



SAS

2021-2022

Year in Review



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Words From **SAS Co-Chairs**



Jeevan Basra

This past season we got to meet new people, & do more events, which made me very happy. Can't wait to see what we do next year!



Michaela Robinson

This last season at SAS has been great because everybody has contributed their time & effort into making it so successful.

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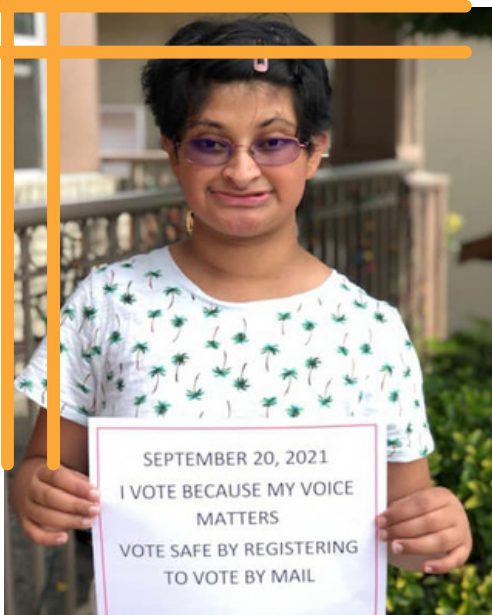


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2021 Voting Matters



SAS created a voting video series that encouraged others to vote!





