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17. G. Mandziuk, President & CEO, Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association – letter dated May 4, 2018 – Drive for Sustainability
18. D. Sharman, Community Relations Manager, Thompson/Okanagan/Columbia, BC Hydro – email dated May 17, 2018 – 2018 UBCM Convention
19. F. Katz, National Director, Corporate & Community Development, Prostate Cancer Canada – email dated May 24, 2018 – Plaid for Dad Political Ambassador Request
20. L. Embury-Williams, Executive Director, Wood WORKS! BC – letter dated May 15, 2018 – The 2018 Community Recognition Awards Call for Nominations
21. T. Rysz, Mayor, District of Sicamous – letter dated May 9, 2018 – KM Trans Mountain Pipeline impasse with the Province of Alberta





**CITY OF SALMON ARM  
BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT  
APRIL 2018**

REVISED JUNE 1/18

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

CURRENT YEAR (2018)  
CURRENT MONTH      YEAR-TO-DATE

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	10	3,545,000	31	8,743,270	12	4,020,000	34	10,749,999
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	5	128,767	25	923,827	9	209,891	37	1,467,524
3	New Modulares/MH's (Factory Built)	4	757,000	6	1,007,000	-	-	2	524,000
4	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulares/MH's	-	-	1	16,000	2	8,755	5	15,155
5	MFD's (# Units)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 (4)	1,049,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	1	2,000	1	2,000	1	1,500	1	1,500
7	New Commercial	-	-	1	400,000	-	-	-	-
8	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	4	87,000	10	462,400	3	48,900	4	98,900
9	New Industrial	-	-	1	135,000	1	50,000	3	270,000
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	2	14,500	2	14,500	-	-	2	132,000
11	New Institutional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	1	3,000	3	22,000	-	-	1	9,000
13	Signs	3	4,895	14	35,660	1	589	10	46,044
14	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Demolitions	2	-	5	-	2	-	2	-
16	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-
17	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	-	-	11	-	3	-	4	-
	<b>TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>4,542,162</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>11,761,657</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>4,339,635</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>14,363,122</b>

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







**CITY OF SALMON ARM  
BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT  
MAY 2018**

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

CURRENT YEAR (2018)  
CURRENT MONTH      YEAR-TO-DATE

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	12	4,372,000	43	13,115,270	14	4,637,000	48	15,386,999
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	13	506,499	38	1,430,326	4	110,000	41	1,577,524
3	New Modulars/MH's (Factory Built)	2	362,000	8	1,369,000	2	316,000	4	840,000
4	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulars/MH's	2	60,000	3	76,000	-	-	5	15,155
5	MFD's (# Units)	1 (4)	1,049,000	1 (4)	1,049,000	1 (4)	550,000	2 (8)	1,599,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	-	-	1	2,000	-	-	1	1,500
7	New Commercial	-	-	1	400,000	-	-	-	-
8	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	2	25,500	12	487,900	2	60,000	6	158,900
9	New Industrial	-	-	1	135,000	1	30,000	4	300,000
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	-	-	2	14,500	1	35,000	3	167,000
11	New Institutional	-	-	-	-	1	100,000	1	100,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	-	-	3	22,000	1	35,000	2	44,000
13	Signs	-	-	14	35,660	5	16,200	15	62,244
14	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	Demolitions	-	-	5	-	3	-	5	-
16	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	-	-	1	-	1	-	3	-
17	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	1	-	12	-	-	-	4	-
	<b>TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>6,374,999</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>18,136,656</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5,889,200</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>20,252,322</b>

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	19,265,124	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
2018	1,970,104	3,943,104	10,028,787	14,363,122	20,252,322							



February 13, 2018.

Mayor Nancy Cooper and members of Council,

Salmon Arm, BC.

Dear Mayor Nancy Cooper and Councilors Chad Eliason, Kevin Flynn, Alan Harrison , Ken Jamieson , Tim Lavery, Louise Wallace-Richmond .

Regarding November Diabetes Month and some history :

The icon , a Blue Circle , was originally developed for the campaign that resulted in the passage of United Nations Resolution 61/225 "World Diabetes Day" The campaign for a United Nations Resolution on diabetes was a response to the diabetes pandemic that is set to overwhelm healthcare resources everywhere. The campaign mobilized diabetes stakeholders behind the common cause of securing a United Nations Resolution on diabetes. The United Nations passed Resolution 61/225 'World Diabetes Day' on December 20, 2006 "

I humbly request to celebrate the Diabetes Community by placing outdoor BLUE lights along the appropriate places of City Hall this coming month of November and including subsequent years .

November 14 is Dr. Frederick Banting's Birthday , co- discoverer of insulin , a life line for many of us living in Salmon Arm . Globally his Birthday is celebrated yearly. There are an estimate of 11 million Canadians living with diabetes, pre diabetes and undiagnosed diabetes, including in the Shuswap. Salmon Arm sadly is home to many!

Respectfully yours,

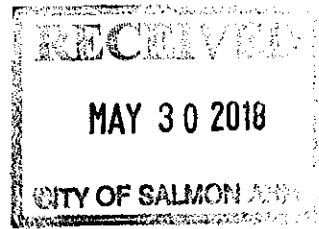
✱ Petronella ( Nel ) Peach , 250-832-9735 . Living in Salmon Arm since 1999 and living with type 1 diabetes 35 years.

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May 27, 2018

To Mayor and Council..



PLEASE do not consider the "Plug and Play" stage/performance on the wharf. We "walk the wharf" regularly throughout the year along with many others, local residents and visitors from around the world, the constant comment we hear is how very fortunate we are to have this wharf with its view of the lake, vistas of the surrounding hills and mountains and of course the bird life seen from it. They always end by saying how peaceful and pleasant it all is.

I cannot believe that anyone who has enjoyed this experience could take part in destroying one of the greatest assets that Salmon Arm has.

Apart from the above, consider the garbage both on the end of the wharf and thrown over the railings into the lake below. Consider the harm to birds who frequent the area, of which there are many, both flyers and waterfowl. Consider the parking, which is already a big problem in the area especially in the summer when evening events occur along with increased traffic.

As noted, Salmon Arm already has both the Ross Street Stage and Wednesdays on the Wharf, surely Plug and Play could find another venue, but please, do not let it be on the wharf.

Thank you for your attention,

*Betty Rogers*



May 28, 2018.  
#8 Alcide Place,  
51 Eighth Avenue SW  
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 3L9



Mayor and Councillors,  
City of Salmon Arm,  
Salmon Arm, B.C.

Dear Nancy and Councillors:

Re: Water Supply for the Community Gardens

I have had correspondence with you over the past two years regarding this matter and have received a response from Erin Jackson to the effect that the Council cannot install or fix water pipes without the express permission of Ida Vista Housing Corporation.

This is a dilemma:

- As suggested by Ms Jackson, we have contacted IVHC but have not received a reply.
- We have attended a Board Meeting of IVHC to explain the situation – they said they would look into it and get back to us. This has not happened.
- You are unable to provide water on this property.
- We are still hauling water from a property across the street.

Your Council's Community Plan seems in favor of community gardens:

- 7.2.6 *Incorporate urban agriculture within the community*
- 7.3.19 *Research opportunities to promote urban agriculture, such as **community gardens.***

Recent construction of apartment blocks, town house complexes would indicate that there will be a need in the future for more community gardens. Perhaps the City would consider development on City property where providing water supply would not be an issue.

