

Statement of Rights of Persons Served

Every Individual served in Greater Vancouver Community Service Society's Community Living Program has the right to:

- Receive adequate and appropriate food, clothing and shelter.
- Receive adequate and appropriate medical care.
- Be free of abuse, neglect, humiliation, retaliation, exploitation, and inhumane treatment.
- Have the right to diversity.
- Be included in decisions and informed consent regarding choices affecting their life to the extent of their ability.
- Live in clean, safe and comfortable surroundings.
- Receive appropriate and reasonable guidance, support and supervision.
- Be treated with courtesy and respect in a way that fully recognizes the individual's dignity and individuality.
- Enjoy reasonable privacy.
- Receive an individualized education/social program.
- Expect that their property will be appropriately cared for and maintained.
- Access to facilities free from discrimination on the basis of race, age, gender, religion or spiritual, ethnic origin, disability, sexual orientation, language or communication style and socio-economic status.
- Access to legal representation.
- Receive adequate and appropriate personal care.
- Form and enjoy friendships.
- Enjoy freedom of thought and conscience.
- To have his/her personal information be kept confidential.
- Keep and display in his/her room personal possessions such as pictures and furnishings in keeping with safety requirements.
- Expect that all employees and volunteers are advised of the above rights and to assume that all employees and volunteers will respect these rights.