



Self Advocate Leadership Network British Columbia

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SALN News-sheet #14: OUR BIG ANNOUNCEMENT!

This News-sheet is a public document. Information, quotes, and questions are invited to be shared and included outside of SALN.

The majority of SALN members are part of provincial self-advocacy and advisory groups. SALN is aware and interested in the BC self-advocate movement. All SALN members are well-established and recognizable. All SALN members are from leading groups in the movement.

SALN Mission Statement:

To promote a good life through positive and informed: actions, networking and advocacy.

SALN would like to share the following:

SALN would like to announce that we are now an official society in the Province of British Columbia. The name of our society is:

British Columbia Self Advocate Leadership Network Society

Details of statement:

In May 2019, SALN began our journey to create the first Self Advocate Leadership Network in British Columbia. SALN was co-founded by Michael McLellan and Alexander Magnussen with the support of Jillian Glennie from UNITI.

Since 2019, SALN has been involved in many Provincial and Federal projects and initiatives to address the rights of people with disabilities.

With the support of a grant from Community Living B.C., we have now become an official Society on February 17, 2022 at 11:00 am (PST).



**Self Advocate Leadership Network
British Columbia**

Announcing our Board of Directors:

Michael McLellan, President
Dave Sheritt, Vice-President
Krista Milne, Secretary
Kara Anderson, Treasurer
Lorie Sheritt, Director
Chelsea Rinquinha, Director
Jo-anne Gauthier, Director

SALN Comments:

**What do you want to share about being your own Society? How does it make you feel?
What do you think?**

The biggest thing is that we are the first leadership network of self advocates in Canada! This is unbelievable!

We want to get the word out and let people know.

We are hoping to make our voices powerful - we are young and enthusiastic! We will make changes!

We are going to take over the world – so watch out United Nations.

We are more than capable of making things happen.

I am excited to see all these amazing leaders breaking new ground across the country.

This is an example of leaders who SHOULD be the leaders.

Hope and possibilities!

We are going to be world famous. Everyone will know who we are.

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This is just so exciting for SALN. It's pretty awesome!

This takes SALN to the next steps – you are a legitimate legal entity – this is big!



We would like to thank all the supporters who have helped us along the way through our journey. We couldn't do it without you!

Please invite SALN to participate in creating and delivering solutions where it makes sense. SALN appreciates the support in sharing SALN content. To receive SALN content, email SALN support at SALNBC19@gmail.com. Response can be sent to SALN support, at SALNBC19@gmail.com.

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