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20. E. Morrison, Program Manager, Government Leadership Academy – email dated January 2, 2018 – LGLA Forum Registration Deadline Approaching
21. BC Air Access Program – email dated December 20, 2017 – BC Air Access Program – Application Intake Open (until February 9, 2018)
22. A. Slater, Executive Director, SILGA – letter dated December 14, 2017 – SILGA Convention – Call for Nominations 2018
23. A. Slater, Executive Director, SILGA – letter dated December 14, 2017 – Call for Resolutions for 2018 Convention
24. A. Slater, Executive Director, SILGA – email – SOSCP
25. M. Carr, Assistant Deputy Minister and General Manager, Liquor Control and Licensing Branch – Policy Directive dated December 12, 2017 – Off-premises sales endorsement changes, licensee retail store (LRS) relocations, manufacturer guided tours, and fraternal societies and veterans clubs reporting requirements

26. Health Canada – email dated December 13, 2017 – Health Canada: Unauthorized natural health products including “SmartBrain Formulations” and “Cutting Edge Naturals” sold by Robert Lamberton Consulting may pose health risks
27. Health Canada – email dated December 15, 2017 – Health Canada Information: Mental Health – Coping With Stress
28. MoTCYCLING – email dated December 20, 2017 – BikeBC Program – Application Intake Open (until February 9, 2018)
29. P. Kulmala, Outreach, Information and Education, The Office of the Ombudsperson – email - BC Ombudsperson Informational Brochures
30. FCM Media Relations – media release dated December 11, 2017 - Municipalities welcome steps toward fair cannabis revenue sharing
31. Y. May, BC CiB Chair, and C. Kennedy, Executive Director, Communities in Bloom – letter dated December 6, 2017 – Recognition and Bloom Award Program for Municipalities
32. D. Findlater, Mayor, District of West Kelowna – letter dated December 13, 2017 – Cannabis sales
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35. J. Jeyes, Mayor, Village of Ashcroft – letter dated December 12, 2017 - Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels
36. R. Hovanes, Mayor, Town of Oliver – letter dated December 13, 2017 - Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels
37. M. Richman, Mayor, Village of Pemberton – letter dated December 15, 2017 - Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels
38. D. Bumstead, Mayor, City of Dawson Creek – letter dated December 19, 2017 - Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels
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40. J. Brown, Mayor, Township of Spallumcheen – letter dated December 19, 2017 - Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels
41. C. Peters – email dated December 13, 2017 – Globe and Mail article: more important news re sexual assault cases/missing persons-trafficking will be connected/involved



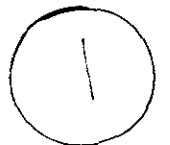
**CITY OF SALMON ARM
BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT
DECEMBER 2017**

**LAST YEAR (2016)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE**

**CURRENT YEAR (2017)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE**

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	1	450,000	85	23,910,690	3	806,000	130	39,054,825
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	5	89,400	122	4,480,055	13	340,200	138	4,913,952
3	New Modulares/MH's (Factory Built)	1	163,000	32	4,531,585	-	-	17	2,863,700
4	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulares/MH's	1	4,500	13	133,700	-	-	15	166,435
5	MFD's (# Units)	-	-	4 (35)	2,690,000	-	-	4 (16)	3,418,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	1	4,000	2	54,000	-	-	2	21,000
7	New Commercial	-	-	2	1,695,000	-	-	7	1,241,000
8	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	1	50,000	24	909,250	-	-	23	1,094,900
9	New Industrial	-	-	3	406,080	-	-	5	560,433
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	1	500,000	2	515,000	-	-	3	44,500
11	New Institutional	-	-	2	1,200,000	-	-	2	10,900,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	-	-	9	430,000	-	-	5	35,200
13	Signs	2	2,800	44	146,299	5	97,155	40	211,096
14	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	-	-	9	317,000	1	65,000	3	150,000
15	Demolitions	-	-	22	-	1	-	18	-
16	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	-	-	4	-	-	-	2	-
17	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	1	-	27	-	-	-	20	-
	TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	14	1,263,700	406	41,418,659	23	1,308,355	434	64,675,041

MFD's - Apartment, Row, Duplex, Strata (# of dwelling units created)
Farm building values not included



BUILDING PERMITS - YEARLY												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
2001	585,500	11,938,550	12,265,250	12,842,790	13,534,790	14,712,550	16,330,650	17,717,625	19,031,075	19,895,255	21,318,855	21,458,195
2002	585,500	1,952,500	3,340,850	3,821,240	5,455,840	6,411,690	8,844,690	10,932,510	15,780,890	16,705,600	17,738,200	17,923,700
2003	130,110	920,780	2,974,020	4,486,120	5,993,320	13,294,120	15,555,250	17,937,005	20,318,920	22,000,340	24,005,740	24,782,360
2004	430,700	1,506,500	5,903,780	8,379,104	10,122,768	12,086,319	14,779,343	21,598,763	30,371,023	33,614,173	34,957,458	35,881,343
2005	1,072,000	2,269,650	4,344,750	6,806,152	12,110,482	28,031,457	29,985,585	34,743,645	37,600,445	42,915,856	45,525,611	47,576,746
2006	815,550	3,224,468	8,012,449	11,501,929	16,084,809	20,066,533	23,714,194	26,370,890	36,479,806	37,278,358	42,332,995	43,077,170
2007	1,531,087	3,901,669	16,148,674	22,413,118	27,232,134	32,401,472	35,657,297	42,829,750	51,945,799	55,703,387	65,885,802	66,289,555
2008	1,797,604	4,203,429	12,947,058	27,647,379	33,857,533	36,582,025	39,759,375	42,395,454	45,412,474	50,699,301	53,383,541	53,522,880
2009	409,369	864,839	2,039,460	5,207,311	6,763,615	7,800,085	9,677,455	11,579,746	18,882,737	20,713,554	23,523,664	24,337,664
2010	1,518,563	2,708,062	5,931,546	10,081,816	12,260,236	13,526,546	16,597,121	18,790,511	19,848,804	21,174,632	22,953,692	27,249,702
2011	568,645	2,003,976	5,063,837	7,449,773	9,471,416	11,761,850	12,794,028	14,222,970	18,194,801	19,682,061	30,563,013	31,934,415
2012	2,189,660	3,128,562	4,794,040	6,337,260	10,000,544	12,120,246	17,883,185	24,375,078	26,118,787	26,493,820	28,130,500	28,666,430
2013	881,740	1,440,110	13,907,060	15,814,195	17,433,454	20,194,778	23,204,628	24,180,485	26,567,302	29,195,224	30,890,086	31,231,349
2014	665,304	2,806,404	8,075,941	20,789,869	27,574,834	29,877,686	33,456,523	41,971,923	42,784,769	44,804,191	46,460,471	47,707,993
2015	1,172,285	1,853,539	3,894,754	6,750,389	8,575,425	18,388,180	20,475,407	26,442,225	29,143,303	31,248,595	35,417,465	37,368,595
2016	1,268,865	2,298,280	4,987,625	8,904,610	12,253,660	16,279,464	19,285,124	23,811,029	29,823,014	36,084,949	40,154,959	41,418,659
2017	1,183,280	2,841,725	7,219,495	11,761,657	18,136,656	23,823,576	30,793,243	36,066,891	52,130,226	59,858,542	63,366,686	64,675,041

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December 20, 2017

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Nadine Quilty
Salmon Arm Waves

Attention: Nadine Quilty

Dear Madam:

RE: 2018 POLAR BEAR SWIM – MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2018

Reference is made to your correspondence dated December 19, 2017.

I am pleased to advise that use of the Canoe Public Beach has been authorized to facilitate the 2018 Polar Bear Swim, subject to the provision of adequate supervision and Comprehensive General Liability Insurance with a limit of not less than \$2,000,000.00 inclusive per occurrence for bodily injury (including death, personal injury and property damage with the City of Salmon Arm named as an "Additional Insured"). *Please forward a copy of liability insurance for the 2017 event to the City of Salmon Arm PRIOR to the event.*

Please note, the washrooms at Canoe Beach are not capable of being open during the winter months as they are not heated, so other arrangements will need to be made. There may also be some costs involved should the site or parking areas require any preparation such as snow removal, etc. The costs associated with this work will be the responsibility of the event organizers.

Yours truly,

Robert Niewenhuizen, A.Sc.T
Director of Engineering and Public Works

cc. Rob Hein, Manager of Public Works
RCMP/Fire Department/Ambulance Officials
Council Information Correspondence

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From: Donna Miller [<mailto:millerdonnal@hotmail.com>]
Sent: December-21-17 10:56 PM
To: Nancy Cooper
Subject: Transport running red lights

Hi. Here is the information you requested from our conversation.

Dec 17, 2017 at 8:05 pm, my husband and I were at the intersection leaving Walmart. The light turned green for us to turn onto the TCH and I noticed a transport truck going fast and appeared to be picking up speed as he got closer. He was coming from the West heading into town. I mentioned to Keith that the transport looked like he wasn't going to stop and we should wait and not get hit. Keith stopped our car in the intersection leaving the eastbound lanes clear. The transport suddenly decided to stop and got the rig stopped in the intersection. We continued to turn left toward town now that he stopped and continued on into town. When we got to the Shuswap Ave intersection, we stopped for the red light. The same transport truck when right by us through the red light. When the light turned green, we continued up the TCH, heading for home. The transport was going slower up the hill and we caught up to him. I took down the information on the truck to report him. It is as follows:

Ontario license #E4 62M

Tractor # BC398

Writing on the side of the tractor. Canadian National Transport Ltd

Weight and other numbers but no phone number

Trailer had a large CN on the side

As we were beside him just past the Padolan Hotel, Keith was on his horn and I showed the driver that I had recorded his info. The cab was dark so I couldn't see his face.

The next day I came to City Hall to tell you and they said go to the police station. I went to the police station and it was too late so I came home and went on line to CNTL, police tips and gave them my info.

The day before yesterday, I got a call from an officer in the Kamloops detachment who handles these complaints. He is contacting CNTL in Vancouver and Alberta to lay the complaint. He also said to call you and get a camera put in to get these guys on film, which we spoke about today.

Hope this helps get us a camera at the lights.

Donna

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From: Rob Niewenhuizen
Sent: December 18, 2017 8:06 AM
To: 'cathy moe'
Cc: greg.kyllo.mla@leg.bc.ca; Carl Bannister
Subject: RE: Handidart and bus services

Good morning


Thank you for your email, although the Handi Dart is a service provided by the Shuswap Transit System it is managed by BC Transit. I will make some inquiries to see what options are available in regards to buses that can accommodate larger scooters and mobility devices.

BC Transit works in partnership with the City of Salmon Arm to provide funding and service delivery for the Shuswap Transit System, any changes to the existing service would require City of Salmon Arm and BC Transit approval as the program is jointly funded by both parties.

I will also be forwarding your email to City Council for their review and consideration.

Best regards,

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From: cathy moe [<mailto:cmoe2013@outlook.com>]
Sent: December 16, 2017 9:48 AM
To: Rob Niewenhuizen
Cc: greg.kyllo.mla@leg.bc.ca
Subject: Handidart and bus services

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Hi. I am sending this email in reference to the Salmon Arm Handi Dart and city bus service.

My husband has a mobility disability and is now in need of an electric scooter to enable him to have access to the community. Unfortunately our handi dart or busses do not allow him to use the services due to the regulations on the size of scooter being no larger than 2 by 4. My husband is 6 ft 2" and is only able to fit a little larger scooter. Our services will not allow this. I'm sure my husband is not alone on this as his height is not unusually tall. We live in Canoe and now he is unable to get to town using our services. The medical supply companies have very little scooters that are under the size that is allowed. And people who are tall with disabilities are affected by this. My question is can Salmon arm not have a larger handidart bus in order to accommodate people with disabilities? Being that Salmon arm is a retirement community I believe we need to have improved services for the aged and disabled.

Thankyou!

From: Bruce Weicker [<mailto:bweicker10@gmail.com>]

Sent: Thursday, December 21, 2017 2:21 PM

To: Bruce Weicker

Subject: Shuswap Lifeboat Society & RCMSAR 106 Annual Summary Report

Good afternoon. Because you have had contact with either or both Shuswap Lifeboat Society or Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue 106 (Shuswap), I am pleased to share with you our Annual Summary Report for 2017. Please find it attached.

Do have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Bruce

Bruce Weicker,
President, Shuswap Lifeboat Society
Operating RCMSAR 106 (Shuswap)

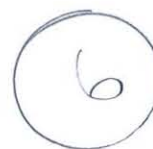


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Operating RCMSAR Station 106

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES DECEMBER 2017

RCMSAR 106 (SHUSWAP)

- 37 MISSIONS TALLING 89 HRS ON SCENE
 - 23 persons assisted
 - 14 persons saved
- 89 TRAINING EXERCISES TALLING 236 HOURS
- 36 CLASSROOM TRAINING SESSIONS TALLING 133.5 HOURS
- 515 HOURS COMPLETING STATION ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:
 - Four elementary (grades 2-3) schools visited by "Bobby the Safety Boat" to provide seven presentations to 380 students on PFD, boating and water safety instruction
 - Six community boat ramp "Pleasure Craft Courtesy Checks" to promote boating safety.
 - Six knew "Kids Don't Float" Kiosks installed bringing the total to eleven on the Shuswap
 - Three "Boating Safety" displays completed
- 3555-person hours donated by our 21 Volunteer Station Members

SHUSWAP LIFEBOAT SOCIETY

- REVISED SOCIETY CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS
- VALUATION OF VESSELS
 - Guardian One - \$ 29,000
 - Rescue One - \$180,000
 - Tolonen - \$400,000
- NEW INSURANCE PROGRAM THROUGH EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT BC (EMBC)

As the Canadian Coast Guard ceased insurance coverage for Station 106 as of June 30, 2017, secured insurance coverage for our station is now provided through Emergency Management BC.
- COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

Chase Rotary Knights of Columbus
Shuswap Lake Waterfront Owners' Assoc
Sorrento Lions Club Boating BC
North Shuswap Lions Club
SASCU Comm Fund Shuswap Comm Fndn
- FUNDING FOR GUARDIAN ONE UPGRADES - \$16,000.00
- FUNDING FOR TOLONEN PROJECT - \$27,000.00
- COMMUNITY GAMING GRANT APPLIC. FOR TOLONEN REFIT AND MODIFICATIONS

Our application has just been approved for a grant of \$143,400!



**Shuswap Association
for Community Living**

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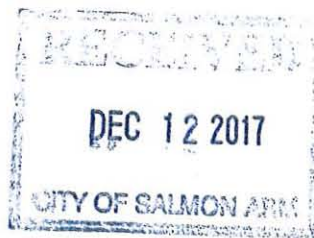
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Salmon Arm, B.C.

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November 20, 2017



Dear Mayor Cooper and Councillors:

We would like some of the City Park bathrooms to stay open all year round so we can use them when we go out on our walks. If the washrooms are not open so we can use them, then we have to go back to our program on Hudson Ave. or use other washrooms close by. Sometimes when we need to use the washrooms we really need to use and we can't wait.

We think keeping the bathrooms open all year round is good for everyone in Salmon Arm. Some City bathrooms that are closed that affect us are: Blackburn Park, McGuire Lake, Wharf parking lot and Canoe Beach.

We know it costs you lots of money to keep all the bathrooms open all year round. But can we please have the washrooms stay open at McGuire Lake and the Wharf parking through the winter?

Please write us back and let us know about the bathrooms.