Yours truly,

Mary Sinhuber

Member of the Community Garden

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**From:** Debra McDonald [<mailto:debram2@telus.net>]  
**Sent:** June 6, 2018 1:04 AM  
**To:** Rob Hein  
**Cc:** Rob Niewenhuizen; Jason Chernoff; Darin Gerow  
**Subject:** Re: City approval letter For Canoe Beach event

**Attached is a very simple map of our event if approved.**

July 17 from 11 till four. Our goal is to promote the paddleboard for Adaptable adventure on the Shuswap. We now have the funding from BC parks and will be purchasing our own Adaptable paddleboard later this summer.

Please take a read through this and if you have any questions let me know and I'm sure there is a pretty big possibility that we could find a solution.

**Our map incorporates A B C**

**A is the 10 x 10 canopy tent and the use of the picnic table at the back of the volleyball court that way we can watch our paddlers enjoy their day.**

**B handicap parking and parking for access revolution to unload and load the paddleboard. All the volunteers would park in the normal parking and walk over**

**C There are two points of entry onto the wharf side grassy area that is where the wheelchair users would gain access. We would need those areas to not be blocked. We definitely need a flat area for the use of our lift for people like myself who need to get lifted from their wheelchair to the manual wheelchair.**

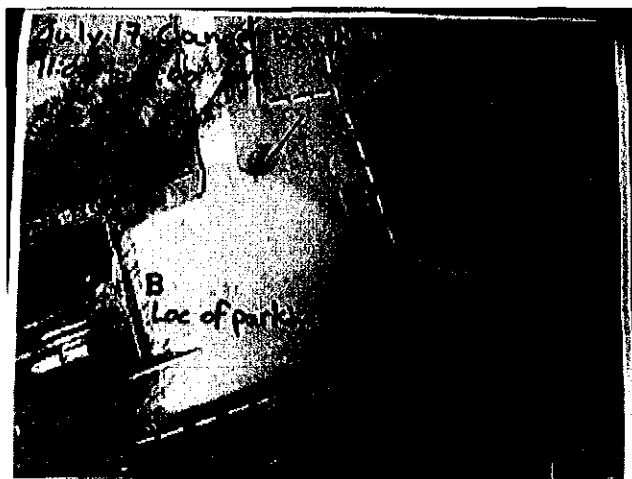




**The last item is the ramp. Basically from 11 to 4 every hour we Would have A wheelchair that would use the side of the ramp to get down to the water and then 90° to where we would have our own ramp that gets onto the paddleboard and then we would be paddling for an hour. Then the next person etc.**

**We may have at the most 10 paddlers. Most others will be volunteers and parking in the normal parking. We have people coming from Revelstoke to enjoy our warm Shuswap water.**

**So if we were to get approval then we need the certificate of insurance and additional insured would be the city of Salmon arm do I include access revolution as an additional insured or do they just have their own insurance Which they do. Let's me know so I can let Barton insurance Adjust the insurance certificate.**







On Jun 4, 2018, at 8:05 AM, Rob Hein <[rhein@salmonarm.ca](mailto:rhein@salmonarm.ca)> wrote:

Debra:

This will have to go to council for Approval so your correspondence should be directed to Rob Niewenhuizen, Director of Engineering & Public Works who I have cc on this reply. He will need to know the proposed date and should have a map indicating tent site and requested parking area as there is no parking on the rowing club site. The boat launch area is pretty constricted when larger boats come to launch or when the site gets busy we will want to review that request with you. Great event, looking forward to seeing you on the water.

Cheers.

Rob Hein  
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**From:** Debra McDonald [<mailto:debram2@telus.net>]  
**Sent:** June 3, 2018 10:57 PM  
**To:** Rob Hein  
**Cc:** [jordankerton@yahoo.ca](mailto:jordankerton@yahoo.ca); [ndmn81@hotmail.com](mailto:ndmn81@hotmail.com); [staasmail@gmail.com](mailto:staasmail@gmail.com); [Kendall.Moland@hubinternational.com](mailto:Kendall.Moland@hubinternational.com)  
**Subject:** City approval letterFor Canoe Beach

Shuswap TrailRider Adaptive Adventure Society would like to request permission and we would also like to invite the city of Salmon Arm to enjoy our event at Canoe Beach. We would like to set up a 10 x 10 tent at the boat launch side of Canoe Beach. The purpose of this event is to provide public exposure to adaptable paddle boarding. The adaptable paddle board is specifically designed to provide those that are disabled or have mobility limited by a wheelchair the opportunity to engage in paddlesports. This will be the second year for the adaptable paddle board event at Canoe Beach. We would also like permission to park on the Shuswap rowing in paddling club site due to the ease of getting from point A to point B when you're already mobility challenged. The event runs from 11 till 4. Access revolution from Vernon will be our out of town guests. Thanks to the successful application to BC Parks Park Enhancement Fund we will be purchasing an Access Revolution Adaptable paddle board for the Shuswap. Both societies have insurance and require an outline of what the city would like for our certificate of insurance.



# downtown SALMON ARM

Mayor and Council  
City of Salmon Arm  
PO Box 40  
Salmon Arm, BC, V1E 4N2  
June 5, 2018

Dear Mayor and Council

Re: Inspiring Communities Program – Fun in the Park Grant

Salmon Arm Downtown Improvement Association, in partnership with the Shuswap Community Foundation and Canadian Mental Health has developed a program called 'Inspiring Communities'. This program focuses on communities coming together in a healthy and active way, with the understanding that residents know what is needed to enhance their quality of life for themselves, their families and friends.

The Shuswap Community Foundation will offer Fun in the Park grant funding up to \$300 to support community led events, programs and activities at Marine Peace Park. This grant may be used to purchase one day event liability insurance, supplies, food, etc.

Fun in the Park events can be small or big and is a year-round program.

To be eligible for a Fun in the Park Grant, the event must be a gathering that brings people together. In all cases, the event must be free, inclusive and community-driven. There will be an application process and Downtown Salmon Arm will receive the initial application. Once received and any queries or concerns resolved, the application will then be forwarded to the other partners who will all review the application. Once approved, the event organizer will be responsible for booking with the Salmon Arm Recreation Program Coordinator and acquiring appropriate insurance.

The step-by-step procedures for hosting an event will be outlined in the Inspiring Communities Program document.

Some types of events we'd like to encourage and approve are storytelling/book exchange, holiday celebration/Family Day, meet and greet social/picnic, nature walk/walk & talk, art project, hacky sack/bocce, park clean-up, live music.

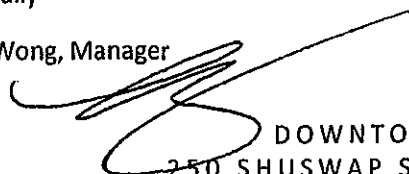
Why plan a community event?

- Get to know who is in your community,
- Encourage new relationships and strengthen existing ones
- Increase opportunities for people to connect
- Exchange skills and knowledge

Thank you for your continued support for downtown events and programming.

Respectfully

Lindsay Wong, Manager



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SALMON ARM, BRITISH COLUMBIA V1E 4P9

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Salmon Arm Children's Festival Society  
Box 2105 Salmon Arm BC V1E 4R1

May 22, 2018

Attention: Mayor Nancy Cooper & City Council Members

Salmon Arm Children's Festival Society has been busy planning the 2018 Salmon Arm Children's Festival and is excited about this year's event. We are requesting once again that the City of Salmon Arm support the event by providing some manpower to assist our volunteers in setting up and taking down the two large tents used at the event. Set up would take place on Friday June 29<sup>th</sup> and take down the morning of Tuesday July 3rd. Having the City's support assisting us with the tents has been so appreciative and has made the assembly of the tents safer.

