

Calgary Family Services Training Institute Beyond Broken Windows

Calgary Family Services is pleased to introduce The Training Institute and Beyond Broken Windows, a training program designed to meet the needs of those agencies working to address bullying issues in their community. The Institute's trainers bring with them a unique understanding of teen brain development, adolescent attachment and theories of social change.

What is Beyond Broken Windows? Wilson and Kelling argue that crime is the inevitable result of disorder. If a broken window is left un-repaired people passing will assume that no one cares and no one is in charge. Soon, more broken windows will follow and anarchy will spread from the building to the street to the community at large.

In the classroom, seemingly minor problems like trash on the floor, writing on desktops and disrespectful comments are all Broken Windows. The Institute's training program looks at how this theory of Broken Windows, when blended with an understanding of teen brain development, can be applied in the school environment, effectively changing the social climate that results in bullying.

Beyond Broken Windows is provided free of charge* to those agencies working to address bullying, in a variety of settings, including, but not limited to: schools, youth justice, youth centers and community counselling agencies.

To obtain more information regarding the Training Institute at Calgary Family Services or to book Beyond Broken Windows you can contact Marlene O'Neill-Laberge at 403-399-1348 or traininginstitute@calgaryfamilyservices.org

*host agency will be responsible for trainer's transportation costs