### What is National Child Day?

It's a specially designated day to mark two historic events: the 1959 signing by Canada of the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Child; and the adoption of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in 1989.

Most importantly it's a day to remember that children need support, encouragement and respect to grow to their full potential – and that we each have a part to play.

#### What are Children's Rights?

As a signatory of the *United Nations Convention* on the Rights of the Child, Canada is obligated to comply with each of the articles listed in the Convention.

www2.ohchr.org/english/law/crc.htm

Declaration of the Rights of the Child states, "the child, by reason of his physical and mental immaturity, needs special safeguards and care, including appropriate legal protection, before as well as after birth."

#### Why wear a blue ribbon?

Wearing a blue ribbon shows that you support Canada's children having prime consideration in all economic, social and political decisions, policies, programs and expenditures.

## For more information on the Convention on the Rights of the Child:

- www.unicef.org/crc/
- www.childday.gc.ca



For information on programs and services that support children in your community, call 211 or visit www.211edmonton.com





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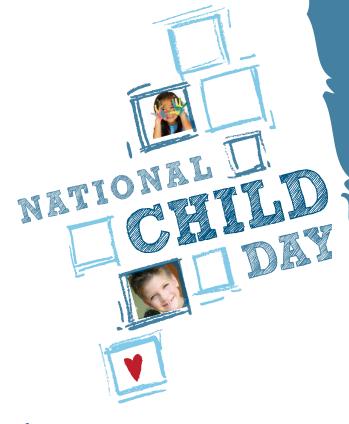


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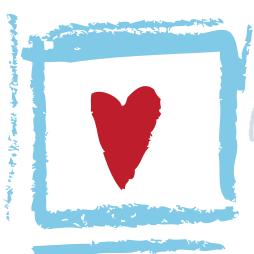


### **Protection**

Children have the right to be protected from abuse, neglect, exploitation and discrimination.







### **Provision**

Children have the right to an adequate standard of living, health care and to play.



#### Organize an event for children or teens.



# **Participation**

Children have the right to express their views about things that affect them and to participate in communities, programs and services.