This year's Festival will take place on Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:45am-3:00pm on the North side of the Salmon Arm Fairgrounds. The event is free for all families and we expect large numbers as we have in the past few years. Attendees can expect great family entertainment, games, crafts, petting zoo, clowns, bouncy house fun and much more. We would like to extend an invitation out to all Council members to consider attending or volunteer at the festival. Please spread the word to anyone you think may be interested in volunteering as this is an excellent opportunity for the youth of our city to get involved.

Thank you for considering our request if you require further information please contact myself @ 250-832-6192 or email [shuswapdaycare@telus.net](mailto:shuswapdaycare@telus.net)

Sincerely

Karen Bubola  
Co-Chair Salmon Arm Children's Festival Society

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**From:** Lori Onsorte [<mailto:lonsorte@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** May-28-18 8:20 AM  
**To:** Nancy Cooper  
**Subject:** "Smart" technology

May 20, 2018

Dear Mayor Nancy Cooper and council members,

I understand you have some difficult challenges coming up. You have to decide whether to follow the increased proliferation of endless wireless signals in what some like to call "Smart Cities" or whether to lead the way to "Truly Smart Cities" which use wired fibre optics and hardwired computer technology. I believe you have the ability and integrity to be leaders in BC and Canada that truly lead the way to safer use of technology and send a message that you are working for the benefit of your neighbours, children and community rather than for the profits of big business!

"Smart (Stupid) Meters" took away many people's jobs, cause fires (well documented), cause electrical malfunctions (e.g. many appliance failures resulting in expensive replacements being necessary), do not allow easy, accurate tracking of electrical line failures as had been put forward as a major plus, are at the root of very serious health consequences, cost the citizens millions for new meters which can only last several years, while the perfectly functioning and safe analogue meters which easily last for 30 or more years are thrown away, all this and much more, only for the benefit of the industry's shareholders, not the people.

Much of the world's independent scientists have documented the health hazards of wireless signals that are not natural to human health (nor to any other creature for that matter). I, unfortunately, know many individuals personally who can no longer live in our cities (even Salmon Arm) due to the wireless signals. When you hear of young adults dying of cancer in their 20's from wireless exposure, you mourn. Even younger children are seriously suffering this consequence. I tried taking a beautiful teenager to a youth event in an area that supposedly had no cell coverage available only to have her nearly pass out from the signals of the other youths' cell devices ramping up their signal to try and find coverage. The youth were willing to shut off all their devices, unfortunately too late to have this severely affected student stay. She is homeschooled as she cannot attend school and can't even write a school exam in a public school in Salmon Arm, even after school hours! How would you respond if this were your daughter or granddaughter?

Someone asked me last week if we asked everyone to turn off their devices in our church so she could come to church as she has had to miss having this fellowship for the last 7 years. I don't know if people can understand that concept if it doesn't affect them.

I was reminded last week of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's criticism of his fellow German citizens for not speaking out regarding Hitler's outrageous killing of fellow citizens. Most chose to say nothing if it didn't affect them personally. What a shameful legacy!

It's easy to say Health Canada says it's safe. They also said smoking was good for you...thalidomide was safe (long after the manufacturers were forced to take it off the market), DDT was safe, asbestos was safe, etc., etc. Do you think they work for the benefit of the people or for big business????



You have the potential to make a difference in the welfare of your citizens. Take the time to invite their input, review the real science (e.g. non-industry funded 2012 Bio Initiative report( [www.biointitiative.org](http://www.biointitiative.org) ) and apply caution.

Cell towers should be nowhere near schools, homes and businesses where people study, work and play. The strong stance of your membership illustrated this at the UBCM 2017 with the unanimous vote for local land authorities and citizens to be consulted on "microcell transmitter siting within 100 meters of residences, schools and hospitals". A continued strong position against the proliferation of wireless, I know will take tremendous courage but know that many people will support you and help you to take a stand and make a difference especially against 5G. Apparently people still have a voice in our country. Let me know how I can help?

Please call me (250. 803.4689) to let me know how I could contribute.

Sincerely,

Lori Onson Citizens for Safe Technology - Shuswap-North Okanagan



## HOUSEHOLDS



## AVERAGE & MEDIAN INCOMES



### AVERAGE PROPORTION OF INCOME SPENT ON RENT & UTILITIES

British Columbia	Salmon Arm
23%	25%



### AVERAGE MONTHLY RENT & UTILITIES

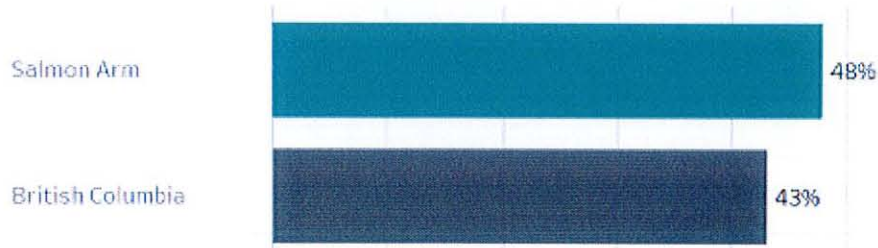
British Columbia	Salmon Arm
\$1,148	\$926



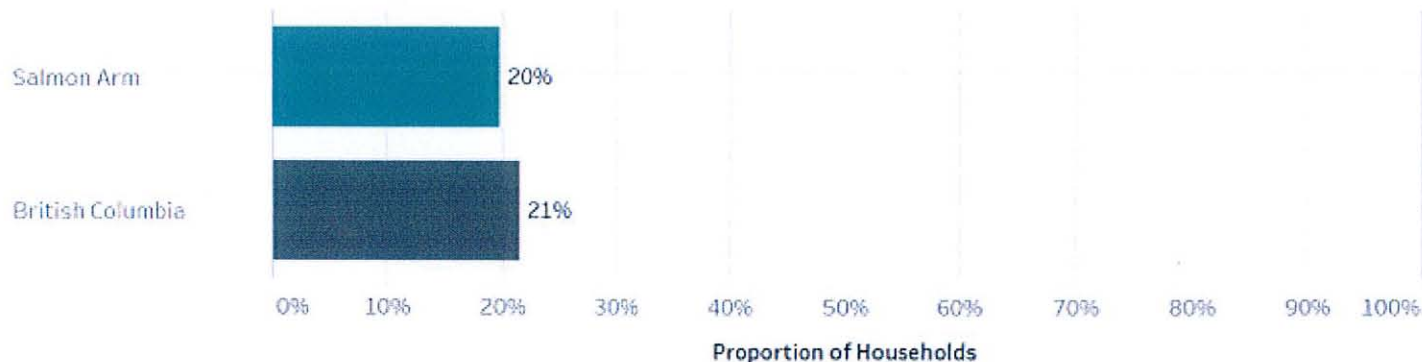
### HOUSEHOLDS LIVING IN OVERCROWDED CONDITIONS

British Columbia	Salmon Arm
10%	4%

## HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING OVER 30% OF INCOME ON RENT AND UTILITIES



## HOUSEHOLDS SPENDING OVER 50% OF INCOME ON RENT AND UTILITIES







SALMON ARM MUSEUM & HERITAGE ASSOCIATION AT

# R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum

751 Hwy. 97B NE

P.O. Box 1642

Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P7

## Father's Day at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum



The fun never stops at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum. Join us and celebrate Father's Day on Sunday, June 17, 2018. Treat Dad to Marjorie's \$6.00 Pancake Breakfast and stay the whole day. Explore how the Shuswap pioneers lived and played while discovering the stories of our rich local history.