Christmas Craft Fair



SAS Christmas Party



Christmas Cards for Seniors

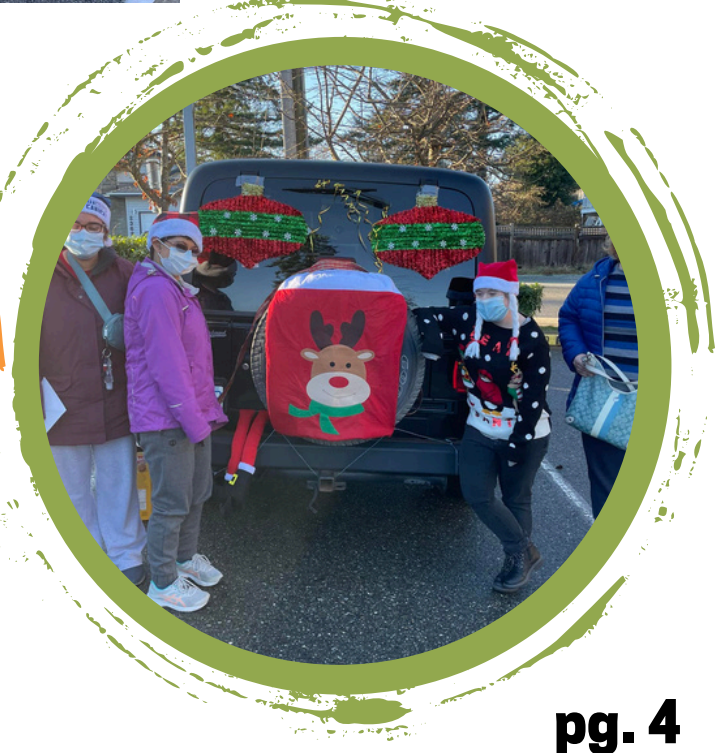


Christmas Car Parade



SAS Spreading some Christmas Cheer through the Community

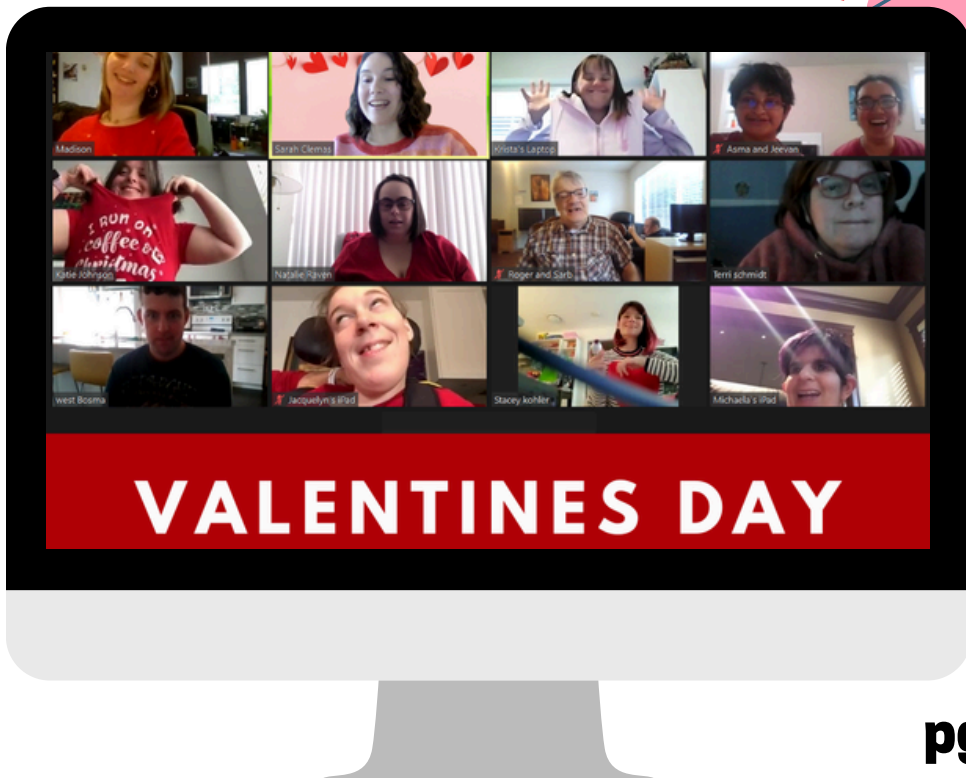
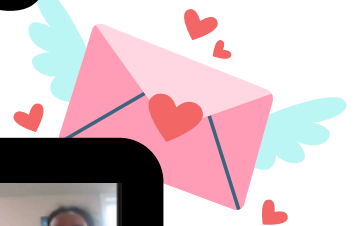
SAS had their 2nd Annual Christmas Car Parade. We spread some holiday cheer all throughout White Rock & South Surrey. What a blast!



Volunteered Rotary Book Sale

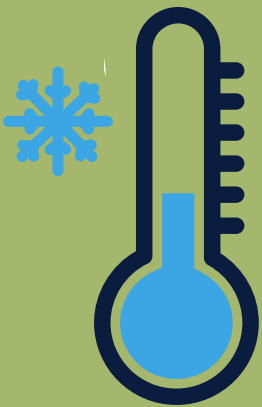


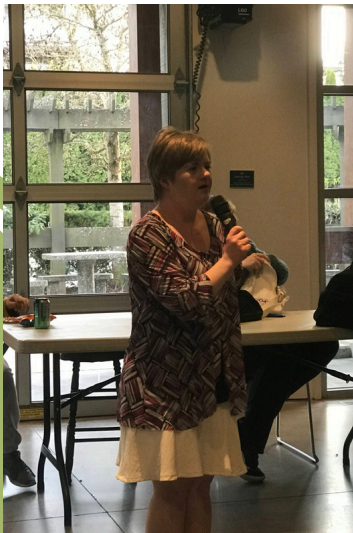
Valentines Day Bingo





Coldest night **of the year walk** *Put on by Sources*





Karaoke Night

Peace Walk For Ukraine



SAS attended events, speeches and did a walk for Ukraine at White Rock Beach. We're honoured to be part of such a strong community.



