

# We'd love you to join us....

Ishtar Transition Housing Society relies on support from the community. We would like to invite you to consider becoming a Member of the Society. As a member in good standing you will:

- receive an invitation to the Annual General Meeting; a chance to meet with others who are interested in the operations of the society and to meet members of the Board of Directors and staff.
- have voting privileges as per the Society Act of BC.
- have the right to receive a copy of our annual report if requested .
- are eligible to vote in the annual election of our Board of Directors or to run for a position on the Board.

For an application for membership form please visit our website @ [www.ishtarsociety.org](http://www.ishtarsociety.org) or call us at 604-534-1011

No person who is receiving shelter, counselling, guidance or assistance from the Society shall be eligible for membership of the Society.

All services of Ishtar Transition Housing Society are funded by the Government of British Columbia, gaming and community donations.

## Ishtar Transition Housing Society

### Main Office

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Langley, B.C. V2Y 1L9

**Tel: 604-534-1011**

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**Monday to Friday 9:00am—4:00pm**

### Women's Counselling

**Langley : 604-534-1011**

**Ext. 225**

### Children and Youth Experiencing Violence

**Langley : 604-534-1011,**

**Ext. 234**

### Community-Based Victim Services

**Langley: 604-534-1011,**

**Ext. 228 or 245**

### Community Outreach Services

**Langley: 604-534-1011**

**Ext. 230**

### Ishtar Transition House

**Langley: 604-530-9442 (24hrs/7days)**

### Libra Transition House

**Aldergrove: 604-857-5797 (24hrs/7days)**



## Programs and Services

### **Our Mission:**

To honour, embrace and celebrate the power, resilience, courage and knowledge of all women. We work collaboratively for systemic change where equality means inclusion, opportunity and accessibility for all. We work together locally for a world where all women and girls are safe emotionally, mentally, financially, physically, sexually, spiritually and culturally.

[www.ishtarsociety.org](http://www.ishtarsociety.org)

An informational brochure on the programs.  
Offered by Ishtar Transition Housing Society.

## Transition Housing

### A Safe Place

The transition houses provide safe temporary shelter to women and their children who are victims of spouse/partner abuse. Both houses are staffed 24 hours, residents are provided with emotional support and personal counselling. Services are provided free to women and children. Location of the houses is confidential.

- Legal Advocacy
- Housing Information
- Financial Advocacy
- Educational Information
- Community Outreach Program

#### Ishtar Transition House

Ishtar Transition House is a twelve bed facility in a quiet residential neighborhood in Langley.

**For more information call:**  
**604-530-9442**  
**(24hrs/7days)**

#### Libra Transition House

Libra Transition House is a ten bed facility in a rural residential area in Aldergrove.

**For more information call:**  
**604-857-5797**  
**(24hrs/7days)**

### Philosophy

The Society believes that no person should be subjected to any type of abuse. We believe that people have the right to personal autonomy; political, economic, and social equality; and the right to live free of violence and from other forms of abuse. Women's experiences, voices and wisdom are unique and vital in our Society. The decision to leave an abusive relationship is respected. Members and staff of the Society believe that all women and children have the ability to reach their optimum level through strength, knowledge and courage.

## Community-Based Victim Services

Services are provided to women, men, and children who are victims/survivors of family violence and/or sexual abuse who may or may not have reported to the police.

The services include:

- Emotional Support
- Information about the justice system, crime prevention and safety planning
- Court Support
- Witness Orientation
- Liaison with Crown and police
- Referral to other community agencies

**For more information call:**  
**604-534-1011**  
**Ext. 228 or 245**

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### PEACE Program for

#### Children and Youth Experiencing Violence

The PEACE program provides education, information and supportive counselling on an individual and group basis, to children and youth 3 to 18 years and their non-offending parent/guardian. Clients have witnessed and/or experienced family violence and no longer live with the abusive person.

The services include: emotional support, education, information regarding abuse, personal rights and responsibilities and parenting issues. Services are provided to parents/guardians and their children living in the Langley, Fort Langley and Aldergrove areas, with PEACE offices in Langley and Aldergrove.

**For more information call:**  
**604-534-1011**  
**Ext. 234**

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## Women's Counselling

Women's Counselling program provides counselling to women who have been victims of family violence, childhood sexual abuse and/or sexual assault. The services include:

- Counselling— individual and/or group
- Education
- Consultation
- Referrals—to other agencies

These services are provided to women living in the Langley and Aldergrove areas.

Groups are offered throughout the year. Topics may include boundaries; healthy versus unhealthy relationships; post traumatic stress.

**For more information and group start dates call:**  
**604-534-1011**  
**Ext. 225**

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### Outreach Services

Staff who are familiar with resources both within and outside the community offer emotional and practical support, information and referrals according to your needs.

- Support and advocacy regarding Family Law issues, Housing and Income Assistance.
- Form completion assistance.
- Drop In Group

**For more information call:**  
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**Ext. 230**