

Town Hall Forum on Women's Economic Rights and Child Care ^[1]

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How is British Columbia standing when it comes to advancing the economic human rights of women?

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights includes the economic rights to education, housing, health care, social security, wages worthy of human dignity, and freedom from discrimination in employment. Access to affordable and high quality child care opens doors and removes barriers for women exercising their economic human rights.

Join us for a lively community conversation to discuss if we are doing enough to advance the economic rights of women in the province. We'll explore the economic benefits of child care to British Columbia as a whole and how these benefits contribute to the well-being of women and families in the province.

Featured Panelists

Lauren Bacon, Entrepreneur and Author

Lauren is a seasoned entrepreneur, published author, and passionate learner and teacher who advises tech startups, and coaches business and nonprofit leaders. She became a mom in December 2011 and is very much enjoying learning the Buddhist concept of "beginner's mind" through the wondrous, dumbfounding and occasionally delightful world of parenting.

Adrienne Montani, First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition

Adrienne Montani is the Provincial Coordinator for First Call: BC Child and Youth Advocacy Coalition, where she has worked for over a decade. She has also served as the Child and Youth Advocate for the City of Vancouver, Chairperson of the Vancouver School Board and executive director for non-profit social service agencies.

Stephanie Smith, Treasurer of BCGEU

Stephanie began her involvement with the union movement in 1981 first in New Zealand, and then with the Children Services Employees' Union, which merged with BCGEU in 1995/96. A tireless advocate for worker rights, Stephanie has attended provincial, national and international conferences to speak on behalf of BCGEU members' issues, and continues to engage in educational and training opportunities within the labour movement.

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