Sincerely,

D E R E K
Diave. Jaine
DALE LORDE Brad
Julie
Robert Bobby
Adam Holman
James
Kathleen
Jannet
Spadola

James, Lauren, Joseph, Kathleen, Jannet, Brad, Diane, Julie, Ben, Robert and Adam

From the Health, Wellness and Life Skills Program of the

Shuswap Association of Community Living

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downtown SALMON ARM

Mayor and Council
City of Salmon Arm
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Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

December 5, 2017

Dear Mayor and Council

Re: 2nd Annual Outdoor Movie Night in the Park

Salmon Arm Downtown Improvement Association in partnership with The Salmar Community Association is hosting an Outdoor Movie Night in the Park, Saturday July 28, 2018. This is a free, family-oriented event, suitable for all ages.

We have been fortunate yet again to secure full sponsorship from Ian Gray, Salmon Arm's GM. Last year Prestige Harbourfront Hotel donated two hotel rooms for the staff who oversee the equipment. The generosity of these businesses has allowed us to proceed with this community event.

We would like to book Marine Peace Park. The event will be hosted at dusk, approximately 9:27pm. The movie will end approximately 11pm. We will require use of the Park from 4-12midnight, to allow for set-up and take-down time. The park closes at 11pm so we are seeking your permission to book the park until midnight, for the additional time required for the crowds to disperse and the equipment to be removed.

We are excited to be hosting this type of event for the second time in our beautiful Marine Peace Park.

Thank you for your continued dedication to downtown Salmon Arm and support for community events.

Regards

Lindsay Wong
Manager



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downtown SALMON ARM

Mayor and Council
City of Salmon Arm
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December 6, 2017

Dear Mayor and Council

Re: Multicultural Day 2018

The Salmon Arm Downtown Improvement Association, in partnership with Shuswap Settlement Services Society is planning on hosting a Multicultural Day, June 27, 2018.

This event will celebrate Canadian multiculturalism which ensures that all citizens can keep their identities, can take pride in their ancestry and have a sense of belonging.

Our festival vision is one that includes First Nations, SA Metis Association, the active Filipino and Syrian communities, Chinese and Indian communities and other ethnic societies.


There will be display booths, demonstrations, music and instruments from different cultures, food, theatre, storytelling.

We are seeking your support for this event, to be held at Marine Peace Park, Wednesday June 27th (Multicultural Day, Canada Heritage), 4-7pm.

Thank you for your consideration of this new initiative. Should there be further questions, please contact me.

We appreciate your continued dedication to Downtown Salmon Arm and support for community events and programming.

Regards


Lindsay Wong
Manager

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Heritage Update

To keep you informed about current heritage news and events, we bring to you this season's Heritage Update. We hope you will find this periodic newsletter both useful and entertaining. Your feedback is welcome!

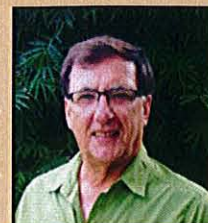


President's Report:

In spite of a very challenging season our hard working staff and volunteers came through to make this another successful year. In fact I have some impressive numbers to report. In 2017 despite weeks of relentless heat, destructive wind storms and insidious smoke the Village welcomed 15,940 visitors, an increase of 16%. Considering local tourism numbers were down according to the official count we are very pleased with our increase. Numbers for dinner theatre were down a bit but that is mostly attributed to the smoke for this popular outdoor event. Many of the 2,280 guests who came said it was the best show so far.

The season at the Village starts in May with a well-attended cleanup day. Over 70 volunteers came out to spruce up the park for the season. Over 198.5 hours were contributed on this one day. Unfortunately the first wind storm a short time later undid much of the work and forced us to close due to fallen trees. Our amazing volunteers and staff came out and put in the hours so we could open the next day. The first event is the ever popular High Tea which is a sell out every year. In July we held our Montebello opening which was a great big community party and in August the Vintage Car show was very well attended even though it rained in the morning. Our season ended with the 22nd running of the Spooktacular Halloween event. Three weeks of staff and volunteer times goes in to getting ready for the two night event. The cold and rain impacted the numbers on the first night but we made up for it the second night.

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Past President's Update:

These are exciting times for the RJ Haney Heritage Village and Museum. The Association is now just in the final stages of completing the incredibly successful Montebello Project, creating an innovative and beautiful new Museum.

However this was just Phase I of our strategic plan adopted by the Association. Now the Board and Advisory Committee members are turning their attention to Phase 2 and 3 of that plan. Phase 2 encompasses moving our tearoom into the "old" museum building and developing a larger and more functional dining room. As we depend so much on the many volunteers the plan is for an expanded kitchen to keep up to our ever growing demand for food and beverage services.

Phase 3 involves creating a Children's Museum in the "old" tearoom space in the basement of the Broadview School house. Museums are moving to create more exhibit space aimed at children to attract families and offer new educational facilities for younger patrons.

After study and consultation we plan to move to a gate admission type of entrance rather than the "admission by donation."

All of these aspects of our development will be crucial to future sustainability and create employment opportunities for our youth in the community.

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Over 648 volunteer hours go into setting up and running the event for the two nights and then it takes another week to get it all cleaned up and stored away.

I would like to thank General Manager Susan Mackie and her dedicated staff for keeping things running smoothly all year. They were a great team as always and we are very grateful for their efforts. We have 330 volunteers on our list and they contributed 7,111 hours this year. We could not operate without them. They are the best without a doubt.

In the museum there are 47,888 artefacts catalogued, up 2.16 percent this year. The archives were open 900 hours and curator Deborah Chapman has a dedicated group of nine regular volunteers. They keep things running even when she is busy working on the Montebello, writing grant applications, or newspaper articles.

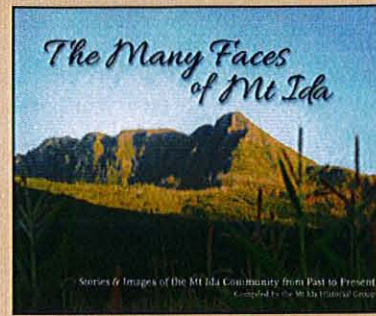
Work continued on the Montebello Museum and Deborah is busy planning the displays in the dioramas and her first exhibit in the new Gallery. We hope to complete the administration area, offices, and archive work space, so we can move everyone into the Montebello early next year.

I joined this organization in 1987 and I am very proud of everything we have accomplished. I look forward to the next 30 years. It is the people who make it happen and I thank everyone involved for all their hard work whether it is in planning, operations, maintenance or construction, it is all appreciated very much.

Norma Harisch, President



Need a great Christmas gift for someone special?



Purchase your copy of the *Many Faces of Mt. Ida* at the Village gift shop for \$25 (includes taxes).

Proceeds from the sale of the book generously donated to support RJ Haney Heritage Village and Museum. Thank you Mt. Ida Historical Group!

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We have been successful in obtaining a grant from the BC Rural Dividend fund to facilitate the strategic planning for Phase 2 and 3 and the new admission initiative. Their mission is to assist communities under 25,000 residents in meeting the demands of the future and they assessed projects as follows:

Projects were assessed and approved based on the following criteria-

- Rural communities most in need.
- Improved community resiliency and economic strength.
- Partnership building and enhanced shared prosperity.
- Project feasibility and sustainability.
- Economic impact on rural communities.
- Attracting and retaining youth.
- Innovation in economic development.

Please get involved in our planning. We welcome any comments or suggestions to help us continue making a positive contribution to the Community. Contact our General Manager Susan Mackie or Curator Deborah Chapman. Thank you.

*Doug Adams
Director*





Dates to Remember

Heritage Week—Feb 19th-24th
 Village & Marjorie's Tea Room Opens – May 16th
 Pancake Breakfast—May 19th & 20th
 High Tea—May 27th
 Father's Day—June 17th
 Dinner Theatre—July 4st–Aug 26th
 Pioneer Day—July 8th Montebello Opening!
 Soiree—TBA—9th Annual
 Classic/Antique Car Show—Aug 12th
 Harvest Celebration — Sept 9th
 Tea Room closes — Sept. 15th
 Village closes —Sept. 22rd
 Cemetery Tour—Oct. 14th
 Spooktacular—Oct 20 & 21

See the website www.salmonarmmuseum.org
 for event admission and details

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Sunday, December 10, 2017

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The Beginning of a Great Adventure



April 10, 2017. My first day as Heritage Program Assistant at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & the Salmon Arm Museum. I had no clue what to do, I didn't know anyone on the staff. I was nervous. I knew I'd do well, but I was still anxious to be starting all over again.

My family and I had recently moved home to the Okanagan from Calgary. I had spent over 20 years away from home, total. I only knew a few people still, and those were just acquaintances. I'd been through a marriage, kids, a divorce and was now remarried. I left a great, secure job at Sun Life Financial in Calgary to move home to be closer to the rest of our families. Kyle and I both grew up here, and wanted to be near our relatives, so we packed up my two boys and moved back home.

I remember spending the first few months barely looking for work. I was enjoying being home for the boys and Kyle, and we were making it on Kyle's wage from the mill. I saw the ad for the Heritage Program Assistant position on the Work BC job board. I thought, "why not?" So, I sent in my resume and cover letter.

It was a week or so until I got a phone call from Susan. She invited me into the Museum for an interview. It went really well, but I wasn't sure if this was the job for me. It was seasonal, and it didn't pay as much as I had hoped. I walked away wondering what I would do if she offered me the job. I thought about it over a few days. If she called, I was going to decline. I needed more money. And then she called. And I accepted, much to my surprise.

It was hard at first, starting a new job, meeting new people, and not knowing what the heck I was getting myself into. But sure enough, I began to really love it. I had such a wonderful time all year. The events were spectacular, the school programs were so much fun and I learned so much about Salmon Arm! I grew up in

Adventure cont.....

Enderby, and never knew any of the local history in the area. Now I go downtown, and I see McGuire Lake. I wonder what Agnes McGuire would have been like. I wonder about how she came up with the idea to sell pieces of her property to the town. If it hadn't been for her business savvy, our downtown core would probably be in a different location. My family is probably getting tired of hearing me talk about the history as well. I always start with "did you know..." and then I dazzle them with a little tidbit about some random Salmon Arm fact or story.

I spent my summer setting up for events, tearing down events, taking reservations for dinner theatre, conducting house and village tours. I worked alongside our amazing staff and some of the most dedicated volunteers I have ever seen. Towards the end of the season, Susan and I sat down to lunch and she said "So do you think...." I interrupted her, saying "I've already decided to come back next year."

Over the next month, for the remainder of the season, Susan continued to give me more responsibility. It started with: "I would like you to run both school programs." "I think we should change your title to Heritage Program Coordinator, since you will be running the school programs." "I'd like you to take over memberships." "With your new title, I think we should give you a business card."

I am so excited to be on this journey. I see myself having a long, great career with Haney, all the while having the best time I've ever had at any job.

Rebecca Whitehead
Heritage Program Coordinator



We at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum wish to thank the City of Salmon Arm, the British Columbia Arts Council and the Province of British Columbia for their generous support.



Warm toes!



The Montebello building is toasty warm these days. When Board member Garry Landers was unloading a truckload of recycled work stations for use in the Montebello's collections management area a few days ago, he grinned as he came in from the snow.

"Just think of that heat all coming from the earth. It's pretty fantastic," Landers added.

Thanks to a grant from the Shuswap Community Foundation and the BC Arts Council, we're making as small a footprint as possible in the newly constructed Montebello.

The difference between the cost of installing a traditional system and a geothermal heating and cooling system was significant. A test hole was drilled to figure out if the site was viable. A bill for \$3,150 started the project. Over \$40,000 was needed to drill the wells that would service the 6,000 square foot building.



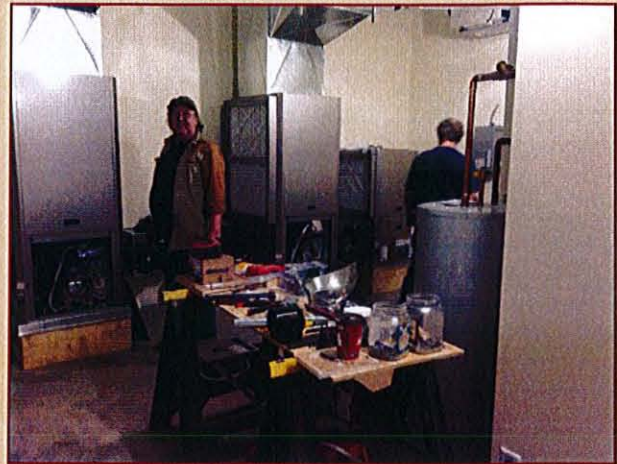
The bean counters were called upon to figure out how long it would take to recover the cost of drilling: several years.

But not relying on fossil fuels was very important to several museum board members. Some had geothermal heat in their homes already and supported the technology. Others just wanted to feel they were making a difference.

Younger museum members like Christina Harisch and Devon Tompkins were vocal at meetings. A more environmentally friendly heating system was going to

be an investment in the future. Their future.

Christina was passionate about the clean choice. She is the youngest museum board member. In the early stages of planning for the new museum building, she measured the pros and cons of the types of heating



systems available.

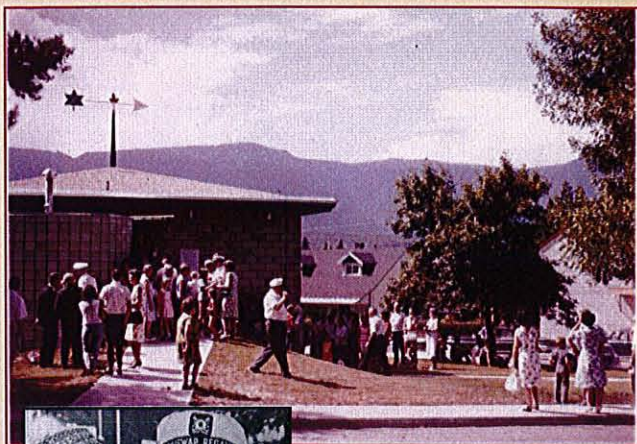
"I question whether spending money on a heating system that is not as clean as geothermal, has a larger carbon footprint than geothermal, and has a consistently rising cost would be considered a wise investment."

"We have a responsibility to the future of this organization and the environment. The Montebello Museum is a legacy project that will expand the scope of our museum and our ability to tell the story of Salmon Arm. I believe that part of that legacy is choosing to ensure that our impact to the environment is as minimal as possible."

When Garry Landers and the crew of volunteers unloading the work stations came in from the cold that November day, they might have agreed that the extra \$40,000 needed was money well spent. The artefacts were going to be well taken care of.

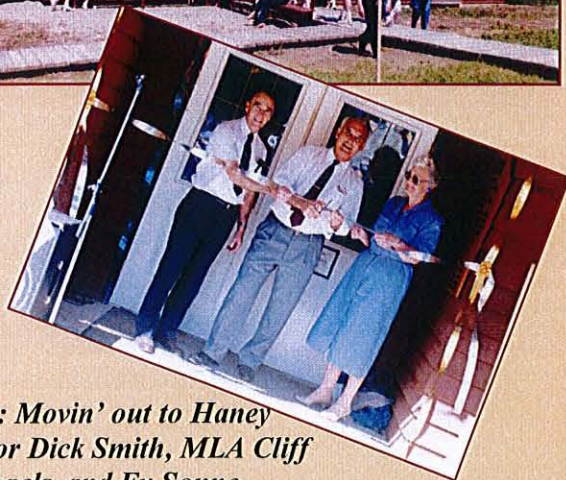
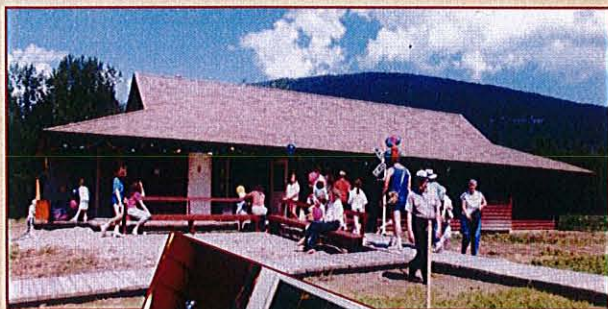
*Deborah Chapman
Curator/Archivist*

Thank you also Canada Summer Jobs, Get Youth Working, Work BC and Young Canada Works for providing much needed financial support that allows us to hire our wonderful student cast and crew.