Children can challenge dad to a game of croquet, ring toss and discover the pioneer secrets of the Shuswap's largest heritage park with a special Father's Day scavenger hunt. Then visit the Haney house and see how the Haney's lived in 1910. BBQ lunch starting at \$5.50 will be served up in the outdoor kitchen.

The entertainment does not stop there! Enjoy wagon rides, Haney's old fashioned carnival with games of chance and skill, face painting, children's crafts, learn how to walk on stilts or panning for real Haney gold. The Village will be alive with displays and demonstrations from the Shuswap Pioneer Collectors Club, the Shuswap Spinners and Weavers and more.

Visitors can join Miss Halpenny, the first teacher at the Broadview School, where she will teach children the three "R's". Mr. Newnes' apprentice blacksmith will be busy in the 1913 Newnes Blacksmith Shop working the forge mending tools and making horseshoes. Be sure to visit Cyril Thomson in the Lester Thomson Garage, which is home to the Museum's car collection and includes the 1925 Model T Ford, 1918 McLaughlin, 1919 Model T Touring Car and Pat Shirley's 1928 Plymouth.

Local entertainer, Peter Clark will have you swaying to soft rock tunes in the morning. The entertainment does not stop there! Salmon Arm's favourite country duo Vicky and Jon will keep you singing along on the Haney stage in the afternoon.

Come play the pioneer way at R.J. Haney Heritage Village & Museum located at 751-Highway 97 B Salmon Arm. The gate is open at 8:30am. Admission for adults is \$7.00, 6-13 years is \$5.00 and children under five are free. Annual pass holders receive \$1.00 off gate admission. For more information call 250-832-5243 visit our website, [www.salmonarmmuseum.org](http://www.salmonarmmuseum.org) or like us at [www.facebook.com/Haneyheritage](https://www.facebook.com/Haneyheritage).



**Come Play the Pioneer Way**



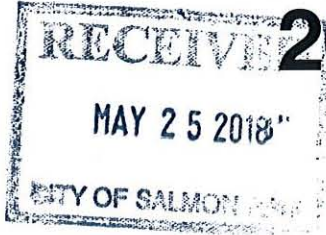
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Thank you to the City of Salmon Arm and the Community Foundation for their financial support which allowed the Salmon Arm Pottery Club to upgrade their overhead lighting in the lower level rooms of the Salmon Arm Arts Centre.

The Salmon Arm Pottery Club

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# 2018 RCMP Musical Ride

## PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**SALMON ARM, MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018**

**City of Salmon Arm**  
**Nancy Cooper,**

The world famous RCMP Musical Ride will stage two performances on Monday, July 16, in Salmon Arm, at the Fairgrounds, and one more performance the next day in Sicamous.

To offset the hard costs incurred, as well as raise funds to support local Salmon Arm Rotary Club projects, and improve the grandstands at the Fairgrounds on behalf of the Salmon Arm Shuswap Lake Agricultural Association, we request that you join us in supporting these goals.

We are asking you to provide \$300 which will sponsor one of the 36 pairs of riders and horses involved in this great community event. In return for your financial support, you will receive your logo featured with your paired rider and horse in the event program, 4 tickets for the event; and an invitation to a "by invitation only" event to meet your sponsored pair.

Please fill out the enclosed registration application and mail, fax, or email the completed form. The first 36 replies will ensure participation in this sponsorship.

For additional event details and tickets, please visit [www.OurRotary.com](http://www.OurRotary.com)

For more information please contact:

**SALMON ARM ROTARY CLUB**

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# 2018 RCMP Musical Ride

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SALMON ARM, MONDAY, JULY 16, 2018**

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Please make your cheque payable to the Rotary Club of Salmon Arm and mail it to ...

Rotary Club of Salmon Arm  
Box 224  
Salmon Arm BC V1E 4N2

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# #83 Newsline

/ North Okanagan-Shuswap School District #83 /

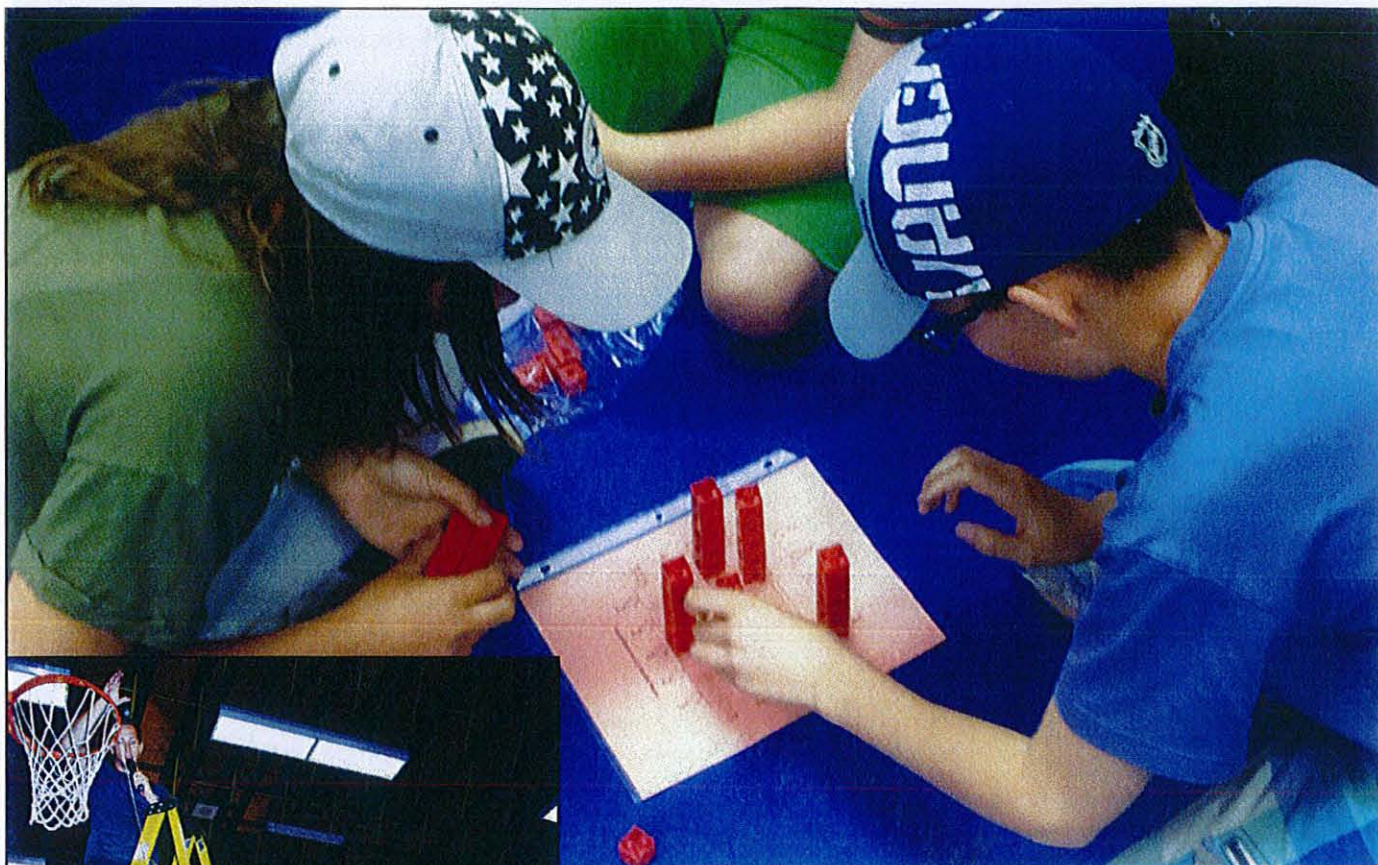
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Local artisan Debbie Porteous (seen above on left) has been working with students in Cristine Lawrence's (top right) grade3/4 class on making mosaic coasters (they made wonderful Mother's Day gifts) and then they tackled a mosaic logo for their school. Each student will do a star on the logo and then will work as a group to finish the rest. Porteous, who teaches mosaics at her home decided to volunteer at the school to give back to her community.







