



Vancouver Island Crisis Society

1970–2020

Interactions related to COVID-19 Pandemic from September 1 to 30, 2020*

Age		Gender	
0-18	3	Female	85
19-24	4	Male	49
25-39	7	Gender Diverse	1
40-64	63	Unknown	0
65+	19		
Unknown	39		
Total	135	Total	135

This represents **5%** of 2,717 interactions for this time period.

* In addition, we responded to 720 interactions for **Canada Suicide Prevention Service** during this time, with 44 (6%) of these interactions relating to the COVID-19 pandemic. We averaged 115 total interactions per day in September.



Vancouver Island Crisis Line

1-888-494-3888
24 hours/day
7 days/week



Crisis Chat
www.vicrisis.ca



Crisis Text
250-800-3806



Both from
6pm to 10pm
7 days/week

Public Access to Mental Health and Substance Use Services on Vancouver Island

vicrisis.ca

CELEBRATING OUR HISTORY: THE MID 2000s

2004

- Community resources became available on line, thanks to a VIHA contract.
- In February, the Cowichan Women Against Violence Society formed a call transfer partnership with CVICS.
- A strong relationship developed with Cowichan Tribes.
- All staff members were certified as Crisis Workers through the American Association of Suicidology.
- In April, CVICS received additional VIHA funding for extended services.
- the District 69 Crisis Line and the Cowichan Crisis Line became public access for Mental Health and Addiction Crisis Services/Crisis Response Team.
- A new CVICS logo was developed.
- The Crisis Society participated in CISM (Critical Incident Stress Management) training efforts within community.

2005

- The Crisis Society's administrative offices were relocated.
- The Community Resource Directory grew to provide individual resources for four communities and resources for all communities in Central Vancouver Island.