*1967: Taking the past
and holding it for the
future*

*Museum President
Jennie Nancollas and
MLA Isabel Dawson,
cut the ribbon.*



*1990: Movin' out to Haney
Mayor Dick Smith, MLA Cliff
Michaels, and Ev Sonne.*

Remembering....

This year Canada's 150+ celebration and the Salmon Arm Museum's agenda to preserve and collect the history of the region were naturally linked. Past President Doug Adams is fond of saying that deadlines are important. They make things happen. The Association's Board, staff and dedicated volunteers set sights on opening a new museum, the Montebello building, on the organization's 54th anniversary, July 9th, 2017. Over 900 people showed up to mark the event. We were making history.

This Association has come a long way since the first Salmon Arm Museum opened in 1967. The membership had been planning a building for five years. Opportunity knocked. Leading up to the centennial, the Federal Government put aside \$1 per Canadian for construction projects. Partnering with provincial and municipal governments, federal money was matched dollar for dollar. Museums were built in Salmon Arm, Prince George, Kelowna, Langley, Kitimat, and Victoria. The Salmon Arm Museum's grant totaled \$18,000!

The little museum opened Saturday, July 29th, 1967 as part of the Shuswap Regatta celebration, but was overshadowed by a bigger event that week - the burning of a community landmark, the 59 year old Montebello Hotel. Started by cigarette butts dumped down a garbage chute, the fire had two casualties – hotel guests Amy Topping and Herbert George Slape. The million dollar blaze destroyed the 37 room hotel and nine other businesses. Four more suffered extensive smoke and water damage. Two firemen were injured.

Reporters were busy with the fire threatening most of downtown Salmon Arm. No one was thinking about the opening of the Museum building two blocks to the south of the Montebello at press deadline.



Over the next decade, the Association was governed by a hands-on board of directors who were aided by summer students. The collection grew until off site storage was needed.

Then the Association “acquired” Haney Park thanks in no small part to board member Helenita Harvey. Helenita’s friend, Marjorie Fulton, had offered her the Haney property as a gift. Something about the offer didn’t sit right with Helenita. She told Marjorie that she’d rather the house and grounds be operated as a heritage attraction. A lawyer was called, a will drafted, and, on Marjorie’s death, the City received the house and 40 acres on the condition that the Salmon Arm Museum and Heritage Association manage the property.

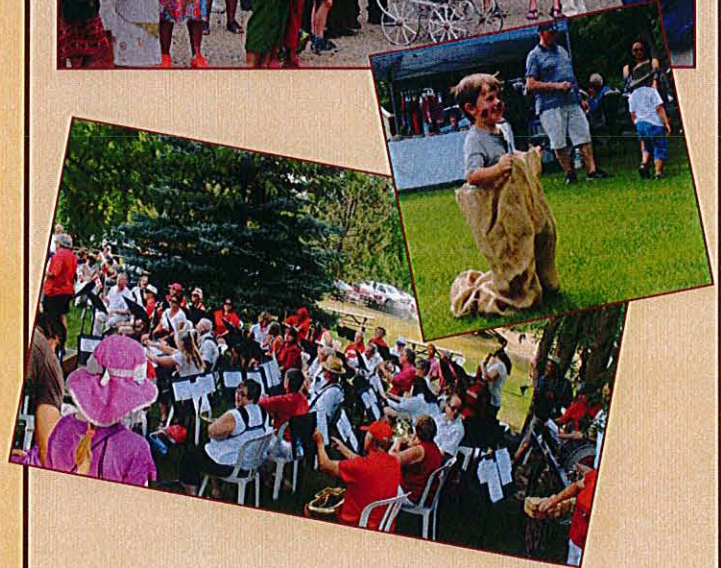
When Museum Manager Dave Harper was hired in 1987 there were two properties, the downtown museum on Alexander and the Haney acreage at Larch Hill Corner. It was a time of development. Two log buildings came to the parking lot. Signage was placed at the gate to the property and business, marketing and development plans evolved. A good day saw 12-24 visitors.

In 1990 a second community museum opened. This one, five kilometres east, was built to centralize operations at the emerging Village at Haney Heritage Park. Manager Brad Campbell offered free hot dogs and an overwhelming crowd appeared. His marketing ploy worked. Cars lined the highway outside the gate. Unfortunately, there weren’t any parking attendants to direct traffic.



Twenty-seven years later, the museum was literally bursting at the seams. A new plan for a 6000 square foot museum has become a reality.

General Manager Susan Mackie smiles when she talks about the party she threw in July. There were no free hotdogs, but attendance set records all the same and it was a day neither of us will ever forget. It was a true community celebration with professional musicians, costumed interpreters, demonstrations, really good food, and the Community Band playing CA-NA-DA. Luckily there was no community catastrophe competing for attention!



2017: It takes a community to raise a village.

*Deborah Chapman
Curator/Archivist*



A round of applause for the Friends of Haney...

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North and South Shuswap Community
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WHERE THE FUNDING IS GOING

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Literacy Alliance of the Shuswap Society
North Okanagan Therapeutic Riding Assc.
Shuswap Okanagan Treatment Centre
Shuswap Hospice Society

WHERE THE FUNDING IS GOING

Adaptive adventures recreation program
Community Kitchen Program
Program for those living with disabilities
Therapeutic gardening program
Adult Literacy Program – Cyber Seniors
Horseback riding therapy program
Alcohol and drug recovery program
Compassionate care program

IMPACT INVESTMENTS – \$129,791

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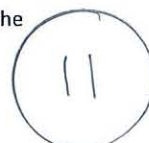
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Success by Six Projects:

Shuswap Children's Association

North & South Shuswap Community Resource Association

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- *Supporting two programs*

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- *Supporting five programs*

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Community Recreational Initiatives Society

Compassionate Friends Vernon

Enderby & District Family Resource Centre

Family Resource Centre for the North Okanagan

- *Supporting four programs*

First Nations Friendship Centre – prenatal

Food Action Society for Community Kitchens – various communities

Independent Living Vernon – youth group

Kindale Developmental Association – community garden SA

Literacy Alliance of the Shuswap Society

North & South Shuswap Community Resource Association

North Okanagan Therapeutic Riding Association

Okanagan Boys & Girls Club – Falkland & Enderby

Revelstoke Hospice Society

Shuswap Children's Association

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Shuswap Okanagan Treatment Centre

Whitevalley Community Resource Centre

- *Supporting six programs*

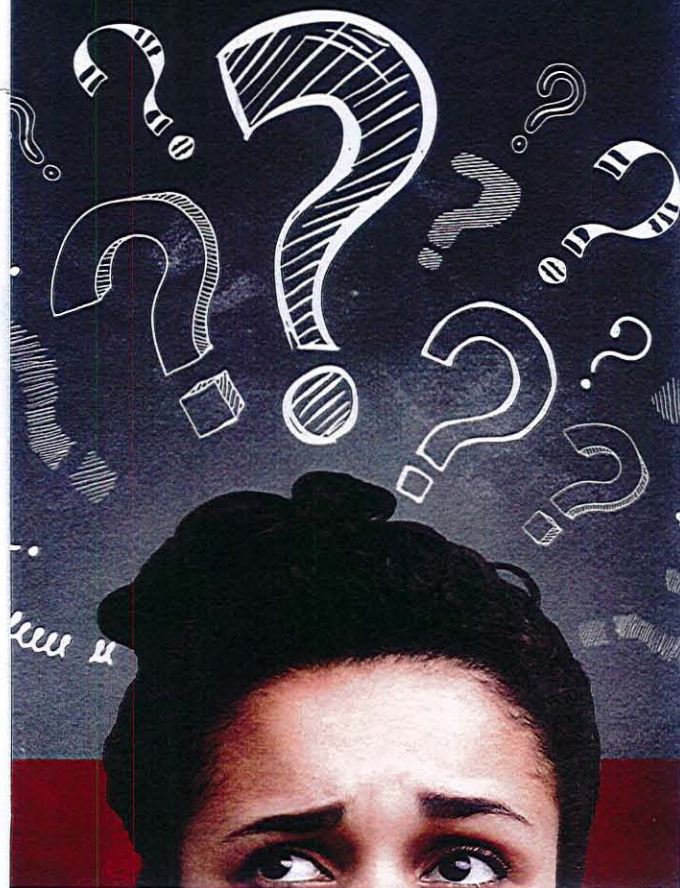
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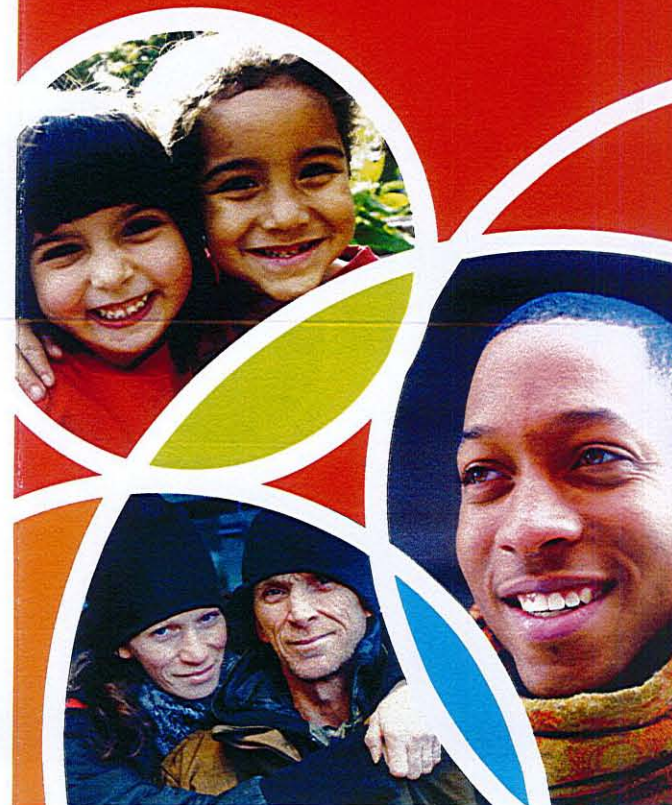


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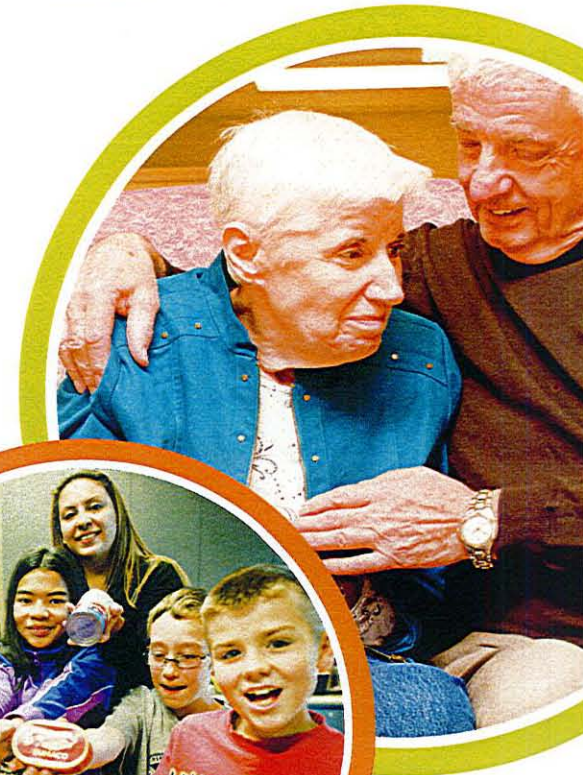
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Dec. 20, 2017

STAYING CONNECTED

~ A message from Official Trustee Mike McKay ~

To North Okanagan-Shuswap School District Community and Staff Members:

To North Okanagan-Shuswap Community and Staff Members,

As snow settles in for the Christmas season - and likely beyond - I want to wish all of you the very best for the holidays and for a positive and healthy 2018. In our busy world, it is a special gift to have some time to pause, reflect and refresh. The Christmas vacation break allows for that and more.

This has been a busy few weeks leading up to the Public Board meeting held on Dec. 19. I want to thank staff and community members who have participated in providing feedback and shape to several initiatives, some of which were part of the December Board meeting presentations. They included:

- the community engagement and collaborative work leading to a new **Strategic Plan** that will guide the district's work over the next several years. The three areas of focus in that plan are as follows:

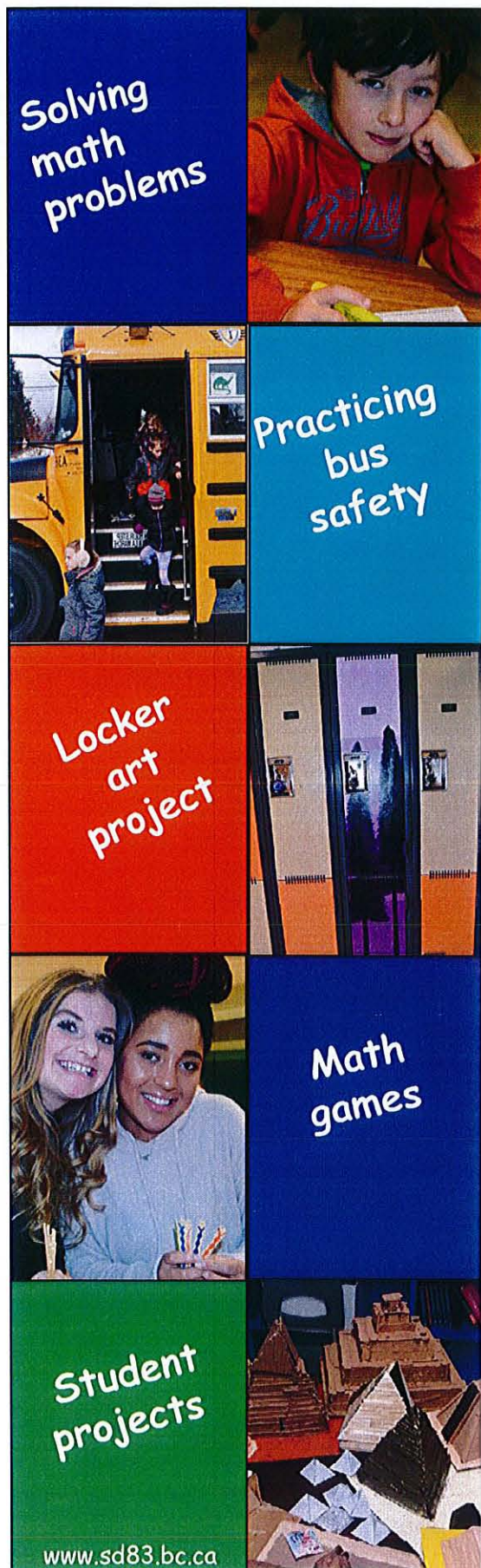
- **Students First:** Student success is our top priority every day
- **Organizational Efficiency** - Decisions and actions are clear, purposeful and respectful
- **Culture of Health and Wellness:** Students and staff are healthy and connected to the learning community

- there has also been significant input into the various options being considered for a **variance in the number of trustees** on an elected board in North Okanagan-Shuswap. My recommendation to Minister of Education Rob Fleming is that he consider a five member board in anticipation of the Oct. 2018 election. I further recommended that the electoral regions/wards be organized as follows:

- North Shuswap/Sorrento/Carlin - one trustee
- Salmon Arm - two trustees
- Sicamous/Malakwa/Enderby/Grindrod - one trustee
- Armstrong/Spallumcheen/Falkland/Silver Creek/Ranchero - one trustee

I invite you to read a background paper that accompanied the recommendation. It can be found on the district's website at www.sd83.bc.ca. When I took office in June of 2016, my commitment was to have a recommendation ready for the Minister prior to Christmas in order for him to make a decision early in the new year. That will give sufficient time for potential trustee candidates to consider whether they wish to stand for office in the election of Oct. 2018.

