

2016 CHILD REPORT UPDATE

2015 BC Child Poverty Report Card

Stats (low income families, based on the low-income after tax measures, 2013):

Campbell River:

- ⇒ **23%** poor children 0 – 17 years old – 1570 (16% in 2006)
- ⇒ **26%** children 0-5 years old – 570 poor children

Strathcona Regional District:

- ⇒ 24.5% of children 0 to 17 years old

The lone-parent family income is lower in Campbell River (\$30,256) than in BC (\$42,610) or Island Health (\$40,914).

Campbell River had a higher teen mother rate (**54.4 per 1,000**) compared to BC (**27.1 per 1,000**) and Island Health (**39.0 per 1,000**).

Living Wage on Cortes Island—\$16.29 (2014)

The minimum rate of pay earned by two adults working fulltime to meet the basic needs of the house-

Number of families moving to Sayward has increased.

This document outlines a few key indicators with updates from the 2014 Campbell River State of the Child Report.

Higher rate of children in need of protection, rate per 1,000 children aged 0 to 18 years -- **23.5%** (CRVIW) - compared to **6.4%** (BC) **12.1%** (Island Health).

Higher percentage of male lone parent families in Campbell River (8.2%) than BC (5.7%) or Island Health (7.0%).

Food Costing 2015

- ◆ Food insecure children may have poorer academic outcomes and social skills compared to children who do not experience food insecurity
- ◆ Food insecure children have poorer general health
- ◆ Child hunger is an independent risk factor for depression and suicidal symptoms in adolescence and early adulthood.

\$985/month for North Vancouver Island

An increase of \$37 from 2013

5068 visits from children 1 – 17 years in 2015 at the local food bank

a decrease from 2014 - 5,619