

EFry Staff Newsletter



Keep Shining

A few months ago, a group of women at Firth came together to create beautiful chalk drawings as a reminder to keep pushing forward through difficult times. As this unprecedented pandemic unfolds, EFry staff are pushing through to provide vital support to society's most vulnerable. Because of you, our clients are able to stay safe and healthy. Thank you for paving the way for our clients to reach for the stars. Let's continue to uplift, inspire, and take care of each other.



EFry Superstar: Meet Rosie

A few years earlier, Rosie built a reputation as the woman who saves lives on Surrey's 135A Street, the epicentre of the opioid and homelessness crisis in the city. On a daily basis, Rosie administered naloxone to overdose victims bringing them back to life.

"I did what I had to do to save lives because I was there, too," said Rosie. "10 years ago, I was in the Downtown Eastside, bitten up by bed bugs. Helping people on the Surrey Strip and doing what I do now with EFry is a way for me to give back to the community."

Today, Rosie works as a Peer Support Specialist at EFry where she supports clients in building brighter futures for themselves. Recently, Rosie worked with multiple clients from a tent city in Surrey to get housing.

"I'm here to build rapport with clients, to advocate for clients, and to support clients in building a better quality of life for themselves and their children," said Rosie. "Healing trauma is a hard job. I was able to get through that and now I can support clients in their journey of healing and resiliency."



Thank you.

Words from EFry Supporters

During this unprecedented time, your work is not going unnoticed. EFry has received an outpouring of words of encouragement and thanks to EFry staff from supporters. Here are a few messages that we received through social media:

"Big hug to all you and my deepest gratitude for the work and services you all provide." - Marlene

"Thank you. You are our heroes. Thank you for being there during this scary unprecedented time. Please stay safe too. Thank you for helping so many of the vulnerable. Blessings to you all." - Elizabeth

"Thank you for your great work on important causes. You make a difference." - Laurie

"Shout out to everyone at EFry who are on the front lines providing essential services and supporting some of the most vulnerable women in our communities." - Thuy

"Thank you to the staff and volunteers at EFry for the work you all do. You are inspiring." - Aliyah



EFry Pawsitive News

Paws for a moment to meet Drey! Drey is a French Bulldog who works at Surrey TPA with his mom Vanessa. I do my best job to make people feel welcome and safe as they come into the office. MORE INFO TBA or replace with Harley



The Coldest Night of the Year (CNOY) is a national walk-a-thon that helps raise funds for vulnerable families and individuals in the community. This year, CNOY was held on February 22, 2020 and EFry staff gathered together to participate in the walk-a-thon and raised over \$1,000! Congratulations to the EFry team for walking and raising fund in support of housing the homeless. We are so proud to see how well EFry did at CNOY. Thank you to everyone who donated!





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