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- the district has also recently received **provincial assessment data** allowing us to track local trends and make comparisons with districts across the province. That information provides us with some good news and some direct positive links between program initiatives and outcomes. It also highlights areas of significant need, giving us evidence that will initiate thoughtful, research-based action. The graphs illustrating the data were presented at the December board meeting and can be accessed under District News on the website or at <http://bit.ly/2z6o7m4>.

- among the other issues addressed at the December board meeting was the proposal regarding an **Outdoor Education Program of Choice** to be located at South Canoe Elementary School. A committee of passionate and dedicated educators and community members have worked with Director of Instruction Carl Cooper on this initiative over the past several months. Their report and rationale make for compelling reading and what they have produced is a great example of a well-developed and thoroughly analyzed project proposal. The recommendation emerging from the committee's work was as follows:

- After considering sound educational research, current demographic information, parent surveys, community partnership input, interest expressed through intent to register forms, the Senior Leadership Team at School District No. 83 recommends approval of Option 5: Re-open South Canoe Centre as a K-6 School with an Outdoor Learning Program for September 2018.

I have given approval in principle to this request and have commented that:

a) we cannot offer transportation to this program of choice. It would not be a sustainable or equitable use of resources;

b) in order for South Canoe School to re-open, we require permission from the Agricultural Land Reserve. That request has been submitted and we have asked that it be expedited;

c) the re-opening of South Canoe and the establishment of a Program of Choice there must occur as part of an overall strategic approach to effective management of school capacities and student enrolment trends. We know that several of our Salmon Arm schools are reaching full capacity and we also know it is not likely that we will qualify for a major capital project in the near future. Adding to our available capacity by including South Canoe may require the district to re-draw some catchment boundaries so that the school may serve a regular catchment of students as well as those enrolling in the Outdoor Education Program.

As always, I appreciate working with the district's Partner Groups and with other local government agencies. We all share a responsibility for providing the best possible environment for children to learn and to thrive and for communities to have confidence and pride in their schools.

Respectfully,

Mike McKay

Mike McKay, Official Trustee

Questions? Feedback? Please send me an email at trusteefeedback@sd83.bc.ca

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Cc: Mike Simpson; Erin Vieira

Subject: SWC: meetings highlights and media release

Hello Shuswap Watershed Council members,

The highlights report for yesterday's SWC meeting is attached here, for your information. Also attached FYI is a media release covering the results of the special water quality monitoring project for nonylphenols that was discussed yesterday in the meeting.

Both of these documents have been sent to the media this morning.

A detailed meeting summary will be ready next week. Kind regards,

Erin Vieira
Fraser Basin Council
250 314-9660

Presentation from Adams River Salmon Society

Carmen Massey presented on behalf of a partnership between Adams River Salmon Society (ARSS) and Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band (LSLIB) to request support, participation, and a financial contribution from the SWC for a Salmon Symposium proposed to take place next fall coinciding with the dominant return of salmon.

Report from Program Managers

Erin Vieira and Mike Simpson gave an update on recent program operations:

- The Water Protection Advisory Committee met in early November to receive updates and discuss recent projects
- The Water Quality Monitoring Group met in mid November to review 2017 water quality monitoring activities, and discuss and provide input to the 2016 Water Quality Summary
- A special water quality monitoring project for nonylphenols has wrapped up, with good results. Nonylphenols – a synthetic compound found in some consumer products, and known to be toxic and persistent in aquatic environments – were not detected in lake water quality samples.

Water Quality Objectives for Shuswap Lake

Dennis Einarson provided an update on the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy led initiative to develop water quality objectives for Shuswap Lake. Once established, objectives can be incorporated into permits and plans and used as a regulatory tool for maintaining lake water quality. It's anticipated the objectives will be completed in 2018.

2018 Workplan Discussion

SWC members participated in a discussion to provide input for the 2018 work plan. Several motions were passed, including:

- The SWC will provide a letter of support for the 2018 Salmon Symposium being organized and hosted by ARSS and LSLIB
- Staff be directed to develop and deliver education, outreach and advocacy work for the prevention of zebra and quagga mussels to the Shuswap, supplementing the work done by other organizations.

In addition, staff were directed to prepare a letter for the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change summarizing its comments on the proposed revisions to the *Agriculture Waste Control Regulation*.

The next meeting of the SWC is on March 14th 2018 at the CSRD

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MEDIA RELEASE

14 December 2017 – For Immediate Release

Shuswap Watershed Council's monitoring project shows good results

A special water quality monitoring project undertaken by the Shuswap Watershed Council has wrapped up and the results are good – that's the message that Council members heard at their meeting in Salmon Arm on Wednesday.

This spring, the Shuswap Watershed Council (SWC) began a water quality monitoring program in Shuswap Lake to test for substances called nonylphenols. Nonylphenols are a group of synthetic compounds found in many industry and consumer products such as detergents, shampoos, cosmetics, lubricants, plastics, rubbers, paints, and others. Nonylphenols can be toxic and persistent in the environment, and there are well-documented adverse effects on algae, invertebrates, and fish.

"These compounds are not routinely monitored in fresh water by regulators," explains Erin Vieira, the SWC's program manager. "We wanted to find out if they could be detected in wastewater effluent, as well as at different dilution zones in the lake. Due to the occurrence of nonylphenols in household consumer products, we expect that the primary way they could get into the lake is through wastewater," says Vieira.

"All of the samples from the lake had negative results," says Vieira, meaning that nonylphenols were not detected. "There was a trace amount of one type of nonylphenol detected in the treatment plant effluent. The Canadian Water Quality Guideline for the Protection of Aquatic Life sets the guideline for nonylphenols in fresh water at 1 microgram per Liter, Shuswap Lake is well within that limit."

"This is a good news story," says Paul Demenok, Chair of the SWC. "Concerns had been expressed about nonylphenols in our watershed, and we now have scientific evidence to show that they're not present."


The SWC worked with the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy, the City of Salmon Arm, and a private lab on the monitoring project, which ran from spring through fall this year.

The completion of this project is timely, as concern over 'emerging contaminants' is increasing. Last month, the Canadian Water Network launched a national review of contaminants in wastewater. The review, led by an expert advisory panel, will consider a suite of contaminants in wastewater and options for Canadian communities to address them through wastewater treatment. A final report is expected in the spring.

A summary of water quality monitoring results from 2016 is available on the SWC's website at www.shuswapwater.ca.



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Contact: For more information, please contact Erin Vieira or Mike Simpson c/o the Fraser Basin Council in Kamloops at 250 314-9660.

From: Mike LoVecchio <Mike_LoVecchio@cpr.ca>
To: Louise Wallace-Richmond <lwallacerichmond@salmonarm.ca>
Date: January 6, 2018 at 11:45:17 AM PST
Subject: CP Holiday Train wrap up



January 5, 2018

Councilor Louise Wallace-Richmond
City of Salmon Arm
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via email: lwallacerichmond@salmonarm.ca

Dear Councilor Wallace-Richmond:

RE: 2017 CP Holiday Train wrap up

The 19th year of the CP Holiday Train is complete. On December 22, CP announced the 2017 CP Holiday Train raised more than \$1.5 million and 300,000 pounds of food for Food Banks during the tour. We further estimate more than 425,000 people attended one of the 150 CP Holiday Train events across the six Canadian provinces and 11 American states where the company operates.

CP is proud to produce the Holiday Train. Since 1999, the CP Holiday Train helped to raise more than C\$14.5 million and 4.3 million pounds of food for local food banks. Your community has been a big part of that success.

On behalf of us all at CP, thank you for your community's participation in and support of the 2017 CP Holiday Train.

Sincerely,



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News Release
December 22, 2017

19th annual CP Holiday Train concludes another successful tour, raises more than \$1.5 million and 300,000 pounds of food

The 19th annual Canadian Pacific (CP) Holiday Train has completed another successful tour across North America, raising more than just spirits this holiday season. While final numbers are still being calculated, more than C\$1.5 million and 300,000 pounds of food have been raised for local food banks and food shelves.

The Holiday Train has now raised more than \$14.5 million and 4.3 million pounds of food since its inaugural journey back in 1999.

"The momentum we see in the Holiday Train from year-to-year reinforces the good that we, and our partners at the food banks, are doing across North America," said Keith Creel, CP President and CEO. "Connecting with communities has been a theme for the CP family this year as we celebrate Canada 150 and what a way to end 2017, with more than 425,000 people across our network enjoying the magic of the CP Holiday Train."

The 2017 CP Holiday Train was proud to feature an all Canadian musical line-up with multiple Canadian Country Music Award and Juno Award winners. The Canadian train featured Colin James, Emma-Lee and Odds until Calgary, where Alan Doyle and the Beautiful Band jumped on to finish the tour to the west coast. On board the U.S. train, Kelly Prescott partnered with Jim and Devin Cuddy between Montreal and Windsor, Ont., and was joined by Dallas Smith and Terri Clark through the U.S. Midwest and Great Plains. Jonathan Roy anchored the Quebec shows.

New this year, CP introduced an online train tracker so that fans could see exactly where the trains were, allowing even more people to connect with the spirit of the Holiday Train on both sides of the border. The Canadian train also boasted the Spirit of Tomorrow car, a railcar that was a part of the CP Canada 150 train which travelled across the country this summer in celebration of Canada's 150th. Crowds were able to view the car, which is covered in notes written by children across Canada, expressing the dreams they have for their nation.

The CP Holiday Train program is not the only way that CP gives back to food banks. CP also provides Food Banks Canada \$250,000 worth of in-kind transportation services to support its National Food Sharing Service program. Since 2011 CP's contribution has helped transport over 17 million pounds of food and household goods to food organizations across Canada.

"We are always delighted when the CP Holiday Train travels across North American communities and provides the platform to speak about the need of healthy and nutritious food

items at local food banks," said Mimi Lowi-Young, Executive Director, Food Banks Canada. "CP continues to play a role in raising awareness of hunger-related issues and also supporting Food Banks Canada in transporting food across Canada through our National Food Sharing System."

As part of Canada 150, CP and the Canada 150 Federal Secretariat partnered to promote the Holiday Train and the conclusion of the sesquicentennial celebrations.

The Capture the Spirit photo contest closes today and six winners will each be awarded a CP prize pack including a ride on the 2018 CP Holiday Train and a \$1,000 donation to the food bank of their choice.

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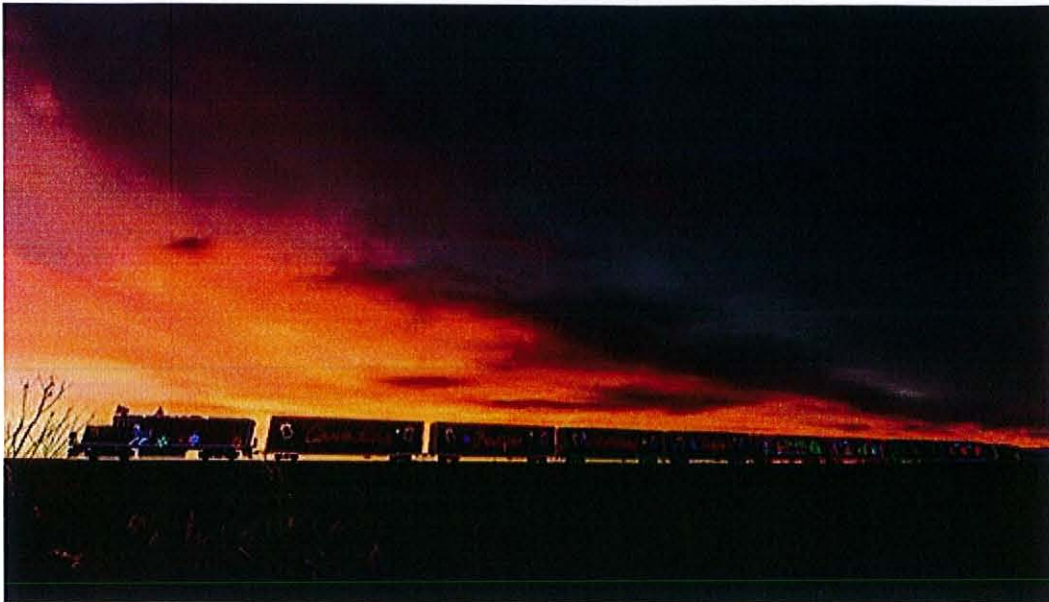
For additional information, photos, a route map and downloadable pictures of the two trains, visit <http://www.cpr.ca/holiday-train>

About Canadian Pacific

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2017 CP Holiday Train south of Didsbury AB. Photo credit: Neil Zeller.



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From: Healthy Communities [<mailto:HealthyCommunities@interiorhealth.ca>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 20, 2017 3:39 PM
Subject: Sport for Life funding announcement

Hello subscriber to the IH Healthy Communities e-Newsletter,

A funding opportunity through the Physical Literacy for Communities Initiative is now open. **The application deadline is January 31, 2018.** Because of the holidays, and it's almost a month until our next newsletter goes out, we wanted to let you know about this opportunity through an additional email.

Overview

As part of the BC Active People, Active Places, BC Physical Activity Strategy, funded by the Ministry of Health, the Sport for Life Society (S4LS) will be delivering the Physical Literacy for Communities initiative (PL4C) in selected communities across the province. The purpose of the initiative is to improve the development of physical literacy, which leads to increased physical activity positively impacting health and well-being.

Objectives

- To educate and activate local decision makers, then build capacity by training leaders
- To develop physical literacy in multiple settings and sectors
- To provide opportunities for BC communities, including persons from under-represented or marginalized populations, to actively participate in the initiative
- To positively impact community health and well-being

Here's the info:

<http://physicalliteracy.ca/bc-physical-literacy-communities-initiative/>

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Apologies for any cross-posting.

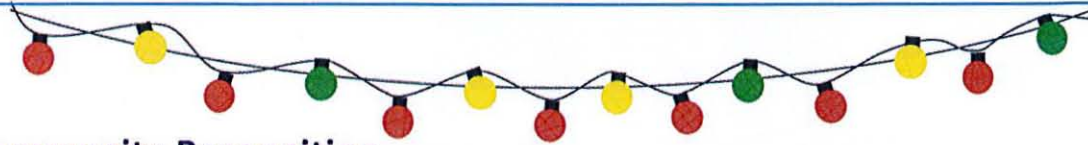
Yours in good health,

The IH Healthy Communities Program



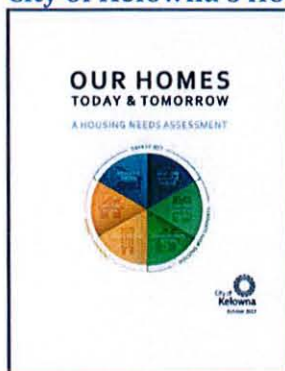
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December 2017



Community Recognition

City of Kelowna's Housing Needs Assessment



Congratulations to the City of Kelowna who recently completed a [Housing Needs Assessment](#) (HNA) which was received by City Council on November 20, 2017. The HNA recommendations will help to influence the Healthy Housing Strategy and [Journey Home Strategy](#), the City's two housing strategies currently under development. Find out more about the Healthy Housing Strategy and take the strategy survey [here](#)

City of Merritt Wayfinding Signage Strategy

The Wayfinding Signage Strategy (2016) is an outcome of the community's goals to connect residents and visitors to services and attractions, to support tourism, active transportation and to enhance impressions of the city, as well as encourage travel off the highways and into the community. Effective wayfinding is important as residents and visitors explore Merritt through different modes of transportation and from different entry points. This Strategy provides Merritt a comprehensive and consistent plan for wayfinding signage that will benefit the entire City. Read the strategy [here](#)



Keremeos Receives Age-Friendly BC 2017 Recognition

Congratulations to the Village of Keremeos for receiving Age-Friendly BC 2017 Recognition from the Honourable Adrian Dix, Minister of Health, and Jodi Mucha, Executive Director of BC Healthy Communities Society. [Click here](#) to read about the numerous community initiatives that came about from the plan.

