



### **Ally Whittingham – Kootenay ICE**

Finding a new family to billet with after a trade can always be a weird experience, but for Kootenay ICE forward Colton Veloso, it's a good thing Ally Whittingham was there. Veloso got to join the family dynamic that included two of Ally's own children who are just beginning their respective minor hockey careers. Whittingham has provided all of Veloso's needs and has been there for him, accepting him with open arms, helping with the transition. Building a level of trust between the two has helped to create a positive dynamic between Colton, Colton's mother, and Ally that has helped to allow Veloso to focus directly on hockey. Providing a home with love and care has made Ally a key part of the billeting process for the ICE organization.