Kaslo Community Services: 'The House Next Door' Fundraiser



Marking 50 Years by Building for the Future

Kaslo Community Services (KCS) is expanding. Right next door a remarkable opportunity awaits, a space that will allow us to grow our impact and better serve the people of Kaslo and the North Kootenay Lake region.

This guide introduces our vision to purchase and renovate 'The House Next Door', a neighbouring building that will become a safe, welcoming space for essential community programming. Your support will help expand access to vital counselling services, enhance food security programs and provide a welcoming, accessible space for youth, families, seniors, and individuals in need; supporting well-being at every stage of life.

Join us in building a future rooted in compassion, connection and care. Learn more at www.kaslo.services/thehousenextdoor

COMMUNITY Services

Kaslo Community Services works on the stolen territories of the Ktunaxa, Sinixt and Sylix nations. We acknowledge the impacts of colonization, both past and present, and we seek to deliver our services in a manner that honours the land and the Indigenous peoples living here today.





About Kaslo Community Services

Kaslo Community Services is a cornerstone of care in our region. Since 1976, we've been supporting the well-being of individuals and families throughout Kaslo and the North Kootenay Lake area. As a registered nonprofit organization, we are deeply rooted in the community and committed to supporting health, resilience and inclusion for everyone who calls this place home.

Vision: Thriving communities where all feel connected, supported and empowered

Mission: Supporting community through inclusive and accessible programs and services

We believe that everyone deserves a safe space, access to support and a strong community network. That's why our team delivers a wide range of essential programs that touch lives every day:

- Counselling Services
- Food Security Initiatives
- Youth Networks
- Family & Early Years Programs
- Seniors' Support

In 2024 alone, KCS supported over 400 community members through these vital services and the demand continues to grow.

With 'The House Next Door' campaign, we are building the physical and financial foundation to meet that growing need. By purchasing and renovating the adjacent property, we will expand our service space, increase program capacity and offer even greater dignity, privacy, and accessibility to the people we serve.





The Opportunity

After years of discussion, growing demand has made it clear - Kaslo Community Services needs more space to continue meeting the needs of our community.

KCS currently operates out of our main office building at 336 B Avenue, and a rare opportunity has arisen, the chance to purchase the neighbouring property at 330 B Avenue. This is the most cost-effective and least disruptive solution to our space needs. Rather than relocating or undertaking intrusive new construction, this project allows us to grow in our existing location with the infrastructure that supports it.

We plan to renovate the interior of 330 B Avenue to accommodate expanded program delivery and administrative offices, while maintaining the exterior look of the building to preserve the character of the neighbourhood.

This expansion will provide fully accessible kitchen and washroom, meeting space for counselling and community groups and additional office space to meet growing program demand

To move this project forward, we will require both a zoning change and an amendment to the Official Community Plan (OCP); both of which are underway. Local residents will have the opportunity to share their views, including through a public hearing.

Looking Ahead: Our Next 50 Years

As KCS prepares to celebrate 50 years of community service in 2026, 'The House Next Door' campaign marks a turning point. It's not just about solving today's space constraints - it's about ensuring that KCS is set up for another 50 years of responsive, inclusive and community-rooted care.

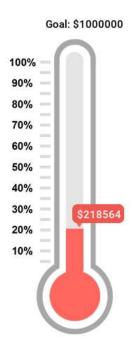




How To Donate

With a total project cost of \$1,000,000, we've already secured \$218,564, and we are calling on our community to help raise an additional \$50,000 by August 31, 2025. Every contribution brings us closer to opening the door to a stronger, safer and more connected Kaslo.

There are several ways you can support the House Next Door campaign:



1. By Mail:

Send a cheque to:

Kaslo Community Services

Box 546, Kaslo, BC VOG 1M0

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(Please specify "Building Fund" in the memo)

2. Online:

Donate securely via CanadaHelps and receive an instant charitable tax receipt:

Donate Now - click here

3. By Phone:

Call us at 250-353-7691 to discuss alternative donation methods or to speak with our fundraising team.

4. Larger Gifts:

For donations over \$500, we kindly recommend sending a **cheque or e-transfer** to help reduce processing fees and ensure

more of your gift goes directly to the campaign.

Tax receipts will be issued for all donations over \$20.

Stay Connected: Follow our progress and share the journey on social media: Facebook and Instagram

