

# Contact the Public Guardian and Trustee

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Toll free calling is available through  
Service BC. After dialing the appropriate  
number for your area below, request to  
be transferred to the PGT.

**Vancouver** 604-660-2421  
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**PGT hours of operation**  
Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm

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## Transitioning from care?

Post majority services



**PGT** Public Guardian  
and Trustee  
of British Columbia

# Planning for turning 19

If you are a child or youth in continuing care who is nearing the age of 19, your guardianship and trust officer will work with you, your social worker and with other supports to help you plan for your financial future. We can also help you manage your finances and monthly income after you turn 19, through our post majority services.

Here are a few examples of how we might be able to help you after you reach the age of 19:

## Post majority services

An option you can consider as part of your transition planning is our post majority services. This is where you can voluntarily allow the Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) to help continue to manage your money all the way up to the age of 27.

When you enter into an agreement to receive this service, your guardianship and trust officer will work with you during your transition to adulthood to help you identify financial goals and develop budgets and plans to support these goals. We can help protect your money. You can end this agreement at any time.

## Don't wait until you are 19

You can talk to us any time when you are ready. We can help you find resources that teach you how to manage money, set goals and plan for your financial future. Talk to your guardianship and trust officer.

Leaving continuing care and taking on more responsibility is hard. There is a lot to think about. We are here to help and support you. You can do this!

**"I won't have a lot of money when I age out. I don't know what to do."**



We can help you create a realistic budget. We can also help connect you to benefits that may be available to you. We can help you find resources that will help you understand how to manage your own money and make choices that are right for you.

**"I am going to get a lump sum when I turn 19. I need help to protect my money from my family and friends."**



We can work with you to make a plan that will protect your money so that only you can access it. We can also help you make a plan to keep your money safely in trust, so that you can make your financial future secure.

**"I want to go to college or university but I don't know if I can afford it."**



We can help you, so that you continue to receive benefits, such as Canada Pension Plan Children's Benefits, while you are going to school. We can connect you to other benefits that might be available for you, including the PGT Education Assistance Fund. We can also help you set up a realistic budget for yourself.