

## Mission Hospice Society

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### **Diana Dufour Zand**

Diana began with Mission Community Skills Centre in March 2019 and in November she was promoted to Manager of Employment Programs and Human Resources.

Diana is passionate about people and is a champion for their growth; whether she is advocating for clients or for her team. Diana has been in the Career Development field for almost 15 years and has worked for various organizations as Facilitator, Case Manager, Job Developer, and Program Manager. Prior to her work in the career development field she founded a successful non-profit organization that supported women and children in crisis. The non-profit operated a community Thrift Store that created two full time jobs, three part time jobs and numerous volunteer positions. Previous to this Diana worked in corporate management with the largest security company in Canada at the time. Diana is a Certified Career Development Practitioner and also possess a Provincial Instructors Diploma and in 2017 she acquired a Bachelor's Degree in Adult Education as well as a TESOL.

### **Krista Cardinal**

Krista Cardinal improves efficiency and increases staff productivity through analyzing workflow. She works in tandem with leaders to develop and administer processes in accordance with bylaws, policy and regulations. She assists with development of criteria to ensure compliance and standardize procedures.

As a Project Administrative Coordinator for Canstar Restorations she is a valued team member. Helping families in disaster situations to repair their property and their wellbeing. She is proud to work with a local company that supports a variety of charitable organizations and community initiatives. These include the SPCA, BC Cancer Society, Habitat for Humanity and New Westminster Fire and Rescue Services.

Her passion for helping people started with her involvement as a cub leader with Boy Scouts of Canada and continues with organizations such as Habitat for Humanity. Currently Krista sits as a director and secretary for a local political Riding Association. Working as a dedicated committee member for Partner Family Selection Committee, she liaised with potential families for future housing placement, including interviewing the families and getting to know them on a heart to heart level. Some of her most cherished memories are working side by side with volunteers from all different walks of life; sharing, learning and becoming a family.

### **Candyce Fowle**

My name is Candyce Fowle. Hospice Kamloops has been a huge part of my family over the last couple years and became family to us. I understand the important of Hospice to community and family. I am currently the Senior Lead in the Fare Infraction Department at Translink and have been with them for 14 years. I am an owner of Inspire Me Fitness along with my wife Denise, and community philanthropist. I

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enjoy taking every opportunity to raise funds for several local charities and nonprofit organizations. In the last few years Inspire Me Fitness used fitness to create diversity awareness and has raised \$10,000+ for various charities. As a result of these efforts Inspire Me Fitness was the winner of the 2018 Mission Chamber of Commerce Locus focus award and was a finalist 3 years in a row. We have also received our second nomination for the Fraser Valley Cultural Diversity Award. I currently sit on the board of directors for Fraser Valley Youth Society as well as committees such as Fraser Valley Pride Committee, The FVYS Gala Committee. I am also going to be involved, in the coming months, in the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Task Force with Translink. Community and supporting nonprofits is something very important to both myself and my family. When I am not volunteering or fundraising I enjoy hiking, camping and being outdoors with my wife Denise, our 11 year old daughter Quincie, and our two dogs.

### **Gina Kreml**

#### Family History:

I have lived with my husband and 2 children in Mission over 30 years. Since the mid-70s when my parents made their retirement home at Hatzic Lake, we have been apart of the growth and development of our community and continue to enjoy living in Mission. Our children attended school and were graduated from Hatzic Secondary High School and both benefitted from their many programmes and sports activities while they lived in Mission.

#### Volunteer and Work History:

From 1988-1994 I was a primary classroom assistant at E.R. Richards school and also served on the Hospice Society Board. From 1995-1998 I was the Hospice coordinator for Mission Hospice. During that time my role was to coordinate client with Hospice visitor, maintain follow-up and provide bereavement counselling to clients, family members and facilitate development of programs and workshops focusing on the Hospice concept. Under the direction of Dr. Lynn Potter I met with the Palliative Care Team in Mission Memorial Hospital.

I hold a MSW degree and from 1998-2012 worked with families from our community. As a family therapist I provided therapeutic counselling for Ministry of Children and Families as well as to members of the Mission community. From 2006-2012, under direction of the Social Work department, I was a field supervisor for Bachelor of Social Work students, University of Fraser Valley.

As of 2019, I became a member of the Citizen's Advisory Committee at the Fraser Valley Institute for Women. This committee serves to facilitate open dialogue and communication pertaining issues of concern to inmates and administrative staff members.

Hospice as an approach to end of live care continues to resonate with my values and beliefs while supporting patients and families during this time of life.



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