Equally **Empowered**



***Jen Glover
delivering
the Ends
Report to
CEO Doug
Tennant***

Art Workshops





***SAS enjoyed
3 days of
learning &
connecting
with other
other Self
Advocates!***

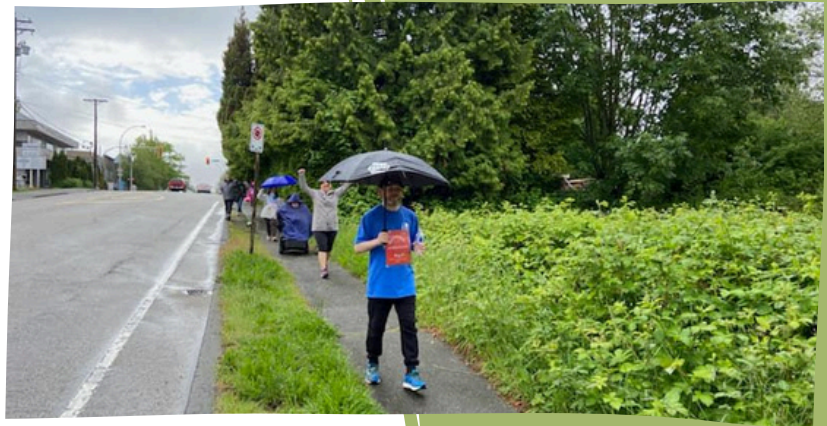


Inclusion **BC Conference**

Clothing Sale

***SAS is excited
to announce
that this
year's New to
You Clothing
Sale raised
\$4,260 to go
towards SAS
initiatives
and creating
change
through
positive
relationships!***





SAS hosted their first Accessibility Walk & had some great conversations around improvements that need to be made in our neighbourhood.



Accessibility Walk

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CLIC Storyteller Series

Kelly **Graham**

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Kelly Graham

Registered
Massage Therapist
and Teacher

Interview by
Jeevan Basra
CLIC Storyteller.

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Jeevan Basra: What have you learned in CLIC that is helping you to grow as a leader?

My name is Kelly Graham Tick. I'm a Mum, a curious questioner, a forest and animal lover, and a heart-centered care giver. I was inspired to join CLIC to learn compassionate leadership skills in order to connect, educate, and support intentional change within the inequitable systems of healthcare.

I have been graciously impacted by Kathleen's grounded wisdom and display of leadership. Her stories and exercises gently nudge us into deeper discovery of ourselves, our biases and strengths, while creating a safe space to learn and ask hard questions. I have gained insight through examining what I and what others hold dear, what risks are involved in creating change, and to have compassion for the process. This awareness allows me to contribute more fully to values-based discussion, which opens to meaningful action in our communities.

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collaboration between
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Denise **Ulmer**

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Program Supervisor,
Sheena's Place Shelter

Interview by
Krista Milne and
Jeevan Basra,
CLIC Storytellers.

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Krista Milne: How has taking CLIC impacted you? What have you learned?

Denise: The last 12 weeks with CLIC has been such a positive experience; I am feeling more determined to make changes in my community with the skills and knowledge I have gained. I am grateful for the connections made with all of the kind and thoughtful women in the program. The support and inspiration is a large part of the success I had getting through the past few months. Kathleen has been an amazing mentor and her ability to make everyone feel welcomed is a beautiful gift; I appreciate all of the lovely stories she shared with us.

I have learned leadership comes from the heart and if one has the willingness to be curious, listen attentively and have compassion towards others they can be on their way to make positive changes. I have learned that I am okay to be where I am with my ideas and thoughts and not to compare or judge myself so quickly. I recognize that being vulnerable does not mean weakness or shame and that I have a voice and not to be afraid to say what I want or express how I feel.

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Kathy **Marley**

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Kathy Marley

volunteer for mental health

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Alexa Lehwald: How has taking CLIC impacted you? What have you learned?

Kathy: My name is Katherine Marley. I'm a disabled woman living in Surrey. I am a poet and I love to sing. I'm learning how to connect to myself and others in a more authentic way and feel drawn to learn more about how to do that. I'd like to create more purpose in my life through helping others in my community, and am grateful to have had the opportunity to learn how to understand and break down barriers I face and ways I can move forward with confidence into a leadership role.

CLIC has given me the confidence to imagine myself as a leader. It's made me feel more capable and that my contributions are of value. Being in a learning environment again was very energizing and empowering, and I look forward to staying in contact with my cohort and the rest of the CLIC Alumni. I have learned so much; that it is essential for a leader to be authentic, compassionate and curious. I've learned the value of examining my values, and I know this will serve me in all areas of my life going forward. I feel supported by the wider CLIC community and am so excited to see everyone's journeys as they implement what we have all learned together. I am grateful to have so much support to draw upon as I explore ideas and projects in the future.

