

## Family Care Homes

### Comments from Caregivers:

*"The opportunity to help young teenagers get through some trying times is very gratifying."*

*"We appreciate being able to make a difference in the lives of the young people who come into our home. It is a two way relationship. We have learnt so much from them as well."*

### Are you interested in:

- Meaningful work that makes a difference in the life of a young person?
- A home-based opportunity?
- Being part of a professional team?

### Family Caregivers receive:

- Monthly retainer and per diem fees
- 24-hour on-call support
- Respite
- Training

### Contact the Family Care Home Recruiter:

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## Mission Statement

The John Howard Society of North Island is a charitable organization whose mission is to provide programs and support to help children, youth, and families lead safer, healthier lives.



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## What is a Family Care Home?

**JHSNI Family Caregivers** provide safe and supportive homes to young people in our **Headstart, Oasis, 180 Degrees Detox and Stabilization, and Youth Justice Beds** programs. **Family care homes** are integral to the success of our community-based programming.



Becoming a **family caregiver** gives you an opportunity to make a difference while working from home. **Family caregivers** are paid contractors, receiving a non-taxable retainer and per diem fees, 24-hour on-call support, ongoing training, and monthly respite.

Caregivers provide encouragement and supervision to youth placed in their homes. The emphasis is on building positive relationships and fostering a nurturing family environment. We have openings for **family care homes** in Campbell River and the Comox Valley.

## Who Are the Youth?

- Young men and women ages 12-19 with a variety of needs
- All of the youth need a stable, caring family environment
- As each of our young client's situations is unique, we look for a diverse group of family caregivers
- The length of stay depends on the program



## Do Caregivers Receive Training?

### Yes! Initial training involves:

- Meeting the team
- Orientation to the program
- Information and education
- Guidelines and standards for families

### Following initial training:

- The John Howard Society of North Island sponsors monthly caregiver meetings and facilitates training on a regular basis for all family caregivers

## Join Our Team!

**JHSNI Family Caregivers** are part of a professional team providing services to vulnerable youth. You will receive ongoing support from:

- **Youth Counsellors**
- **Family Resource Worker**
- **Caregiver Support Workers**
- **Drug and Alcohol Counsellors**
- **Youth Withdrawal Management Coordinator**
- **Activity Workers**
- **Family Care Home Recruiter**
- **School District #72 Educators**
- **Probation Officers**
- **Program Managers**
- **Other Youth Service Providers**
- **24-hour Emergency Pager**

### Comments from Youth:

"Their home is peaceful and cozy and comfortable. I feel like they try hard to understand me and not judge me."

"My caregivers supported me and always gave me good advice."

"My caregiver drives me to places to apply for work and gives me input about my resume – she's helping me improve my work ethic."