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McCreary announces memorial granting program to honour Trevor Coburn

BC youth health charity, the McCreary Centre Society today launched the Trevor Coburn Memorial Grants program. The program has been established in honour of Trevor Coburn, who passed away suddenly in August 2020. Trevor was involved with McCreary for over 15 years first as a member of the Society's Youth Advisory Council, then as a peer mentor, adult support and more recently as a researcher and facilitator on projects related to homelessness and substance use.

Trevor's passion for helping to improve the lives of BC's most vulnerable young people was admired and respected by all who had the opportunity to know him, and many have stories to tell about his kind and generous spirit.

McCreary's Executive Director, Annie Smith noted *"We are still a bit in shock that Trevor is no longer with us, and really wanted to do something to keep his memory alive and continue his legacy. We couldn't think of any better way of doing this than by setting up a fund which will support the young people he was so passionate about."*

The granting program will provide grants of up to \$500 to young people wanting to address one or more areas of youth health that Trevor was passionate about: peer mentorship, youth homelessness, youth substance use, and youth in and from government care.

To make a donation to support the Trevor Coburn Memorial Grants program, visit the Canada Helps website at <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/mccreary-centre-society/> and specify 'Trevor Coburn' in the message box. Donations may also be made by cheque to the McCreary Centre Society and mailed to:

McCreary Centre Society
3552 East Hastings Street
Vancouver, BC, V5K 2A7

To apply for a grant or learn more about the granting program, visit www.mcs.bc.ca, email mccreary@mcs.bc.ca, or call 604-291-1996.



McCreary Centre Society is a non-government, non-profit organization committed to improving the health of BC youth through research, evaluation and community-based projects.

Founded in 1977, our vision is that all youth are supported to be healthy and connected.

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