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Every memorable hockey team needs a memorable crest on the front of its jersey. When it came time to create a logo to bring the Kootenay Patricks to life on the ice, it was fitting to place the responsibility in the hands of an individual who has benefitted and flourished from programs offered by Make A Change Canada.

Adam Mohl graduated from Make A Change Canada’s web and graphic design program in 2009. Since that time, he has been utilizing his creative and artistic talents in a number of capacities, including logo design. For tonight’s hockey game, Adam came up with a design that helps define the history of the name with a modern look that stands out on the ice and will be a cherished keepsake for the community. From Drumheller, Alberta, Adam has always had a talent for graphic design. In grade school, while his classmates were simply doodling, Adam was sketching logos.

Adam wanted to further his design education as an adult, but had to consider his limitations as well. Living in Drumheller, Alberta, meant that Adam would have to travel to Calgary to attend a classroom-based program in order to refine his skills. Born with hydrocephalus—a condition in which accumulation of cerebrospinal fluid occurs within the brain causing increased pressure inside the skull—sitting in a classroom for long periods of time was clearly out of the question. With reduced



mobility acting as a barrier, Adam read about Make A Change Canada in a local newspaper. He realized that a virtual classroom was the perfect solution for him.

Make A Change Canada’s graphic design program stood out from the distance and online courses he had taken previously, which had only left him feeling isolated. With Make A Change Canada, he found a real difference because the instructors made it a priority to interact with students.

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“It was fully interactive,” he says. “You could talk out your problems with other students since they were going through similar things.”

Besides gaining new design and programming skills, Adam credits the program with building his résumé and helping him develop contacts in the web design industry. Make A Change Canada invigorated his existing design talents and taught him the equally important skill of marketing himself online.

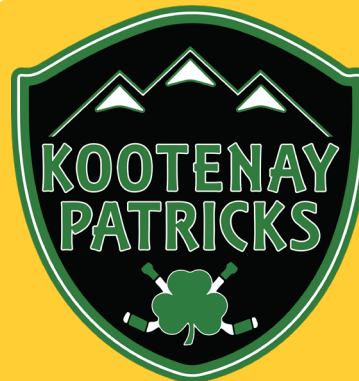
**“Without a doubt, I would recommend the business program to others wanting to make a positive transition in their lives.”**



“Make A Change Canada helped me learn new skills, which helped me personally get on the right track,” Adam says. “There are others out there who have inspirations and dreams, but for whatever reason have difficulty achieving them. We’re never alone!”

Not surprisingly, Adam has this advice for anyone seeking a new career path or direction: “Keep going with your God-given talents.”

You can learn more about Adam Mohl at his website: [www.adamohl.com](http://www.adamohl.com).



The Kootenay Patricks logo designed by Adam Mohl for Make A Change Canada's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary charity hockey game



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