### Math Olympics

Organizers were hoping for at least 30 teams (of three students in grades 6-8) to take part in the district's initial Math Olympics on May 15 at Shuswap Middle School, but actually had to halt registration when they received 60 registrations!

Students took part in five stations (individual written test, Skyscrapers challenge (top photo) problem solving, design challenge and group problem solving).

(Photo on left) During lunch, the "countries" (teams from various schools were randomly divided into countries for the day) used their math skills to get a bungee-jumping barbie doll as close to the floor as possible (without actually touching it) using only a plethora of rubber bands!

(Below) At the end of day, with all scores tallied, gold (Austria), silver (Japan) and bronze (Czech Republic) medals were awarded to the students representing the winning "countries".

A group of Heather Lawless' math students from Salmon Arm Secondary helped out as mentors and guides during the successful day, which was organized by the SD83 District Math Committee.





# Upcoming

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\*enter to win a trip to Portugal



#BikeToWork #BikeToSchool #BikeToWorkBC #BikeToWorkCA

## District track and field

The District Track Meet will be at Little Mountain Park in Salmon Arm on Tuesday, June 5.

## For parents

**HOW TO TALK AND DEAL WITH SUBSTANCE USE and your YOUTH**

Wednesday, May 30th  
6:30PM - 8:00PM  
S083 District Education Centre  
341 Shawap Street SW  
Salmon Arm, BC

**Topics to be discussed...**

- What are the substance use issues in our S083 communities
- What are the drugs our teens are using
- Fentanyl
- What will happen when pot is legalized
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**Presenters...**

LENN FROST, BC Mental Health & Substance Use Youth Clinician  
CANDY FROST, School Health Living Coach  
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School District #83  
Interior Health  
DPAC

## RUMPELSTILTSKIN



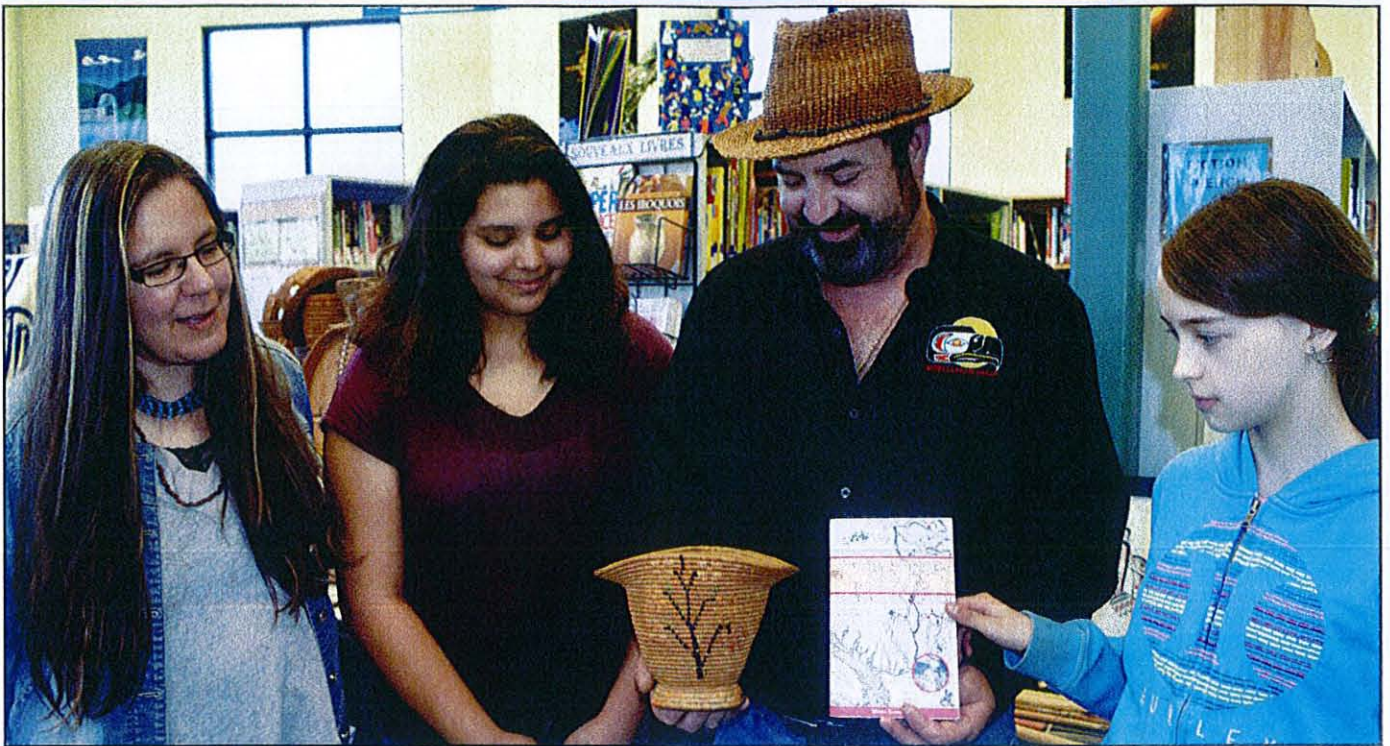
Students at South Broadview Elementary enjoyed putting together and performing Rumpelstiltskin on May 1 and 2. Lois Towgood and Carl Cooper directed the play.

## LEN WOOD CONNECT GROUP



The Connect group at Len Wood Middle School has been busy volunteering in a variety of settings with the goal for connection, mental wellness, purpose and providing a social connection to the school. These pictures show one project that the students enjoyed. The Len Wood students designed and made a busy board for a local daycare and presented it.





## Mobile museum visits Shuswap

Years of Indigenous, gold rush and fur trade history and artifacts were recently shared with students from Shuswap Middle School, and the best part is that it is all from the Pacific Northwest region.

Tony Hardie, who is a descendant of the Secwepemc people but is based out of North Delta, describes himself as a die-hard collector that is lucky to be able to share his passion and his large collection of historical items, with students.

"I've been collecting since I was 10." He now has 20,000 to 30,000 artifacts in his "mobile" museum, including a 9,000 year old shoe.

During his presentation Hardie discusses the traditional territories of B.C., basketweaving, carving, weaponries and tools for hunting and fishing, the fur trade and the gold rush and its impact on First Nations people.

"I talk about the evolution of the stone tool, currency, prehistoric animals, stone beads, and the importance of the cedar tree, which is also known as the tree of life, and how to harvest the bark so you don't hurt the tree."

Hardie commented the students at SMS were very attentive and asked good questions.







## Growing "green thumbs" at Grindrod

Thumbs are turning green at Grindrod Elementary School!

The school has teamed up with Gabriele and Wolf Wesle of Greencroft Gardens in Grindrod who are providing seeds, their time and expertise to teach students about gardening. They have already helped with seed selection and planting, explains school principal Jeff Abbott.

Along with the gardens, fruit trees and berry bushes planted outside the school, each classroom has a mini greenhouse.

Recently students travelled to Greencroft to see the production in their greenhouses and gardens and learned about transplanting.

"Gabriele will be coming to the

school to help the students transplant from their classroom greenhouses to the outside beds."

"We will travel to the farm on several occasions from now until the fall to involve students in work at the farm, to learn about cultivating, planting and maintaining the gardens, as well as harvesting the food and collecting seeds."

