

News Release

PGT releases its 14th annual Child and Youth Guardianship Services Report

VANCOUVER, March 6, 2023 – The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) released its 2021-2022 annual Child and Youth Guardianship Services Report today. Included in the report is an overview of property guardianship services delivered by the PGT to children and youth who were in the continuing care of the Province between April 1, 2021 and March 31, 2022. It also highlights the work that the PGT has done to engage and empower children and youth in care with personal finance management skills.

“For many reasons, children and youth in care may not have the benefit of continuous guidance and mentorship around financial matters. So, through tailored workshops to our young clients, from as young as 10 years old, the PGT strives to empower them with the tools they need to manage their personal finances when they reach the age of majority.” said Dana Kingsbury, Public Guardian and Trustee.

This fiscal year, the PGT began working with Indigenous Governing Bodies and other government service partners to implement [amendments](#) to the child and family services legislation.

“The PGT is strongly committed to this work and will be continuing to work with Indigenous Peoples as they reclaim jurisdiction over child and family services.” said Kingsbury.

The PGT is property guardian for over 4,500 children and youth who are in the continuing care of the Province of British Columbia.

Highlights of the 2021-2022 Child and Youth Guardianship Services report are available [here](#), while the complete report can be found [here](#).

About the Public Guardian and Trustee

The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) is a corporation sole established under the Public Guardian and Trustee Act with a unique statutory role to protect the interests of British Columbians who lack legal capacity to protect their own interests. The mandate of the PGT is to:

- Protect the legal and financial interests of children under the age of 19 years;
- Protect the legal, financial, personal and health care interests of adults who require assistance in decision making; and
- Administer the estates of deceased and missing persons.

In 2021-2022, the PGT Child and Youth Services division administered \$59.1 million of assets for 4,517 property guardian clients.

For more information about the PGT, visit www.trustee.bc.ca.

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