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## Children's Circle Day Care Society Receives 2024 Spring Community Grant for Science Enrichment Initiative

Kamloops, BC – May 27, 2024 – Children's Circle Day Care Society is happy to announce that it, in partnership with the Big, Little, Science Centre, has been awarded a \$2,474.75 grant from the BC Interior Community Foundation. This grant, distributed from the Children and Families Field of Interest Fund, Edith Noble Children's Fund, Kirsten Fund, and the BCICF Gaming Fund, will support the launch of our "Science Enrichment Initiative at Children's Circle Childcare Centre."

This project aims to enhance science programming for children aged 3-5 through engaging, inquiry-based experiments designed to foster open-ended investigations and a deeper understanding of scientific concepts. The initiative will also provide professional development opportunities for Early Childhood Educators, equipping them with the skills to facilitate these activities effectively.

"We are incredibly grateful for this grant, which will allow us to continue to create a stimulating environment that nurtures curiosity and a love for learning," said Karyn Sutherland, Executive Director at Children's Circle Day Care Society. "Our partnership with the Big, Little Science Centre will ensure that our science programming is both innovative and developmentally appropriate."

The project includes acquiring essential classroom and outdoor materials to support hands-on scientific exploration and developing a series of experiments that align with early childhood developmental milestones. By improving access to high-quality STEM learning opportunities, the initiative aims to empower both children and educators, making a lasting impact on the Kamloops community.

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### About Children's Circle Day Care Society

Since 1996, Children's Circle Day Care Society has been a trusted provider of childcare services in Kamloops, BC, offering enriching educational programs to a growing number of children and families. Our mission is to foster a love for learning through innovative and developmentally appropriate practices.

### About BC Interior Community Foundation

The BC Interior Community Foundation is dedicated to enhancing the quality of life in the BC Interior region by supporting a wide range of community-based projects and initiatives. Through grants and partnerships, the foundation strives to create a lasting impact on local communities.

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