"Our goal is to use our homegrown fruit and produce to create a celebration meal at Grindrod in the fall," he said.

"We also plan to become seed savers and collect and reuse our own seeds from this year's crop, and from Greencroft, so we have our own bank of seeds."

Abbott added they were excited to hear they will be receiving a \$1,000 grant from the proceeds of the Everything Shuswap book. "Many thanks to Jim Cooperman for his generous support of outdoor education in schools."

Abbott noted they will use the money to do field trips with Knowledge Keepers to learn about indigenous plants and their traditional uses.

The plan is to grow and harvest some of the indigenous plants in a circular garden at the school.

"Our long term goal is for students to have the skills to successfully grow and harvest their own home gardens."





# The Gut Project

There was song, dance and art creations but this wasn't a typical fine arts performance - this was an adventure through the human digestive system following the journey of an egg salad sandwich and a pop!

With the help of community health nurse Maryanne Domarchuk, Grindrod elementary students learned all about the human digestive tract and about how what goes into their bodies, each day, helps keep them healthy and growing.

With the help of Runaway Moon Theatre Company, the students' knowledge was turned into a multi-dimensional interactive show.

This included making tee-shirts for each student representing the digestive system, which they wore during the show.

After more than two months of work, the school put on two public performances. As the audience entered the gym they received a scarf (which were different colours and represented the nutrients taken from the food). The students claimed these scarves as the audience "worked" its way through the digestive tract.

After the grand opening, emceed by student Torin Raglan, the audience travelled







to stations in the hallways and classrooms through the school where they were treated to performances by the mouth (grade 2-3), esophagus (kindergarten/grade 1), stomach (grade 4/5), liver and pancreas (some grade 5/6/7s), small intestine (grade 5/6/7s), and the large intestine (grade 1/2) before being bid farewell and "out the other end" by two staff members, who handed out a piece of toilet paper and a smile!

Principal Jeff Abbott commented the extensive learning project wouldn't have been possible without a \$9,700 ArtStart grant, as well as funding from Interior Health and the school PAC.

He expressed his thanks to the staff at Grindrod for all of their work and to all who helped out, including Cathy Stubington (artistic director and project co-ordinator), Cathy Hay (dance choreographer), Murray MacDonald (song writer and musical director), Zev Tiefenbach (videographer), Keith Richards (photos) and Teresa Christian, Debbie Humphries and Lorna Tureski (tee shirts).





# Bikes for kids

For many children spring and biking go hand in hand in the North Okanagan-Shuswap! For children with mobility issues finding the right bike can be a challenge.

Some students from School District No. 83 (North Okanagan-Shuswap) were recently able to test adapted bikes.

SD83 Physiotherapist Eline den Boer reports the students had a great time trying different models from Trivel Bikes (a Canadian bike manufacturer out of Quebec) and all were matched with a bike that meets their unique needs and wants.

She will now begin the process of getting a bike for a student by approaching charities for grants, such as Cops for Kids (where student Megan Senn recently received her bike from), Variety Children's Charity or President's Choice Children's Charity. She adds that sometimes it is combination of funds (e.g. parent's contribution and/or multiple charities) which make it possible.

Once funds are raised the end result is happy kids enjoying a ride on their bicycles.



## Graduation ceremonies taking place throughout the school district

It's a special time of year for those graduating from high school in School District No. 83 (North Okanagan-Shuswap). Planned celebrations include:

Indigenous Education Grad  
Wednesday, May 30 at 6:30 p.m.  
Splatsin Community Centre

Eagle River Secondary School  
Friday, June 1 at 7 p.m. at ERS

A.L. Fortune Secondary School  
Friday, June 8 at 7 p.m. at ALF

Salmon Arm Storefront School  
Friday, June 15 at 1 p.m.  
Field of Dreams

Pleasant Valley Secondary School  
Wednesday, June 20 at 7 p.m.  
at NorVal Arena in Armstrong

Salmon Arm Secondary School  
Thursday, June 28 at 7 p.m.  
at Shaw Centre in Salmon Arm

*Congratulations Grads of 2018!*





## Drumlines claim awards at provincials

The junior and senior drumlines from A.L. Fortune Secondary competed in the Canadian Drumline Association's BC Championships at Bateman Secondary in Abbotsford on May 4.

A total of 15 drumlines competed with 13 from B.C. and two guest groups from Ontario.

Music teacher Michelle Honcoop explains there are three performance classes and both of her ensembles competed in the 'concert class'.

Of the seven ensembles in that class, the senior drumline placed second and the junior line captured fourth. Honcoop comments she was very proud of the students' performance and ambassadorship.

"As the only active Drumline in the Okanagan area we would love to see the activity grow locally. In an effort to help bring awareness and expose teachers and students to Drumline, ALF will be sponsoring an event in October with Yamaha Music Canada and the Canadian Drumline Association that will provide introductory workshops in Okanagan schools." If you would like to have a workshop in your school please contact Michelle Reed ([mhoncoop@sd83.bc.ca](mailto:mhoncoop@sd83.bc.ca)).

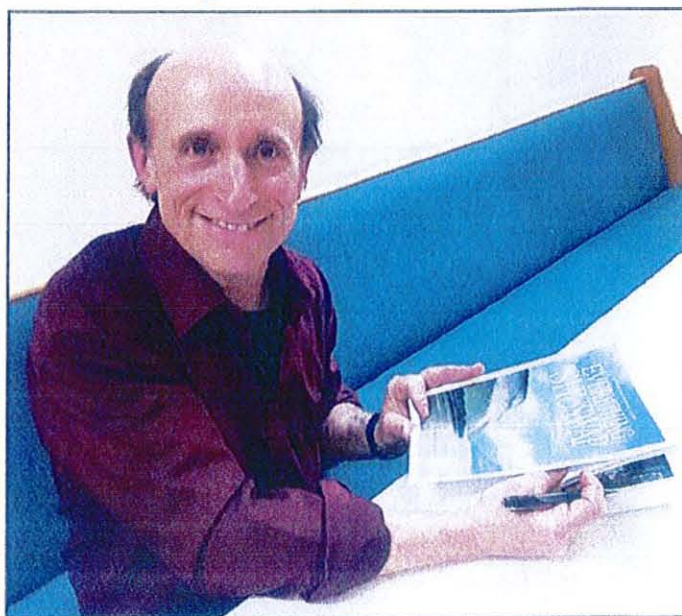
## Schools receive grants from Everything Shuswap

Director of Instruction Carl Cooper is pleased to announce that grants from the proceeds of the book "Everything Shuswap" are being given out to schools.


"Through the generosity of Jim Cooperman, we were able to give out \$8,845 worth of grants to support students with outdoor learning opportunities,"

"Also, 1,113 students will directly benefit from these grants supporting outdoor focused field trips to destinations such as Kingfisher, the watershed, Larch Hills, Raven Trail, Adams Lake, North Fork and more.

Copies of the book can be purchased at local bookstores, Askew's, Blind Bay Village Grocer and other local stores, the book is also available in community and school libraries. "We thank Jim for his partnership, support of students and his advocacy for education about nature and our local community."







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SALMON ARM RCMP



School District #83

Interior Health



Coming up, he reported that many of our students will be taking part in Bike to School Week from May 28 to June 3, and the district elementary track meet at Little Mountain Park on June 5.

He also invited parents and interested community members on "How to Talk and Deal with Substance Use and your Youth" on Wednesday, May 30 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the District Education Support Centre (DESC).

"This is a free workshop and we encourage all those with an interest to attend." The workshop is sponsored by DPAC, the SD83, Interior Health and the RCMP.