Events and Learning Opportunities

Federation of Canadian Municipalities Sustainable Communities Conference: where innovation meets action



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From February 6-8, 2018 in Ottawa, this revamped 2018 edition offers three days of must-attend workshops, study tours and

plenary sessions that showcase the latest in municipal green innovation and best practices. Connect and network with sustainability leaders from across the country. Be inspired by local green successes and celebrate them with the presentation of the 2018 Sustainable Communities Awards. Find solutions to your municipality's needs with the help of industry-expert exhibitors. Find the details [here](#)

Active Living Research Conference 2018

The 2018 Active Living Research Annual Conference brings together active living researchers and champions from over 30 disciplines to advance knowledge and action around active communities. The Conference is the premier venue for policy-relevant research and cross-sector exchange between scientists, practitioners and policy makers on how to create and sustain active living environments. This conference is being held **February 11-14, 2018 in Banff, Alberta**. To learn about this conference and to register, please visit this [website](#).

2018 Rural Health Services Research Conference: Building Intersections for Vibrant Rural Communities

This Conference will be held **May 31 - June 1 in Nelson BC** and will explore issues of health, wellness, and equity in rural settings, supporting capacity building on innovative methodologies for applied research. Presentations will explore strategies for genuine engagement and create dialogue about the implications of research findings for both rural communities and service organizations. The goal is to spark partnerships for transformative research and knowledge translation. Pre-conference workshops will be held on May 30th to allow for deeper discussion and networking around specific topics. Submit an abstract [here](#). Travel bursaries are also available [here](#)



Webinar Recording: Monitoring Residential Woodsmoke in B.C.

This recorded BC Lung Association webinar was presented on October 25, 2017. [Watch it](#) to learn why residential woodsmoke is an issue of concern in British Columbia, how residential wood smoke impacts air quality in B.C. communities, and how alternative monitoring methods can help fill gaps in the ability of the current monitoring network to understand spatial variability and source (woodsmoke) contributions within select B.C. communities.

Healthy Public Policy Resources

Resources for Adaptation to Climate Change



This five-part series was developed by the Ministry of Health and the Provincial Climate Action Secretariat to help people working in community and public health to prepare for the current and future impacts of climate change.

Backgrounders focus on the following topics: climate change health risks, frontline health care, public health, health care facilities and communities. Links to all 5 Climate Impacts on Health fact sheets are [here](#)

BC Centre for Disease Control - new home to population health resources

Provincial community health data, including community health profiles, plus food security information, a section on healthy built environments and more. [It's all here!](#) The Population and Public Health Program (PPH) seeks to inform and advise policy and practice on emerging and priority population health issues.



BC Centre for Disease Control

Current priorities are to promote health equity, and healthy schools, families, and communities, as well as to address key focus areas such as population health surveillance, food security, and the healthy built environment.

The BC Chronic Disease Dashboard is Now Live on the BCCDC Website Too!

[The Dashboard](#) is an interactive tool that provides summary statistics on a variety of non-communicable diseases and conditions in BC. The Dashboard will be updated on an annual basis, with the next iteration to be released in early 2018, including 2015/16 data. This Dashboard makes chronic disease surveillance statistics more accessible to public health professionals, local government partners, academics, and the general public.



Growing Smarter: Cornerstones for Highly Prosperous, Low Carbon Communities

[This paper](#), commissioned by the Real Estate Foundation of BC (REFBC), examines progress made in BC communities, compares our progress and policies with other jurisdictions, and makes recommendations for integrating land use and transportation planning to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

Pathways to Policy

Lessons learned from the Coalitions Linking Action and Science for Prevention (CLASP) initiative. Four projects focused on creating healthier food environments and increasing healthy eating through 260 new policies or policy changes. [This report](#) describes the lessons learned from these projects and can inform the development of healthy public policy in jurisdictions across Canada.

CLASP was an initiative of the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer that aimed to reduce the risk of cancer and chronic disease through the implementation of evidence-based program and policy interventions. Read [their report](#) on creating healthier built environments and increasing physical activity through 165 new policies or policy changes.

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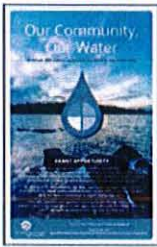
Multiculturalism Grants

Multiculturalism Grants support cultural expression and anti-racism programs/projects that raise awareness about or enhance B.C.'s multicultural identity. Applications will be accepted from non-profit societies and community-based organizations. The intake period is **November 14, 2017 to January 8, 2018**. Find the information [here](#).

Smart Cities Challenge

The Smart Cities Challenge is a competition open to all municipalities, local or regional governments, and Indigenous communities (First Nations, Inuit, and Métis) across Canada. This Challenge will inspire communities across the country to define their future with the help of their residents through the use of a smart cities approach. Winning communities will be awarded with prize money to help implement their smart cities proposals. Take a look [over here](#).

First Nations Health Authority - Our Community, Our Water Grant



The objective of the grant is to support awareness and preservation of the First Nation's community drinking water sources. FNHA will provide from \$500-5000 for First Nations communities to support hosting a Water Awareness Day Event. **Proposals will be assessed on an ongoing basis** throughout the fiscal year and events must be held prior to March 31, 2018. Read all the information [here](#).

Wishing you all a safe and
happy holidays and new
year!

Sincerely,

Your Healthy Communities Team

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For Immediate Release | December 14, 2017

IH expands meningococcal disease immunization clinics in the Okanagan

Immunization clinics for all Okanagan residents aged 15-19 begin today

KELOWNA—Today, Interior Health announced they are offering immunization clinics throughout the Okanagan for individuals in grades 9-12 and persons aged 15-19 years old who do not attend school.

Over the past six months, Interior Health has seen an increasing number of cases of meningococcal disease in this age group, and as a result is declaring an outbreak. In 2017, Interior Health has identified 11 cases of meningococcal disease—a majority of these cases were in the Okanagan. Typically, the health authority will see less than five cases per year.

"The risk to the general population is low," said Dr. Karin Goodison, Medical Health Officer. "However, with the increase in the number of cases and the fact that this disease can be prevented through immunization, we felt it important to raise the public's awareness about this disease, and roll out a campaign to immunize those at the highest risk."

"Immunization is the best form of defence against this disease," said Goodison. "We are encouraging all people in this age group who live in the Okanagan, to get immunized."

The Meningococcal Quadrivalent vaccine has been part of the routine immunization schedule for BC students in grade 9 since 2016. If you have received this vaccine as part of the grade 9 immunization program in 2016/2017, you do not need to be re-immunized. Parents and individuals with questions about their immunization records can call their local health centre.

"As a parent myself, I understand there may be concern and questions," said Dr. Goodison. "I would encourage parents to visit the Interior Health website to learn more about this disease, signs and symptoms, and to find out when a clinic will be available in their area." Parents and students may also speak with their health-care provider.

Immunizations started today at a school in Vernon and clinics will continue to roll out at Okanagan schools next week to ensure immunization before winter holidays. Interior Health will also be offering immunization at public health centres for people who are not attending school or who have missed their school immunization clinic. Please check interiorhealth.ca for more details.

Meningococcal disease is a bacterial infection that occurs rarely in Canada that is spread from person to person by coughing, sneezing, or close face-to-face contact. It can also spread through saliva. This can occur through activities such as kissing or sharing of food, drinks, cigarettes, lipsticks, water bottles, mouth guards used for sports, or mouthpieces of musical instruments.

For more information about the Meningococcal Quadrivalent vaccine, visit HealthLink BC.

To find an immunization clinic near you, visit interiorhealth.ca.

Interior Health is committed to providing a wide range of quality health-care services to more than 740,000 people living across BC's vast interior. For more information, visit www.interiorhealth.ca, follow us on Twitter [@Interior_Health](https://twitter.com/Interior_Health), or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/InteriorHealth.

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Subject: Changes to Schedule 1 (the "Legal List") of the Species at Risk Act

Hello,

On December 16, 2017 a proposal to amend Schedule 1 of the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA) for 13 terrestrial species was published in part I of the *Canada Gazette*: <http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p1/2017/2017-12-16/html/reg2-eng.html>. This marks the beginning of a 30-day public comment period during which you can share your comments on the proposal either by writing to ec.LEPreglementations-SARAregrulations.ec@canada.ca or calling 1-800-668-6767. The public comment period will end on January 18, 2018.

The proposed amendments would change Schedule 1 (the List of Wildlife Species at Risk) of SARA by adding certain species, by changing some species' statuses (e.g. from "Endangered" to "Threatened"), and by changing the way some species are divided on the list. For species found in British Columbia, this includes the addition of:

- Grizzly Bear, Western population (Special Concern),
- Wolverine (Special Concern),
- Audouin's Night-stalking Tiger Beetle (Threatened),
- Gypsy Cuckoo Bumble Bee (Endangered),
- Yellow-banded Bumble Bee (Special Concern), and
- Roell's Brotherella Moss (Endangered)

The proposal also includes changing the status of Barn Owl, Western population from Special Concern to Threatened, dividing the American Badger *jeffersonii* subspecies into Eastern and Western Populations, and dividing the Western Toad into "calling" and "non-calling" populations.

Please also note that on November 15, 2017 an order to amend Schedule 1 of SARA was published in part 2 of the *Canada Gazette*: <http://gazette.gc.ca/rp-pr/p2/2017/2017-11-15/html/sor-dors229-eng.html>. This order follows the proposal published in part I of the *Canada Gazette* and the associated comment period which ended on April 10, 2017. Among other amendments, this order added 4 bird species found in British Columbia to Schedule 1 of SARA:

- Bank Swallow (Threatened)
- Barn Swallow (Threatened)
- Bobolink (Threatened)
- Western Grebe (Special Concern)

All species in this order are migratory birds protected under the *Migratory Birds Convention Act* (MBCA). The MBCA and its regulations protect migratory birds, their nests and eggs against possessing, buying, selling, exchanging, giving or making it the subject of a commercial transaction, wherever they are found in Canada. These protections remain in effect when a migratory bird is listed in Schedule 1 of SARA.

Notifications regarding additional potential changes to SARA can be expected early in 2018.

Further information regarding SARA and species at risk is available on the [Species at Risk Public Registry](http://www.registrelep-sararegistry.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=E0F272D5-1), including an explanation of the listing process (found here: <https://www.registrelep-sararegistry.gc.ca/default.asp?lang=En&n=E0F272D5-1>). For general inquiries please do not hesitate to contact our regional office in British Columbia via email at ec.ep.rpy-sar.pyr.ec@canada.ca.

Respectfully,

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Barb Puddifant

From: EP.RPY / SAR.PYR (EC) [ec.ep.rpy-sar.pyr.ec@canada.ca]
Sent: January-03-18 4:02 PM
Subject: New Species at Risk Recovery Documents Available

Hello,

Two proposed recovery documents for terrestrial species at risk found in British Columbia have recently been posted on the Species at Risk Public Registry:

- [Recovery Strategy for the Western Rattlesnake \(*Crotalus oreganus*\), the Great Basin Gophersnake \(*Pituophis catenifer deserticola*\) and the Desert Nightsnake \(*Hypsiglena chlorophaea*\) in Canada](#)
 - These 3 snakes are found in British Columbia's southern interior
- [Action Plan for the Porsild's Bryum \(*Mielichhoferia macrocarpa*\) in Canada](#)
 - This small bright green moss has only one known population British Columbia: in the Muncho Lake area near the Yukon border

These proposed documents each have a 60-day consultation period ending on February 20, 2018. Comments can be submitted to ec.planificationduretablissement-recoveryplanning.ec@canada.ca.

An additional 17 final recovery documents for terrestrial species at risk found in British Columbia have also been posted on the Species at Risk Public Registry:

- [Recovery Strategy for the Mountain Holly Fern \(*Polystichum scopulinum*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Mountain Holly Fern is a plant found in a small area outside of Princeton in British Columbia's southern interior
- [Recovery Strategy for the Dun Skipper \(*Euphyes vestris*\), Western Population, in Canada](#)
 - The Dun Skipper is a butterfly found in southwestern British Columbia, including the southern Gulf Islands and southern Vancouver Island
- [Recovery Strategy for the Mormon Metalmark \(*Apodemia mormo*\), Southern Mountain Population, in Canada](#)
 - The Mormon Metalmark is a butterfly found in the Similkameen valley of British Columbia's southern interior
- [Recovery Strategy for the Greater Sage-Grouse phaios subspecies \(*Centrocercus urophasianus phaios*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Greater Sage-Grouse phaios subspecies is a bird previously found in the Okanagan and Similkameen valleys of south-central British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Mexican Mosquito-fern \(*Azolla mexicana*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Mexican Mosquito-fern is a plant found in areas near Little Fort, Shuswap Lake, and Vernon in British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Showy Phlox \(*Phlox speciosa* ssp. *occidentalis*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Showy Phlox is a plant found in south-central British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Edwards' Beach Moth \(*Anarta edwardsii*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Edwards' Beach Moth is found in a few locations on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands
- [Recovery Strategy for the Coastal Giant Salamander \(*Dicamptodon tenebrosus*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Coastal Giant Salamander is found in the Chilliwack River valley in southwestern British Columbia
- [Management Plan for the Peregrine Falcon pealei subspecies \(*Falco peregrinus pealei*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Peregrine Falcon pealei subspecies is a bird found primarily in coastal areas of British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Pallid Bat \(*Antrozous pallidus*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Pallid Bat is found in a small area of the Okanagan valley in southern British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Northern Leopard Frog \(*Lithobates pipiens*\), Rocky Mountain population in Canada](#)
 - The Northern Leopard Frog, Rocky Mountain population is found in southeastern British Columbia

- [Recovery Strategy for the Great Basin Spadefoot \(*Spea intermontana*\) in Canada](#)
 - This frog is found in a number of locations in the central and southern interior of British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Tiger Salamander \(*Ambystoma tigrinum*\) Southern Mountain population in Canada](#)
 - The Tiger Salamander, Southern Mountain Population (also known as the Western Tiger Salamander, Southern Mountain Population) is found in south-central and south-eastern British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Pacific Gophersnake \(*Pituophis catenifer catenifer*\) in Canada](#)
 - This snake was previously found in southwestern British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Pygmy Short-horned Lizard \(*Phrynosoma douglasii*\) in Canada](#)
 - This lizard was previously found in south-central British Columbia
- [Management Plan for the Black-footed Albatross \(*Phoebastria nigripes*\) in Canada](#)
 - This seabird is found off the coast of British Columbia
- [Recovery Strategy for the Victoria's Owl-clover \(*Castilleja victoriae*\) in Canada](#)
 - The Victoria's Owl-clover is found on southern Vancouver Island and small islands near Victoria, British Columbia

These final documents follow earlier consultation periods and consideration of comments received.

Further information regarding SARA and species at risk is available on the [Species at Risk Public Registry](#). For general inquiries please do not hesitate to contact our regional office in British Columbia via email at ec.ep.rpy-sar.pyr.ec@canada.ca.

