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- A growing number of service providers are working with vulnerable youth in the Greater Victoria region, among them Pacific Centre Family Services Association, The White Hatter, Safer Schools Together, Youth Empowerment Society, Kiwanis Youth Society, Sanctuary, the Victoria Native Friendship Centre, Deborah's Gate, Canadian Centre for Child Protection, Children of the Street Society, cybertip.ca, needhelpnow.ca, the Victoria Child Abuse Prevention and Counselling Centre, Discovery Youth Services and The Foundry.