



## Seeking partner with facility and need

Glenwest is a licensed, accredited, Non-profit Out of School care Centre and Charitable organization. We have been providing before and after school and kindergarten care since 1983 to approximately 35 families in the community. This includes approximately 10- 12 kindergarten children ( 4.5 - 6 yrs old) and 36-38 school age children ( 6 to 12 yrs old).

Glenwest currently operates a successful workplace for 6 staff members, is home to 48 children for their before and after school care needs and offers 6 Board Positions to its parents.

We service the following Schools in the Glenbrook neighborhood for before and after kindergarten and before and after school children:

- Ecole Holy Name
- St. Thomas Aquinas School
- Glenbrook School
- Glendale School
- Calgary Christian School

At this time Glenwest needs a community group, or an employer, with the facility and the desire to work with us because Glenwest is now in danger of dissolving in the event we don't find space to relocate before December 31st, 2018. Our by-laws state that we must give Parents 3 months notice in changes of this nature, so our true deadline September 30<sup>th</sup> is even closer.

As a nonprofit Society, Glenwest is committed and able to create a win- win situation in our community based on the fact that we currently are a fully staffed and equipped out of school program. We have vehicles available for transportation to and from schools (Bus and a Van), the program plan and the knowledge and expertise of long term committed Staff and Board members to help expedite the process.

Our Centre's mandate is to support families accessing affordable childcare. Rather than profiting, Glenwest reinvests in resources that will help provide high quality programs and activities for the children in our community. Most quality after school programs have a substantial wait list and we already have the children enrolled and a waitlist for our service.

In order for our centre to continue operating the space requirements for a building willing to accommodate Glenwest are as follows: 2500 sq ft space, the ability for children to access a park in the community within walking distance for gross motor activities, 24 hours parking 2 parking stalls ( bus and van) ( 10 parking stalls available from 7am to 6pm ). Access to washrooms and proximity to at least one school (walking distance) and proximity to a Bus or LRT stations are also important.

Ideally we will have access to a kitchen for children's baking activities or to prepare snacks and a gym ( not mandatory).

One additional goal of our strategic planning is to create the potential for growth of the Glenwest program. If our future space would also meet the requirements for a full-day Childcare program (6 months to 5 years old), to be added to our out of school program, then our Board of Directors considers extending our mandate and updating our by-laws to facilitate this growth and deepen our level of service to our community.

If you believe that your organization and facility would be a good match for Glenwest Centre for Child Care and create a win-win for us and our larger community, then please reach out to our Business Plan Committee and/or our Board of Directors. We are excited to create a new long-term partnership in our neighborhood.

For further information, anyone interested in working to open an out of school care/ childcare centre please contact: Violeta Petri , Executive Director at 403-990-0552 or [director@glenwestcentreforchildren.com](mailto:director@glenwestcentreforchildren.com)  
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