Respectfully,

Conservation Planning Unit

Canadian Wildlife Service – Pacific Region
 Environment and Climate Change Canada
 5421 Robertson Road, Delta, BC, V4K 3N2

Barb Puddifant

From: Errin Morrison [emorrison@lgla.ca]
Sent: January-02-18 1:30 PM
To: info@lgla.ca
Subject: LGLA Forum Registration Deadline Approaching!

Attn Local Government and First Nations Elected Officials and Senior Staff:

The Local Government Leadership Academy's 2018 Leadership Forum is filling up quickly and our registration deadline is fast approaching! Join us in **Richmond from January 31-February 2** for a unique learning and networking opportunity.

All local government and First Nations elected officials and senior staff members are welcome and encouraged to attend! **Register by January 5th at \$325+GST, and from January 6-17 at \$350+GST.**

Register here: <https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2018/LGLA-LeadershipForum>

Registration includes a half day/full day/half day of sessions as well as a reception, hot breakfasts both mornings, a hot lunch, and refreshment breaks throughout.

We have an excellent agenda featuring keynote speaker **Shachi Kurl, Executive Director of the Angus Reid Institute**, a plenary session on Responsible Conduct followed by a Networking Reception on opening day. Concurrent workshops on Thursday include:

- Women in Local Government
- Social Media Survival Strategies
- Community Economic Development Showcase
- Learning from the Summer 2017 Forest Fires
- Channeling Negative Pressure into Positive Change
- Local Government-First Nations Partnership Stories

The Honourable Selina Robinson brings greetings from the provincial government and MLA Adam Olsen addresses delegates on behalf of the Green Party of BC.

Friday morning features sessions on:

- Legalizing Cannabis
- Local Governments and Global Capital Markets
- Preparing for the 2018 Local Government Elections
- New Economic Development Opportunities & Alternative Revenue Sources

Early-morning clinics by UBCM, Municipal Insurance Association of BC, and BC Assessment Authority are also offered.

Don't miss this opportunity to join your colleagues from around the province to learn from the experts and from one another! All forum details and registration/accommodation information available on the LGLA website at:

<http://lgla.ca/2017/12/07/2018-lgla-leadership-forum/>

Financial assistance still available through the Cathy Watson Memorial Award: <http://lgla.ca/programs/>
(Please disregard deadline - applications still being accepted.)

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Barb Puddifant

From: BC Air Access Program TRAN:EX [BCAAP@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: December-20-17 1:27 PM
Subject: BC Air Access Program – Application Intake Open (until February 9, 2018)

This notification is being sent using bcc to local governments (and airport operating authorities), with the target audience being those that own and operate aviation facilities. The application intake for the 2018/19 fiscal year is now open, with applications being accepted until February 9, 2018.

Following a review of the Program, which included a recent survey of eligible applicants, amendments have been made, including:

- A simplified application submission process (by e-mail)
- Expanded environmental focus reflected in new application questions
- An eligibility focus on facilities serving less than 1M scheduled passengers annually
- A requirement that in order to apply an applicant must not have any current open BCAAP-partnered projects that are more than 2 years old
- Blended projects – i.e., rehabilitation projects with new operational functionality – can be funded to a 60% BCAAP share

Given these program changes, please carefully review the updated program guidelines prior to completing the revised application form. Details on the updated program including the 2018/19 application form can be found here (www.gov.bc.ca/BCAirAccessProgram).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the program at BCAAP@gov.bc.ca or by telephone at 250.387.7588.

BC Air Access Program (BCAAP) | B.C. Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure | 250.387.7588

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*Southern Interior Local
Government Association*

December 14, 2017

To: All SILGA Members

Re: SILGA Convention – Call for Nominations 2018

As per the Constitution of the Southern Interior Local Government Association (amended 2017), the “Call for Nominations” is now going out to all member Mayors, Councillors, Regional Chairs and Directors who wish to seek a position on the SILGA Executive for the 2018/2019 term. Elections are to be held at the SILGA Convention in Revelstoke on April 26, 2018.

Offices to be filled are President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and seven Directors. One member of the SILGA board must be an Electoral Area Director of a member Regional District. All positions are for one year. Those presently serving may run for another term if they so wish.

Excerpt from the SILGA constitution regarding new voting procedures:

7.10 The election of Officers to the Executive shall be held at the Annual General Meeting on a first ballot and that of the Directors at Large subsequently on a second ballot. Any candidate that is unsuccessful in obtaining an Officer position on the first ballot may become a candidate for a Director at Large position on the second ballot.

7.11 If, in the election of the Officers to the Executive on the first ballot, an Electoral Area Director of a regional district is elected, the Director at Large positions will then be filled by the candidates with the most votes.

7.12 If, in the election of the Officers to the Executive on the first ballot, an Electoral Area Director of a regional district is not elected, then in the election of the Directors at Large, the candidate - of those candidates that are Electoral Area Directors of a regional district - with the most votes will be elected as a Director at Large and the balance of the Director at Large positions will be filled by the remaining candidates with the most votes. If only one Electoral Area Director of a regional district candidate runs for a Director at Large position, that candidate will be acclaimed.

Deadline for nominations is Monday, February 26, 2018. You will be asked to complete a biography and submit a photo for the printing of the official Nominating Committee Report to be contained in the Convention Package.

The SILGA nomination committee is chaired by Past President Chad Eliason, Salmon Arm.

All those interested in serving are asked to contact Councillor Eliason at 250-804-9874 or by email at chadeliason@gmail.com. All information should be forwarded to both Councillor Eliason and the SILGA office (yoursilga@gmail.com).

Alison Slater
SILGA Executive Director

SILGA Southern Interior Local Government Association

December 14, 2017

To: All SILGA Members

Call for Resolutions for 2018 Convention

The SILGA Annual General Meeting and Convention is scheduled to be held in Revelstoke from April 24th to April 27th, 2018. The SILGA Constitution requires that resolutions to be considered at the Annual Meeting are to be received by the Secretary-Treasurer no later than 60 days prior to this meeting. Friday, February 23, 2018 will be the deadline for receipt of resolutions.

If your local government wishes to submit a resolution for consideration at the 2018 SILGA Convention, please forward by email your resolution to yoursilga@gmail.com. Any background information on the resolution would be helpful. Each resolution should be endorsed by the sponsoring Member's Municipal Council or Regional Board. The resolution should be relative to regional issues and should not pertain to a finite local interest.

If you do not receive a confirmation email regarding your resolution, please contact the SILGA office at 250 851 6653.

For information on how to properly write a resolution please refer to the UBCM website below.

<http://www.ubcm.ca/EN/main/resolutions/resolutions/resolutions-procedures.html>

Resolutions not received by February 23rd will be considered late resolutions and must go through the following procedures to be considered at the AGM.

Late Resolutions

- (1) Resolutions submitted following the expiry of the regular deadline noted in section 10.4 shall be considered "Late Resolutions" and shall comply with all other submission requirements, except that a copy of the resolution shall be provided to SILGA by noon on the Friday preceding the date of the Annual General Meeting. The resolutions committee will meet on the Tuesday preceding the Annual General Meeting to provide recommendations as to whether the late resolution(s) should be brought to the Members for inclusion in the resolution debate. All late resolutions must be adopted by a Special Resolution of the Member Representatives in attendance at the Annual General Meeting to be included in the discussion.
- (2) Late resolutions will be reviewed by the Resolutions Committee prior to the Meeting and only those of a subject matter which could not have been submitted by the normal deadline date outlined in section 10.4 will be considered.

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- (3) Late Resolutions shall be available for discussion after resolutions printed in the resolutions book have been considered.
- (4) Late Resolutions admitted for plenary discussion shall be dealt with in the order presented in the Late Resolutions report.
- (5) In the event that a late resolution is recommended to be admitted for discussion, the sponsoring member of the late resolution shall produce sufficient copies for distribution to the Members at the Annual General Meeting.
- (6) The Late Resolution will, after reading, be properly before the meeting, and the regular procedures for handling resolutions will apply.

Alison Slater
Executive Director, SILGA

Good morning,

SILGA has been asked to forward this information to our members, both staff and elected officials, as you determine.

Thanks, Alison
Alison Slater
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www.silga.ca

SOSCP has just completed a second edition of the guide for those interested in establishing dedicated funds for local community sustainability and environmental conservation projects. This guide contains critical information for anyone looking for capacity to ensure a sustainable future for their community.

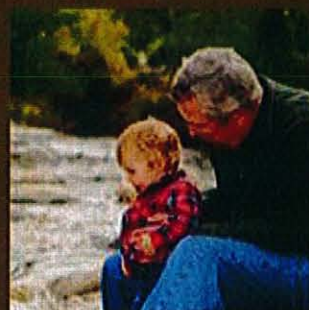
Local Conservation Funds in British Columbia; A Guide for Local Governments and Community Organizations provides current case studies and successful examples of campaigns and experiences from around the province, including additional resources to support local governments and community organizations. Conservation funds are game-changers for communities, and this document is vital to achieving success. We are grateful to our funders and supporters for the ability to share this knowledge and experience with others.

The guide and additional support resources are available on the South Okanagan Similkameen Conservation Program website [here](#).

<http://soscp.org/conservationfundguidebc/>

Local Conservation Funds in British Columbia

A Guide for Local Governments and Community Organizations



Second Edition

Date: December 12, 2017

To: All LCLB Staff
All licensees
All industry associations
All local government, First Nations and police agencies

Re: Off-premises sales endorsement changes, licensee retail store (LRS) relocations, manufacturer guided tours, and fraternal societies and veterans clubs reporting requirements

Please note: These policy changes are effective immediately

1. Off-premises sales endorsement changes

Current Policy

Liquor-primary (LP) licence holders (i.e., bars, pubs) may apply for an off-premises sales endorsement that allows them to sell packaged liquor for offsite consumption.

LP licensees may apply for an off-premises sales endorsement if they meet either of the following criteria:

- Their LP establishment is at least 30 kilometres away from the nearest liquor store, licensee retail store, or another LP establishment with an off-premises sales endorsement, or
- They also hold a brewery licence, and the manufacturing facilities of the brewery are adjacent to their LP establishment

LP licensees with an existing off-premises sales endorsement may apply to relocate with their endorsement provided the proposed location is at least 30 kilometres away from the liquor retail outlets noted above.

The Liquor Control and Licensing Branch calculates the 30-kilometre measurement using a straight line ("as the crow flies").

New Policy

The 30-kilometre distance requirement will now be calculated using the shortest travelling distance by road, ferry, or a combination of the two. If a building cannot be accessed using roads or ferries, the distance will be measured using a straight line.

Existing LPs with an off-premises sales endorsement will not be impacted by the change.

Explanation

The new method of calculating the distance between buildings is more practical (i.e., it calculates driving distance). This policy change is particularly important for measuring distance in rural areas, where communities can be separated by mountain ranges or other geographic barriers. The same calculation method is also used by the Liquor Distribution Branch to measure the distance between rural agency stores and other liquor establishments.

2. Licensee Retail Store Relocations**Current Policy**

Licensees may apply to relocate a licensee retail store (LRS) to anywhere within the province, as long as the new location is not within one kilometre of an existing or proposed LRS or BC Liquor Store (i.e. government liquor store).

Within three months of submitting an application to relocate an LRS, the licensee must provide proof that the proposed location has received zoning approval from, or is actively under review for zoning approval by, the local government or First Nation.

New Policy

The general manager may now refuse to accept an application for an LRS relocation if all of the following circumstances are present:

- The applicant submitted a previous application to relocate the same LRS
- The applicant withdrew the previous application
- Less than 3 months have passed since the previous application was withdrawn

Explanation

Some applicants propose new locations that are not likely to be approved by local governments in order to “reserve” a certain spot within a desired area. They then withdraw their application and re-submit a new one in order to re-start the three-month time period for providing proof of zoning approval. There are no restrictions on how many times applicants may withdraw and re-submit an application. This practice prevents other applicants who are likely to receive zoning approval from relocating to the area.

The change gives licensees the opportunity to apply for a relocation to an area that was previously held by another applicant. The change will also likely reduce the number of “placeholder” applications submitted to the branch, which will ensure administrative fairness and decrease processing times.

3. Manufacturer guided tours**Current Policy**

During a tour, patrons can only access liquor from the sampling room or an endorsement area.

New Policy

During a guided tour only, patrons can access liquor from anywhere on the manufacturing property.

Explanation

This change clarifies where patrons can receive samples, and where manufacturers can sell and serve samples, while on a guided tour of a manufacturing property. Previously, manufacturers were restricted from providing samples in areas where most guided tours took place (e.g., a vineyard).

4. Fraternal societies and veterans clubs**Current Policy**

Licensed public corporations and societies that hold liquor licences are required to provide the branch with a criminal record check and personal history summary for each new director when a change of directors occurs in the organization. Fraternal societies and veterans clubs are exempt from this requirement and must complete a criminal record check for the president only.

New Policy

Licensed fraternal societies and veterans clubs must provide the branch with a criminal record check and a personal history summary for each new director when a change of directors occurs in the organization.

Explanation

The change was made to ensure that the screening process to determine the suitability of licensees is applied consistently to all licensees.

Further Information

Further information regarding liquor control and licensing in British Columbia is available on the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch website at <http://www.gov.bc.ca/liquorregulationandlicensing>

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch toll free in Canada at 1-866-209-2111 or 250 952-5787 if calling from the Victoria area.

Original signed by

Michelle Carr,
Assistant Deputy Minister and General Manager

Barb Puddifant

From: CPAB_BC_Communications_CB [CPAB_BC_Communications_CB@hc-sc.gc.ca]
Sent: December-13-17 10:45 AM
Subject: Health Canada: Unauthorized natural health products including "SmartBrain Formulations" and "Cutting Edge Naturals" sold by Robert Lamberton Consulting may pose health risks



Health Canada Santé Canada

Information Update - Natural health products

Unauthorized natural health products including "SmartBrain Formulations" and "Cutting Edge Naturals" sold by Robert Lamberton Consulting may pose health risks

What you should do

- Stop using products manufactured by this company ([Robert Lamberton Consulting](#); Cutting Edge Naturals; and Cutting Edge Nutraceuticals) and consult a health care professional with any questions or concerns.
- Read product labels to verify that health products have been authorized for sale by Health Canada. Authorized health products have an eight-digit Drug Identification Number (DIN), Natural Product Number (NPN) or Homeopathic Drug Number (DIN-HM). You can also check whether products have been authorized for sale by searching Health Canada's [Drug Product Database](#) and [Licensed Natural Health Product Database](#).
- Report adverse events to health products to Health Canada by calling toll-free at 1 866 234 2345, or by [reporting online, by mail or by fax](#).
- Report complaints about health products to Health Canada by calling toll-free at 1 800 267 9675, or complete an [online complaint form](#).

We hope this information and related link will be useful to you.

If you do not wish to receive these health-related messages, please let us know in your reply to this e-mail.

Thank you.

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Barb Puddifant

From: CPAB_BC_Communications_CB [CPAB_BC_Communications_CB@hc-sc.gc.ca]
Sent: December-15-17 12:35 PM
Subject: Health Canada information: Mental Health - Coping With Stress



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Canada



The holiday season can be stressful at times, especially when considering finances, hosting and other daily demands of life.

Remember to add self-care to your to-do list.

Learn more techniques for handling holiday stress that can also help you throughout the year: [Mental Health - Coping With Stress](#)

We hope this information and related link will be useful to you.

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Thank you.

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Barb Puddifant

From: MoT CYCLING TRAN:EX [MoTCYCLING@gov.bc.ca]
Sent: December-20-17 4:14 PM
Subject: BikeBC Program – Application Intake Open (until February 9, 2018)

Hello,

The application intake for the **2018/19** fiscal year is now open, with applications being accepted until **February 9, 2018**.

