

Coming Home

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It's a good thing we've been paying attention, because with all of the things going on like BACI's accreditation, the Ministry's restructuring, and the creation of Community Living British Columbia, we might have missed the wonder that has taken place on Marlborough Street.

Two men were finally given the chance to come home from Willow Clinic, and BACI was given the opportunity to revisit the foundational values of community living and re-commit ourselves to them, and to the men.

Watching the two men as they experience their new home and neighbourhood, and witnessing the struggle that comes with freedom and the challenge that comes from limitless possibilities, has been inspiring. Reconnecting with friends, and in the case of one of the men, finding a brother right at Still Creek, has been simply amazing.

The path ahead won't always be smooth, but it is the right path. BACI began its journey almost fifty years ago. Hundreds have joined in that journey and with each traveler our commitment to stay on the path is strengthened.

So thank you to the men of Victory House who have joined in the journey and helped strengthen our commitment to it.

Special thanks to the Victoria Foundation, the Ministry of Children and Families and BACI's dedicated staff for making it possible for these men to come home.