



The Representative for Children and Youth and the Law Foundation of BC are working together to inform children and youth in BC about legal resources and services available to them. Our research into this issue and consultations with youth found that when children and youth have legal problems they often turn to intermediaries such as social workers, school counsellors, or other trusted adults for help.

With this letter we are sending you, and others in the legal community who might be providing legal information or services to youth or the intermediaries who are helping them, a list of legal information resources geared to youth, as well as contact information for services they may be able to access for legal information, advice and representation.

These resources are also available online at the website of the Representative for Children and Youth <u>http://www.rcybc.ca/legal-resources</u> or under the "Get Help Now" tab on the website. The Law Foundation will link to these resources from its website. Many of the resources noted on this list can also be accessed online at Clicklaw <u>http://www.clicklaw.bc.ca/</u> a portal to online public legal education resources and services.

We are hopeful that when members of the legal community know about existing legal resources and services available for youth, they will be able to inform children, youth or the intermediaries who help them about appropriate resources.

We look forward to receiving any comments you have about our work in this area, or the list of resources and services accompanying this letter.

Sincerely,

Warren Milman Chair, Board of Governors Law Foundation of BC

Mary Ellen Turpel-Lafond Representative for Children and Youth