Following a review of the Program, which included a recent survey of eligible applicants, amendments have been made, including:

- Supporting all types of cyclists
- Expanding cost-shareable items to include cycling amenities / end-of- trip facilities (capped at 15% of total eligible project costs) and upgrade projects
- Adding incentives for communities with a population under 15,000:
 - permitting cost-sharing (up to 50%) for network planning
 - increasing the level of funding to 75%
- Requiring that in order to apply an applicant must not have any current open BikeBC cost-shared projects that are more than 2 years old (approved 2015/16 or earlier projects)

Given these program changes, please carefully review the updated program guidelines

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/driving-and-transportation/cycling/pdfs/bikebc-guidelines-2018-19.pdf> prior to completing the revised application form. Details on the updated program including the 2018/19 application form can be found here: <https://www2.qa.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/funding-engagement-permits/funding-grants/cycling-infrastructure-funding>

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the program at MoTCYCLING@gov.bc.ca or by telephone at 250-356-0771

Greetings,

An independent statutory office of the provincial legislature, the Office of the Ombudsperson impartially investigates individual complaints about unfair administrative actions in more than 2,800 local and provincial public authorities.

I understand the City of Salmon Arm keeps a rich variety of resources – electronic and print - on hand to help people locate information on public sector services and programs.

We have [information brochures](#) in 10 languages: English, French, Chinese (Traditional and Simplified), Filipino, Korean, Persian (Farsi), Punjabi, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Specifically:

- General information ([here](#)) – this is the one we have in eight other languages.
- Local Government Complaint Guide ([here](#))
- A tip sheet before submitting a query/complaint ([here](#))

If you would like to have a selection/refresh your inventory on hand, please let me know who I should speak with to coordinate.

Regards,

Peggy Kulmala, MBA, APR
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Municipalities welcome steps toward fair cannabis revenue sharing

(11/12/2017)

FCM President Jenny Gerbasi issued this statement following the federal government's announcement that it will release an additional 25 per cent of federal excise tax revenues on cannabis to help support municipal on the front lines of legalizing cannabis nationwide.

"Federal leadership to legalize cannabis across Canada includes ensuring municipalities have the right tools to keep Canadians safe and well-served. Today's announcement that the federal government will release more cannabis excise tax revenues to support our cities and communities is a step in the right direction.

"Local governments are on the front lines of implementing, administering and enforcing new cannabis rules, with new cost burdens for our police and up to 17 municipal departments. Last week, FCM released early estimates of those costs of keeping people safe and well-served. Based on that work, we recommended reserving one-third of federal cannabis excise tax revenues as a fair and achievable tool to support municipalities.

"Today's federal announcement starts a dialogue among all orders of government toward clearly securing that fair municipal share. Clearly, this tool will need to be supplemented to cover local start-up and ongoing costs, especially if revenues grow more slowly than expected. What the potential of this tool offers is crucial planning stability — for local governments, and for federal and provincial governments that share responsibility for ensuring unsustainable new burdens do not fall to local governments.

"As with so many other national challenges, this one requires a strong partnership among all orders of government. We see that partnership growing stronger on infrastructure and on affordable housing. Cannabis legalization is a fresh opportunity to build a strong, goal-driven partnership that integrates durable financial tools from the start."

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) is the national voice of municipal government, with nearly 2,000 members representing 90 per cent of the Canadian population.

For more information, please contact:

FCM Media Relations, (613) 907-6395, media@fcm.ca

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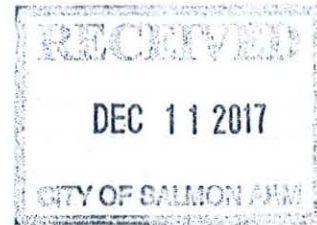
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Recognition and Bloom Award Program for Municipalities



December 6, 2017

Dear Mayor, Council and CiB committee,

As representatives of your municipality we thank you for your ongoing support of this valuable program that does so much for CommUnity Success!

We have started a Bloom Badge promotion to create awareness for your accomplishments in the CiB program. Please use it as a symbol of quality and pride in horticultural and beautification efforts.

With Garden Tourism becoming recognized as a new market sector, BC Communities in Bloom and all our municipal participants are receiving profile through the GardensBC and BC Communities in Bloom websites. (enclosed flyer)

We invite you to continue your CiB success in 2018 as our organization works to find additional ways to promote all our amazing participants.

Sincerely,


Yvette May,
BC CiB Chair


Catherine Kennedy,
Executive Director



Gardens British Columbia, conceived in 2008 and incorporated in 2011 with 10 garden members, was designated a BC tourism sector in 2013. Current members are situated on Vancouver Island and the Lower Mainland and include all the large public gardens that charge admission plus BC Communities in Bloom participants. Expanding into other BC regions and enlisting smaller gardens is the next stage of GBC development.

GardensBC aims to establish British Columbia as the premier garden tourism destination in North America with garden tourism becoming a primary driver for visitation.

Gardens are increasingly considered a peaceful escape from an urban lifestyle, providing an outdoor experience, reducing stress and in BC are easily accessible, with gentle physical requirements. Alternately, they function as education centers, event venues and more. Garden visitation fits well with many other BC tourism offerings and is viable most months of the year.

British Columbia's gardens are, by their nature, an extremely brand relevant product that attracts visitors to BC. In a 2014 garden sector analysis, Destination BC identified a barrier to garden visitation noting that visitors and residents alike are typically unaware of what gardens have to offer outside of plants and flowers. One of the main strategies of GBC is to increase social media presence across numerous platforms, promoting the value and offerings of BC gardens; and to become the go-to garden source for original digital assets for DMOs and RDMOs, and travel writers/media.

Every year BC Communities in Bloom requests photos to use in the promotion of your community and the CiB program. Consider every image as a way to showcase the best elements of your community using the CiB criteria.

Currently, profile for our CiB participants is through our **GardensBC Feature Membership** with a link to our [BC Communities in Bloom](http://www.gardensbc.com) website.

Does your community have a large tourism worthy garden? Find out more information about arranging a GardensBC membership at www.gardensbc.com.



Promote your Blooms

Be proud of your Bloom achievements!

**Share your success with your community,
regional destination marketing organizations, local
economic development office and lets cover
every corner of this province in Bloom winners!**

Reproduction Ideas for your Bloom Badge

File formats available: jpeg, png, tif, giff, pdf

Please protect the integrity of the image:
enlargements will degrade the bloom logo.
Year is stated and must be shown.

8 x 10" - full size

- Metal roadway sign

4 x 5" - half size

- Window Sticker (cling vinyl)

2 x 2.5" - 1/4 size

- Ads in local paper
- Parks & Rec publications

1 x 1.2" - badge size

- Letterhead and Business Cards
- Facebook, other social media

More Info:
c.kennedy@telus.net

www.bccib.ca





2018 PROVINCIAL EDITION

BRITISH COLUMBIA COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM

EARLY REGISTRATION CONTEST:

PAID registrations received by January 31, 2018
will be eligible to WIN a pair of tickets to the
BC CiB Provincial Awards Banquet

FINAL DEADLINE: March 31, 2018

MUNICIPALITY (PLEASE PRINT)		TOTAL POPULATION	MAYOR
NAME OF MUNICIPAL CONTACT		POSITION / TITLE	
ADDRESS		CITY	POSTAL CODE
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PHONE		MUNICIPAL CONTACT EMAIL	
NAME OF COMMUNITY CONTACT OR LOCAL CiB CHAIR		WEBSITE ADDRESS FOR COMMUNITY	
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PHONE		COMMUNITY CONTACT/CHAIR E-MAIL	
PARTICIPATION CATEGORIES (please indicate your level of participation)		REGISTRATION FEE Based on Population Size:	
<input type="checkbox"/> NOVICE WORKSHOP Introduce CiB to your community with a pair of trained BC CiB facilitators.	<input type="checkbox"/> FRIENDS NON-EVALUATED holds your bloom rating one-year (½ Registration Fee)	<input type="checkbox"/> up to 1000 - \$475 <input type="checkbox"/> 1001 to 2000 - \$575 <input type="checkbox"/> 2001 to 5000 - \$625 <input type="checkbox"/> 5001 to 10,000 - \$750 (Plus 5% GST)	<input type="checkbox"/> 10,001 to 20,000 - \$875 <input type="checkbox"/> 20,001 to 50,000 - \$975 <input type="checkbox"/> 50,001 to 100,000 \$1150 <input type="checkbox"/> 100,000+ - \$1450 (Plus 5% GST)
<input type="checkbox"/> PROVINCIAL EDITION EVALUATED Community receives a Bloom Rating Award and 18-page report ONLY CATEGORY ELIGIBLE TO WIN A CRITERIA AWARD Getting Started package of information sent upon registration.			

EVALUATED PARTICIPANTS should plan to:

- Create a local 'in Bloom' action committee: citizens, business, service clubs and a municipal representative (Councillor, Public Works, Administrator, Parks/Recreation);
- Prepare for an **Evaluation** to take place in mid to late July;
- Create a **Community Profile Book** (CPB) outlining the community's achievements in the specific evaluation criteria;
- Develop a simple budget to cover registration fee and to create community wide CiB awareness projects, i.e.: parades, tidy up days. Consider planning some fundraising events too;
- Host 2- facilitators (judges) typically 3rd week of July. 2-nights maximum in separate rooms (Hotel, B&B or Billeting if certain conditions can be met); with meals during evaluation day.
- Budget for sending a couple of people to the BC CiB Provincial Awards and Conference Event in the fall. Recognize your volunteers by providing an opportunity to network with other participants and to learn how to maximize your CiB program.

COMMUNITY RECEIVES:

- Getting Started Package of Information;
- Evaluation by a pair of trained BC CiB facilitators for 1-2 days;
- Bloom Rating Certificate (1 to 5 blooms);
- 18+ page Evaluation Report with Comments & Suggestions;
- 5-Bloom Winners receive a special recognition Street Banner;
- Profile on www.bccib.ca and Gardens BC tourism website;
- Information about National Competition in future years.

BENEFITS to Community:

- Involves People of all ages to be part of the Volunteer Effort
- CiB Program is a tool to encourage Tidiness & Beautification
- Promotes Excellence in Horticultural Best Practices
- Provides Focus & Deadline for new & ongoing Projects
- CPB and Evaluation Report showcases Community Assets
- Report is a Cost-Effective Measurement of Success

Cheque payable to: BC Communities in Bloom		Mailing Address: Suite 102, 19289 Langley Bypass, Surrey, BC V3S 6K1	
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$	Population Fee + 5% GST = \$	GST # 8446 03670 RT0001
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CANCELLATION POLICY:	Before April 30 th a \$50.00 fee may be charged, after that, all registration fees are non-refundable.		
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Participation Options	COST
<p>1. NOVICE PROGRAM – First Year Audit</p> <p>Face to face introduction to the CiB program with BC CiB Facilitators and local stakeholders in your community.</p> <p>Facilitators will present a PowerPoint, show samples of Community Profile Books and view 3 criteria of your choice: i.e. Floral Displays, Landscape and Tidiness Efforts. A report will be created with some comments for future efforts.</p> <p>No Evaluation Tour or Community Profile Book to organize, but be prepared to host a pair of BC CiB facilitators (meals with accommodation for 2-nights max.) and have 3 - 10 people ready to workshop.</p>	<p>Fee dependent upon population size - see Registration Form Front</p> <p>(Email a request for additional information)</p>
<p>2. PROVINCIAL EDITION EVALUATION - Awarding 1 to 5-Blooms</p> <p>Develop an 'In Bloom' committee to collaborate with residents, service groups, municipal staff and business owners to:</p> <p>Organize an Evaluation Tour to view about 80% of your community to a pair of BC CiB judges. (What is Communities in Bloom)</p> <p>Create a Community Profile Book to summarize your community's assets, this is also used to supplement information not shown during the evaluation tour.</p> <p>Plan to host a pair of judges for meals with accommodation for 2-nights max.</p> <p>Participants are awarded a Bloom Rating Certificate and receive a written report at the Provincial Awards & Conference in the fall. Evaluating six criteria, the report creates a benchmark score to celebrate successes and for future improvements.</p>	<p>Fee dependent upon population size – see Registration Form Front</p> <p>ONLY CATEGORY ELIGIBLE TO WIN A CRITERIA AWARD</p>
NON-EVALUATED	
<p>3. FRIENDS*</p> <p>For communities that want recognition for ongoing CiB initiatives but want to take time off from evaluation.</p> <p>Holds bloom rating one-year.</p> <p>*Bonus: this category is encouraged to provide a Showcase Project</p>	<p>½ Fee dependent upon population size - see Registration Form</p>
<p>4. SHOWCASE PROJECT* (non-evaluated)</p> <p>Profile for a specific project or geographical segment within a community.</p> <p>Open to service groups, garden clubs, municipalities, electoral areas etc., submissions also accepted from National and International level CiB participants in British Columbia.</p> <p>Provide 100 words & 3 photos to be showcased in the provincial newsletter.</p>	<p>Fee: \$100</p> <p>(go to www.bccib.ca to download form)</p>
All Participants will receive recognition on our Website, Map, Press Releases, Fall Awards, GardensBC	
<p>5. COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>As per the 2018 Membership Form https://www.bccib.ca/membership.html</p> <p>Fee dependent on population size. (* ALSO INCLUDES A SHOWCASE PROJECT ENTRY)</p>	



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December 13, 2017

Dear Local Governments of British Columbia,

With cannabis sales becoming legal in 2018, there must be a formal agreement that will divide the tax revenue on cannabis sales in a fair and equitable manner. Current discussions regarding revenue sharing involve the Federal and Provincial governments with no inclusion of local governments. Ultimately, the legalization will entail additional costs for local governments both in social and policing costs. A Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) paper is stating that the impact may affect policing, fire services, building codes, city planning, municipal licensing and standards, public health, social services, communications, law, etc.

City of West Kelowna Mayor and Council is requesting your support, by writing to the Province to lobby them to agree to 50% of the provincial share of the cannabis tax sharing formula be provided to local governments. This is an adequate and equitable share to help support costs and services incurred by local governments.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely, on behalf of Council,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Findlater".

Doug Findlater
Mayor

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File: 0530-01

December 5, 2017

Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
PO Box 9047 Stn Prov Govt
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Victoria, BC V8W9E2

Subject: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

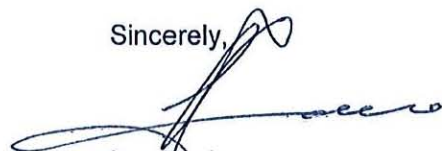
Dear Minister Heyman:

At a recent meeting of Council on December 4, 2017, Council passed a resolution in support of the District of Sicamous' concerns and threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels in the Province. Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to increase awareness and education for the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels into BC Lakes.

As expressed in the District of Sicamous' letter of November 29, 2017, the Village concurs that the impacts these bivalve molluscs can inflict in our BC waters is of a huge concern. We wholeheartedly agree with the District and recommend that the Province take the necessary steps to ensure continuing health and well-being of our waters and work towards a solution for the eradication of this invasive species.

We respectfully request that you consider the requests made on this very important issue.

Sincerely,



Leo Facio
Mayor

enclosure

cc: Mark Zarcharias, Deputy Minister (via email: DM.ENV@gov.bc.ca)
Wendy Booth, UBCM President (via email: wndbooth@gmail.com)
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December 6, 2017



Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Via E-mail: ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca
PO Box 9047 Stn Prov Govt
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Victoria, BC V8W9E2

Re: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

Dear Minister Heyman,

On behalf of the District of Clearwater, I would like to express my concern about the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels. Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to increase awareness and education regarding the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels in BC Lakes.