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Mia **Pederson**

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High School Teacher, Rotary
Member

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Alexa Lehwald: What have you learned in CLIC that is helping you to grow as a leader?

Mia: I am always striving to grow and I want to build on my confidence in being a change maker that leads from the heart. I joined CLIC to learn to the effective leadership skills in bringing community stakeholders together for projects big and small, and how to connect a divided community.

I can honestly say after taking CLIC that I am a value based leader and that I will be truthful, compassionate and that I will strive to show true care, and will come to the table without bias. I learned to welcome confusion, conflict and chaos that may arise in leading adaptive change. I learned that reacting from emotion tends to make us one dimensional. We need to change in ourselves, so the change we'd like to see in our community actually happens.

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Niyanta **Baniya**

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City of Surrey

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Krista Milne: What have you learned in CLIC that is helping you to grow as a leader?

Niyanta: I have learned that a leader grows and thrives best in a community, and for an impactful change to occur, everything starts at a grassroots level. Joining the CLIC program has been an eye opener for me as it has allowed me to focus on my values, and on the type of leader I want to be. Previously, I used to feel overwhelmed by all the complex issues affecting communities at large but now, I see them as opportunities to make a change.

During the course of the program, I have learned valuable tools and framework that I can utilize to enhance my leadership skills. I have also gained a network of leaders who have taken small yet impactful steps for change leading to great benefits for their communities. They have inspired me to lead with my heart and work on causes that speak to me the most. As I move forward, I want to carry and apply a favorite quote of mine in this leadership journey: "The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones."

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Elizabeth **Sundvall**

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Elizabeth Sundvall

Client Services Co-ordinator at
Surrey Food Bank

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Krista Milne: Why did you decide to take CLIC?

Elizabeth: My name is Elizabeth Sundvall and I am the Client Services Coordinator at the Surrey Food Bank. At the Food bank my goal is to provide low income clients connections to the community to help them succeed in life and fight poverty. This is why I have come to this program, to help build and create new connections to those out in the community so we can work together to build a safety net and a support network for those that are struggling. It takes a village to raise a child, and I want to create that village for my clients.

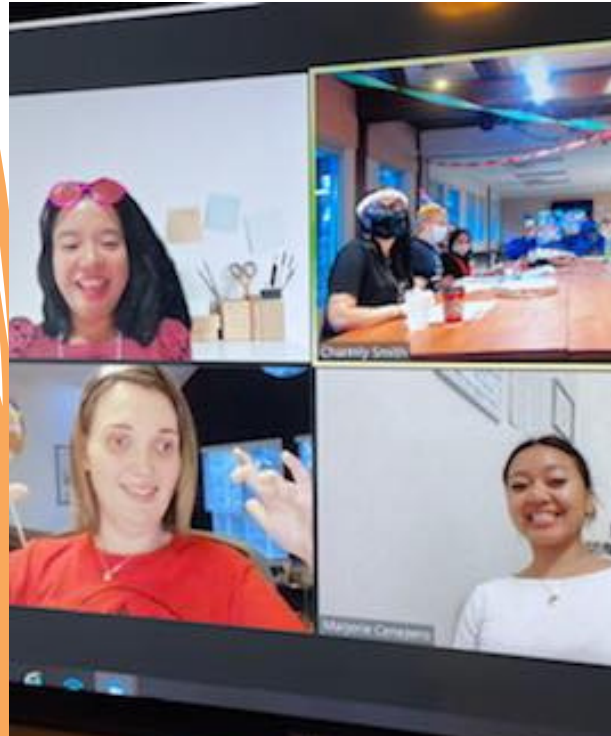
The second reason I am here is because of my love of learning. I recently heard this quote "you are exchanging a day of your life for this day" and it made me realize just how valuable this life is, and I want to use each moment as a learning opportunity and challenge myself. So I am here to challenge myself to become a leader in our community.

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SpeakTacular

Toastmasters Club



***SAS ended the season
with a potluck, some
reflections on the season,
& SAS Awards!***



End of Year
Party