### Next meeting

The next regular public meeting of the board will be on Tuesday, June 19 at 6 p.m. at the DESC.



program to school age residents of the school district. The Board believes that regular attendance is integral to student success and will establish procedures through the accompanying administrative regulations for student admission and school attendance.

The Board recognizes that, from time to time, it may be necessary to provide an alternative schedule or educational program. When necessary, schools may withdraw students in accordance with the administrative regulation and the School Act.

### **Operating Fund Projection**

At each board meeting since February, Bittante reports the finance department's "educated guess" at what the district's surplus will be at the end of the fiscal year (June 30th). School district's are legally not allowed to have a deficit. She noted that at this time they are predicting an approximately \$1.1 million surplus which, after eliminating restricted funds, will leave the district with about \$600,000. "As we get closer to the end of the year this figure gets more accurate," she added.

### **School surplus report**

McKay received an update on the status of school surplus spending and deficit remediation. That the Board request an annual report as at June 30th of each year for all schools with greater than 10% of their yearly budget allocation unspent, and that a report also be provided for all schools in a deficit.

In May 2018, Principals were asked to provide an update on their surplus spending plans, and to update the Official Trustee on whether or not any deficit has been addressed in the current year.

For example, A.L. Fortune Secondary had a \$39,774 surplus (30 per cent) in October 2017 due to a number of capital projects which could not be completed by year end (millwork LCD projector installation). The money has now been spent and includes new resources for science and socials, theatre lighting upgrade, gym sound system and wrestling mats.

Eagle River Secondary School had a surplus of \$48,348 (46%), due to the school not spending funds on resources as the new Grade 10-12 curriculum was delayed for another year. A large purchase of equipment did not get processed until after year end. The surplus has now largely been spent on purchasing technology for classrooms, and learning experiences and equipment for student use. The remaining surplus will be spent on new resources to support the renewed curriculum in the following year.

Salmon Arm West Elementary School had a surplus of \$11,714 (46%) due to \$5,000 in District funds being received in June for District Numeracy (related to the Principal's District Numeracy work). The surplus was used to purchase iPads (approximately \$3,000), levelled literacy kits (approximately \$2,000), and math resources (approximately \$1,500). Remaining surplus spending is reserved to support student learning.

Highland Park Elementary School had a surplus of \$18,795 (54%). The surplus was due to budgeting conservatively including anticipating new classroom costs in 2017-18. The surplus was used for new classroom costs, learning resources for the new curriculum, and technology.

McKay commented he appreciated the work and transparency to show how funds are being spent in the schools and if there are reserves or surpluses, what they are being used for.

### **Announcements**

Superintendent Peter Jory reported at the meeting that he was pleased to announce that the district has heard from the Agricultural Land Commission and received permission to re-open South Canoe School. South Canoe will be home to the district's new Outdoor Learning Program in September.

He added that Salmon Arm Secondary is hosting the B.C. Mountain Bike Championships on May 25 and 26th. Over 200 competitors from across the province will be here to compete in the event, including a contingent from SD83 of over 40 riders.

Jory noted that over 180 students took part in the school district's first ever Math Olympics on May 15 at Shuswap Middle School. Students took part in various math stations which tested their math skills.



district is not allowed to run buses beyond capacity and can't be in the position of leaving students on the side of the road."

She added the district does not qualify for Ministry funding to purchase any additional buses at this time. Those funds are available based on eligible riders. There is no allowance made for courtesy riders. Also, the many additions to district routes put into place to accommodate courtesy riders when enrolment was flat or declining, have resulted in some eligible riders being on the bus for up to an additional 45 minutes each way per day.

The results of the transportation review included detailed analysis of certain routes where courtesy routes, stops and extensions were causing capacity challenges. A number of recommendations were presented to the Official Trustee, Senior Management and partner groups in the district for discussion. After a presentation in April just before the DPAC meeting, a further adjustments were made to provide a bus for kindergarten to grade 5 students that live in the downtown Salmon Arm area, and are within 3.5 km of a school. "Without a downtown elementary school for these 110 students they have attend either South Broadview or Hillcrest and that is quite a hike up the hill for little legs," commented McKay.

In all, changes are being made to 12 different routes in the Salmon Arm area to address issues. "These changes will improve service to our eligible riders," explained Bittante.

Now that a decision has been made communication will go out to all those affected by the changes. "It's not that we won't allow courtesy riders," comments McKay. "It's just that the service will only be available if there is capacity on the bus."

McKay thanked Operations Manager Trevor Bettcher and his team for all their work on the review and for finding a way to get a bus route to bring the more than 100 kindergarten to grade 5 students, who are courtesy riders in the downtown Salmon Arm area, up the hill to school. "I think staff has done a good job of meeting the concerns expressed at the transportation review meeting to the best of our ability."

[To read the complete review on the district website please click here \(Transportation Review\).](#)

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## **Annual Facilities Grant**

The 2018-19 annual facilities grant spending plan received approval at the meeting on Tuesday.

The \$1,654,113 will be used on various projects throughout the school district including \$60,000 to level, plant and re-build the playing field at Eagle River after the geo system was installed, \$175,000 to pave the parking lot at North Shuswap, \$30,000 to install an irrigation system at Silver Creek, \$210,000 on roofing projects at Parkview and South Canoe, \$100,000 for welding and forge exhaust system at Eagle River Secondary, \$120,000 for exterior upgrading at Carlin, and \$130,000 technology infrastructure at South Canoe. There will also be smaller projects including asbestos abatement at various sites, fire alarm upgrades at various sites and testing for lead in the water.

## **Trustee elections**

In preparation for trustee elections on October 20, 2018, McKay appointed Carrie Pratt as Chief Electoral Officer and Veronica Deacon as Deputy Chief Electoral Officer. He also gave three readings and approval to a trustee election bylaw for five trustees and rescinded the former bylaw for nine.

## **Policy initiatives**

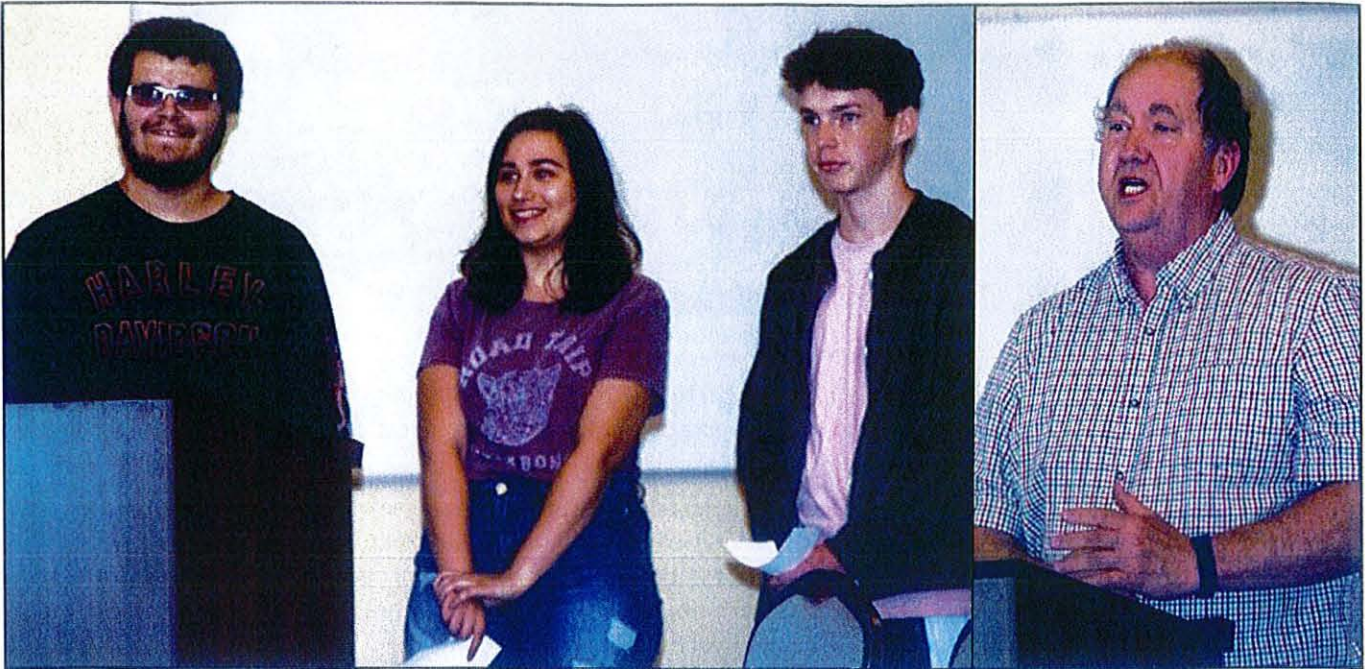
McKay gave second reading to policies on the Accumulated Operating Reserve (Surplus), Board Delegation of Authority, Budget Monitoring and Reporting, Monitoring Board Performance, Roles and Responsibilities of the Board, Trustee Attendance, Trustee Code of Conduct, Trustee Conflict of Interest, Trustee Professional Development, and Trustee Remuneration and Expenses.