The effects to ALL BC Lakes would be devastating:

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- Eco-system compromised, water intakes plugged, fish destroyed, beaches destroyed.
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- Negative tourism impact

Solutions:

- Guard the borders - cost BC millions to guard the borders 24/7, 365 days per year to prevent infestation or boat border crossing hours.
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- More conservation officers, with more authority.
- More docks.
- This is no longer a campaign, it should now be a department of the government with funding to continue prevention.

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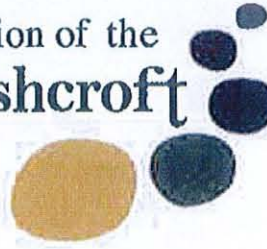
Regards,



John Harwood
Mayor

Cc: Mark Zarcharias, Deputy Minister (via email: DM.ENV@gov.bc.ca)
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UBCM Members (via email)

The Corporation of the Village of Ashcroft



December 12, 2017

Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
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Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Heyman:

Re: Quagga and Zebra Mussels Threat

At the regular meeting of Council held on December 11, 2017, we passed a resolution in support of the District of Sicamous' concerns regarding the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels within our Province. We were pleased to support the resolution at UBCM requesting that the Provincial Government provide more funding to increase awareness and public education on the spread of these mussels into BC lakes.

Council and I concur that the impacts these bivalve molluscs have on our waterways is damaging and, left unchanged, will eventually destroy all of our freshwater bodies of water. We support the District of Sicamous in their request to have your Ministry take the necessary steps to provide education, enforcement and search for a solution to eradicate this invasive species.

Sincerely,



Jack Jeyes,
Mayor

cc: Mark Zarcharias, Deputy Minister (via email: DM.ENV@gov.bc.ca)
Wendy Booth, UBCM President (via email: wndbooth@gmail.com)

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December 13, 2017

Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
PO Box 9047 Stn Prov Govt
Rm 112, Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC V8W9E2

Dear Honourable Heyman,

Re: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

On behalf of the Town of Oliver we write to express our concern about the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels. Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to increase awareness and Education for the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels into BC Lakes.

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Solutions:

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Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Regards,



Ron Hovanes,
Mayor

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December 15, 2017

Honourable George Heyman
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VIA EMAIL: ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca

Re: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

Dear Honourable Heyman,

On behalf of the Village of Pemberton, we write to express our concern about the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels. We understand that the District of Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed in which more funding from the Provincial Government was requested to increase awareness and education for the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels into BC Lakes.

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Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Yours Truly,

VILLAGE OF PEMBERTON



Mike Richman
Mayor

Cc: Mark Zarcharias, Deputy Minister (via email: DM.ENV@gov.bc.ca)
Wendy Booth, UBCM President (via email: wndbooth@gmail.com)
UBCM Members (via emails)



December 19, 2017

FILE: 1-1-4

Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
Via E-mail: ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca
PO Box 9047 Stn Prov Govt
Rm 112, Parliament Buildings
Victoria, BC V8W9E2

Dear Honourable Heyman,

Re: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

On behalf of the City of Dawson Creek, I write to express our concern about the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels. Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to Increase awareness and Education for the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels into BC Lakes.

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Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Regards,

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Dale Bumstead
Mayor

Cc: Mark Zarcharias, Deputy Minister (via email: DM.ENV@gov.bc.ca)
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City of Parksville
Office of the Mayor

December 19, 2017

The Honourable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
PO Box 9047 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Heyman:

RE: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

At the December 18, 2017, regular meeting, Parksville City Council passed a resolution to express concern regarding the threat that quagga and zebra mussels pose to BC lakes.

The District of Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the provincial government to increase awareness and education regarding this issue. Quagga and zebra mussels are highly invasive; only one mussel can produce one million mussels per year. Should BC become infested with these mussels, the impact will not ever be reversible. All BC lakes would be contaminated and there is currently no solution to destroy the mussel population.

It is our belief that the effects of these mussels would be devastating to BC freshwater eco-systems. Zebra and quagga mussels filter water to the point where food sources such as plankton are removed, altering food webs. This also causes clearer water, allowing sunlight to penetrate deeper, increasing growth of aquatic vegetation. Toxic algal blooms may negatively impact native fish and wildlife. Large mussel colonies affect spawning areas, impacting the survival of fish eggs.

With the eco-system compromised, beaches will be destroyed. Water intakes may become clogged with mussel colonies and there is no research on how these mussel populations may affect water quality. Recreational users may no longer wish to access lakes due to the environmental changes, which would negatively impact the vital tourism industry in BC. The cost to British Columbia government, taxpayers and businesses will be billions if these mussels manage to infiltrate our eco-system.

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Fortunately, there is still time to prevent this disaster. The District of Sicamous submitted a comprehensive list of preventative measures to keep these mussels out of BC waterways, including stricter border patrols, increased conservation staffing, inter-governmental collaboration and improved boater education. It is our hope that the Government of BC will heed this warning and implement some of these suggestions before it is too late.

Yours truly,

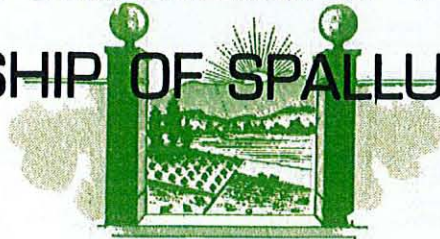


MARC LEFEBVRE
Mayor

Cc: Council Members
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OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

December 19th, 2017

Honorable George Heyman
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy
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Re: Prevention of Quagga and Zebra Mussels

Dear Minister Heyman,

On behalf of the Township of Spallumcheen, I would like to express my concern about the threat of Quagga and Zebra mussels. In September of 2017 Sicamous submitted a resolution at UBCM that was endorsed requesting more funding from the Provincial Government to increase awareness and education regarding the treat of Quagga and Zebra mussels in BC lakes.

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Solutions:

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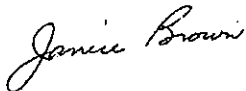
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Thank you for your consideration of this issue.

Respectfully,



Janice Brown
Mayor

Cc: Mark Zacharias, Deputy Minister of Environment
Wendy Booth, UBCM President

Barb Puddifant

From: Cathy Peters [ca.peters@telus.net]
Sent: December-13-17 8:56 PM
To: Caylee Simmons
Subject: Globe and Mail article: more important news re sexual assault cases/missing persons-
trafficking will be connected/involved
Attachments: Identifying Sex Trafficking Victims in the ED.PDF; Resources for physicians_Final.pdf
Importance: High

Dear Mayor Nancy Cooper and City Councillors,

I am alerting every City Council in British Columbia about these 2 timely articles that came out in the news last Friday regarding sexual assault cases and missing persons cases. Human trafficking can be an integral part of sexual assault and sex crimes. A City Council is the “eyes and ears” of what is happening in communities. This is a very serious issue/crime that is growing fast, and there are simple things we can do to stop it. Prevention is my strategy and “Education is our greatest weapon”- (quote from Joy Smith of the Joy Smith Foundation to stop human trafficking/sexual exploitation in Canada).

1. Robyn Doolittle did another thorough investigation piece. Please note it is Calgary Police and Ontario Police departments that are being proactive in addressing and re-addressing sexual assault cases called “Unfounded”.

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/news/investigations/unfounded-37272-sexual-assault-cases-being-reviewed-402-unfounded-cases-reopened-so-far/article37245525/>

2. Toronto Chief of Police admits to 4000 missing persons cases received a year. I believe that this is a strong indication of human trafficking/sexual exploitation that is being missed. We need to start “connecting the dots” with this “growth crime” of human sex trafficking.

<http://www.cp24.com/mobile/news/saunders-orders-investigation-into-how-tps-handles-missing-persons-reports-1.3713395>

Please investigate suicide statistics. Human trafficking can actually be the cause for the suicide.

The “Metoo” hashtag movement is huge and viral. Sexual assault and sexual crimes are on the increase (in contrast to other crimes).

Prominent politicians, movie stars, celebrities are now being charged for sexual assault; this is a tsunami building.

My concern in British Columbia is that human trafficking/sexual exploitation, youth and child exploitation is not being addressed or seen as a priority as it is in the rest of the country. Buyers of sex, traffickers, facilitators are acting with impunity here. Hence my work, advocacy to raise awareness with every City Council, MLA, MP and police agency in BC.

I am working with medical professionals, and they are seeing exploitation on shifts in the ER room (if they know human trafficking indicators). Police are not making the connections and are not recognizing human trafficking when they bring individuals to the hospital (police need basic training on this issue).

The more I speak, the more I learn. I believe this issue is of the most urgent nature since the last taboo, our children are now being targeted by a very hungry and growing sex industry.

I have included the 2 (informative) handouts given to ER doctors at a recent hospital presentation. Please share them with your RCMP, city police agencies, stakeholders staff/team/officers.

ASK: Please share this information email with your local police, educators, health practitioners, stakeholders. Encourage all stakeholders to get training on this issue.

Please give me feedback on what your Council is doing proactively to address this crime, including how many buyers of sex, traffickers, facilitators have been charged in your communities.

Please write a letter of recommendation that I present at your next LGA and then the UBCM (Whistler). I can speak alone or bring in a panel of experts.

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Mission statement: A Modern Equal Society does not buy and sell women and children.

My goal: to traffick-proof every community in BC and insure there is not another Robert Pickton situation.

Identifying Victims of Human Trafficking

- Younger age
- May present fearful, anxious, submissive, tense, nervous, disoriented, aggressive, agitated, hostile and uncooperative
- Multiple sexual partners
- Multiple episodes of STI's
- Inappropriate attire for a health care visit (eg, lingerie)
- Tattoos or other types of branding
- Unusual dynamic between patient and partner (controlling behaviour: speaks for the patient, provides interpretation, won't separate from patient)
- Older male partner
- Signs of sexual abuse: intra-oral bruising, lacerations, vulvar/ perineal bruising, vaginal lacerations, anal lacerations, gynaecological fistulas, cervical and rectal prolapse
- Signs of physical abuse: lacerations, bruises, fractures, burns, fractured teeth
- Delay in care
- Lack of any official identification papers or cards
- No medical Insurance
- Vague answers about their situation
- Inconsistent History
- No eye contact
- No control of their money
- Services paid for by untraceable means (eg. cash, prepaid credit card)
- Malnourishment
- Signs of depression or PTSD
- New expensive clothing
- Drug or alcohol addiction
- Unable to provide home address, unfamiliar with surroundings, truancy, foster care, criminal record/ criminal activity or juvenile detention
- Involved in commercial sex trade
- Patient appears to be monitored by trafficker (through texting, phone calls GPS-enabled phone)

Human Trafficking/Sexual Exploitation, Youth and Child Exploitation in BC Resources/Contacts :

Victim Service Contacts and Assistance to Physicians:

- Fraser Health Forensic Nurse Service 1-855-814-8194 (24/7)

-Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons (OCTIP) at 1-888-712-7974 (24/7, interpretation available) or 604-660-5199 email : octip@gov.bc.ca

-Vancouver Rape Relief and Women's Shelter at 604-872-8212; info@rapereliefshelter.bc.ca (24/7)

-Deborah Gates Safe Shelter (Salvation Army) at 1-855-332-4283 (24/7)

info@deborahsgate.ca

website: <https://www.deborahsgate.ca/>

-Resist Exploitation Embrace Dignity (REED) at 604-753-9929 (Faith Based)

-RCMP: Victims of Human Trafficking National Headquarters (Ottawa) at 1-866-677-7267 (24/7)

-Covenant House- crisis program for ages 16-24, at 604-685-7474; info@covenanthousebc.org

-Plea Community Services Society assisting youth at 604-708-2647; onyx@plea.bc.ca (24/7)

-Children of the Street Society in Coquitlam- founder Diane Sowden, at 604-777-7510; info@childrenofthestreet.com

Extensive RESOURCE LIST FOR EVERY COMMUNITY IN BC

-VictimLinkBC Ministry of Public Safety, BC at 1-800-563-0808 (24/7)

-Youth Against Violence- info@youthagainstviolenceline.com at 1-800-680-4264 (24/7)

-BC Counsel for Families : bccf@bccf.ca at 604-678-8884 (offers parent support groups)

Authorities Contacts:

-New Westminster Police Department Major Crimes Unit (24 hours) *Power-Based Crime Unit under development*

-RCMP Human Trafficking Coordinator for BC/Yukon at 604-598-4603

Contact Jassy Bindra (RCMP) at 778-282-1215; jassy.bindra@rcmp-grc.gc.ca

CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

-Ministry of Child Protection Services 1-800-663-9122 or 604-660-4927 (24 hours)

or 604-310-1234 if a child in danger would like to reach Ministry of Child and Family Development

- Human Trafficking Screening Protocol (by FHA Forensic Nursing Service):

What type of work do you do? Can you leave your job or situation if you want? Can you come and go as you please? Have you been threatened if you try to leave? Have you been physically harmed in any way? What are your working or living conditions like? Where do you sleep and eat? Do you sleep in a bed, cot or on the floor? Have you been deprived of food, water, sleep or medical care? Do you have permission to eat, sleep or go to the bathroom? Are there locks on your doors and windows so you cannot get out? Has anyone threatened your family? Has your identification for documentation been taken from you? Is anyone forcing you to do anything that you do not want to do?

Evaluation of safety: Are you feeling safe right now? Is it safe for me to talk to you? Do you have any concerns for your safety? Is there anything I can do for you? Are they or their loved ones being threatened?

- Signs of Sex trafficking for parents to look for: new expensive clothing, secretive social life, won't introduce boyfriend, falling grades

- Five Warning Signs of Recruitment: age difference, gifting, lifestyle changes, isolation, gut feeling

- Indicators of human trafficking and sexual exploitation: www.traffickingresourcecenter.org

- Canadian Federal Law: The Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons act (Bill C-36): criminalizes the buyer of sex, the predator, trafficker, and facilitator. Recognizes the seller of sex is a victim; usually female and is not criminalized. Exit strategies are in place to assist the victim out of the sex trade.

- Resources/Books/Videos:

Documentaries: "Enslaved and Exploited", "Red Light, Green Light" by Canadian film producers Jared and Michelle Brock.

Books: "Invisible Chains" by Benjamin Perrin, UBC Law Professor. "Half the Sky" by Nicolas Kristoff- New York bestseller describing the global sex trade. "The Natasha's", "The John's" by W5 award winning Canadian journalist Victor Malarek. "Pornland" by international porn researcher Dr. Gail Dines, New York bestseller on porn culture. "No Choice, No Job" by Dr. Janice Raymond-global expert on sex trade research. "Prostitution in Nevada" by Dr. Melissa Farley- a 2 year study of the prostitution culture in Nevada, USA. "Girls Like Us" by Rachel Lloyd- a memoir by a survivor of the sex trade. "Paid For: My Journey through Prostitution" by Rachel Moran describes her prostitution experience in Ireland. "Walking Prey- How America's youth are vulnerable to sex slavery" by Holly Austin Smith. "Your Brain On Porn- internet Pornography and the Emerging Science of Addiction" by Gary Wilson.

Online: thetraffickedhuman.org is a website that gives an overview of the issue in BC. Human trafficking online course from BC OCTIP (Office to Combat Trafficking in Persons). Dr. Jackson Katz TEDtalk on men, violence and silence. The Joy Smith Foundation-resource list (Canadian and International.) Dr. Gail Dines TEDtalk on porn culture. Trisha Baptie TEDtalk- a survivor from the downtown east side. Cybertip.ca- stay safe online. "fightthenewdrug" website addressing youth porn use and addiction. "CNN special report (2015) "Children for Sale: The Fight to End Human Trafficking" by Jada Pinkett Smith.