But in recent years, these services have suffered from cutbacks and inadequate funding.

- Find out more about the upcoming Community Social Services rally and walk [1] in Victoria;
- View the list of municipal proclamations [3] for Community Social Services Awareness month;
- Visit the Community Social Services Matter website [4] regularly for updates and

news about BC's community social services workers.

Event summary

Community Social Services Awareness Walk
Saturday March 26, 2011
11:00 AM
Centennial Square, Victoria (City Hall)
Featured speaker: His Worship Dean Fortin, Mayor of Victoria
Everyone is welcome and there is no cost to participate.

Source URL: http://www.bcgeu.ca/CSS_Walk_March_26_2011

Links:

- [1] <http://www.cssmatters.ca/css-month/css-walk>
- [2] <http://www.cssmatter.ca/css-month/proclamations>
- [3] <http://www.cssmatters.ca/css-month/proclamations>
- [4] <http://www.cssmatter.ca>