"These policies set the framework within which the district operates and were discussed by the Watson Report," commented McKay. "I appreciate all the work that has been done to get these into place."

He added that these draft policies will now go out for public consultation.

McKay also gave third and final reading to a policy on Student Admission, Attendance and Withdrawal. This approved policy states that the board recognizes its obligation under the School Act to provide an educational





**Students who took part in the exchange program to Inashiki, Japan over Spring Break made a presentation about their trip and the amazing things they got to see and do. (On right) Teacher Stan Koroluk, one of the sponsors of the trip, which has been taking place for 27 years, said it was a wonderful learning experience for both himself and the students. "I can't really describe it but its something I will never forget and I'm sure the students will never forget. I hope the board keeps it going."**

students who are not within bussing limits get to school. Also, they are in discussions about some possible solutions for the traffic congestion on 30th St. near Shuswap Middle School, King's Christian and South Broadview. "It is always good to be working with our municipal partners."

### **Transportation regulation**

The district's regulation for bus transportation (Regulation 5040.02R) was also adjusted and passed at the meeting on Tuesday, adding clear language around courtesy riders.

"Communication of board policy and regulations regarding transportation has not been consistent. The district needs to decide on consistent guidelines and practice around courtesy riders. The Transportation department needs to be able to make and uphold decisions to ensure that transportation services are fair and equitable for all riders across the district," explained Bittante.

The new regulation has been amended to reflect the recommendations from the Transportation Review regarding clearly defined criteria for eligible and non-eligible (courtesy) riders.

Courtesy ridership may be granted to a student by the Transportation Department if there is an existing bus route, space is available and no additional stops are required.

The district's complete policy manual is available on the district website at: <https://bit.ly/2IGAjdG>

### **Transportation review**

After months of work, the school district's transportation review is completed and adjustments made and there is good news for eligible riders and not as good news for some courtesy riders, particularly in the Salmon Arm area.

In the fall of 2017, the Transportation Department initiated a review of transportation routes in the Salmon Arm area, with a focus on courtesy routes, courtesy stops and courtesy extensions, explained Bittante.

"The issues that the district is currently faced with is there is increasing enrolment in the district which has resulted in more eligible riders on buses, thereby limiting the district's capacity to provide services to courtesy riders. There are some days when buses are full to capacity and some students are unable to board the bus. The





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Mike McKay

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# North Okanagan-Shuswap Synopsis

Highlights of the May 22, 2018 School District No. 83 Board Meeting

## Proposed annual budget

In order for a balanced budget to be presented at the June 19th board meeting, Official Trustee Mike McKay received and approved a set of budget adjustments at Tuesday evening's board of education meeting.

For September 2018 the district is predicting an increase of 164 full time equivalency (FTE) in enrolment. Secretary-Treasurer Nicole Bittante explained that after accounting for all of the costs associated with enrolment increases, opening an outdoor learning program, and cost pressures outside of the district's control, there is approximately \$600,000 in the budget for system improvements.

McKay added a very long list of worthy projects for these funds was presented to the budget committee by staff and partner groups last month for deliberation.

At the meeting staff recommended, and McKay approved, a \$128,914 increase to school supply allocations, \$38,732 increase to add .4 FTE to occupational therapist/physiotherapist time, \$81,232 to the Inclusive Support Program (ISP) for additions to teaching and prep time, \$4,000 to cover transportation costs related to early dismissal of students for the report card initiative, \$242,787 for Instructional Learning Team (ILT) to fully implement the new curriculum, \$38,732 for .4 FTE teacher for Sexual Health/SOGI Lead, and \$96,830 for SPARK Program at Pleasant Valley Secondary.

Also accepted was an increase of \$17,214 to the substitute/replacement budget, an increase of \$19,000 to services and supplies to address increases in annual software licensing costs and to assist schools with school fee hardships, \$8,000 was added to clerical time, \$5,000 was added to the HR budget to provide a relocation allowance, \$5,000 was added to technology to address increases in software licensing, \$50,000 was added to snow removal budget, \$10,000 to operations supplies and materials, \$80,000 for a painter, and \$14,000 for a custodial lead hand.

The complete report will soon be available on the district's website at <https://bit.ly/2LmoTTt>

## Downtown Activity Centre

McKay noted that the district will be accepting proposals for sale of the Downtown Activity Centre until July 6, 2018.

He said he was pleased to see the City of Salmon Arm's involvement in this as they recognize it is a community resource but when the lease was signed five years ago, the school district gave notice that this would be the final lease. He noted the school district extended the lease, which originally ended on June 30th, until the end of December as the district investigated the potential and costs of retrofitting the building to once again be a school but the estimate was for \$8 million plus. "So that closed the book on that," he said.

He added the district is working with the City to see if transit can be arranged to help

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## Barb Puddifant

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### Member Marketing Opportunity

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### Chamber Member Networking & Marketing Program

#### Business after Hours Program

The Business after Hours program was created to offer marketing opportunities for our business members who wish to showcase their premises, staff and/or product.

Business after Hours events are generally hosted during the late afternoon hours between 4 – 6 pm and are intended to take place at the host's place of business. The event is funded by the host organization, who provides beverages, appetizers and in some instances incentives (i.e. door prizes, product gifts), while the Chamber takes on the role of marketing the event via web-based programs and social media campaigns.

The Business after Hours program is intended to encourage local shopping and encouraging networking -all of which help a company's bottom line.

For more information on this program or to host a Business after Hours event



contact the Chamber at (250) 832-6247 or [admin@sachamber.bc.ca](mailto:admin@sachamber.bc.ca) .

***We are looking for a venue for our June Business Mixer - if you are interested in hosting a Business After Hours next month please contact us.***

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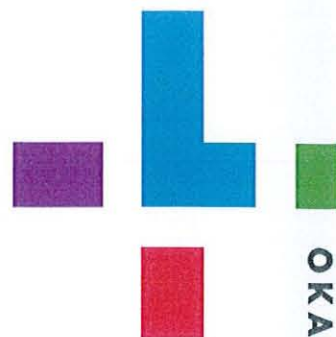
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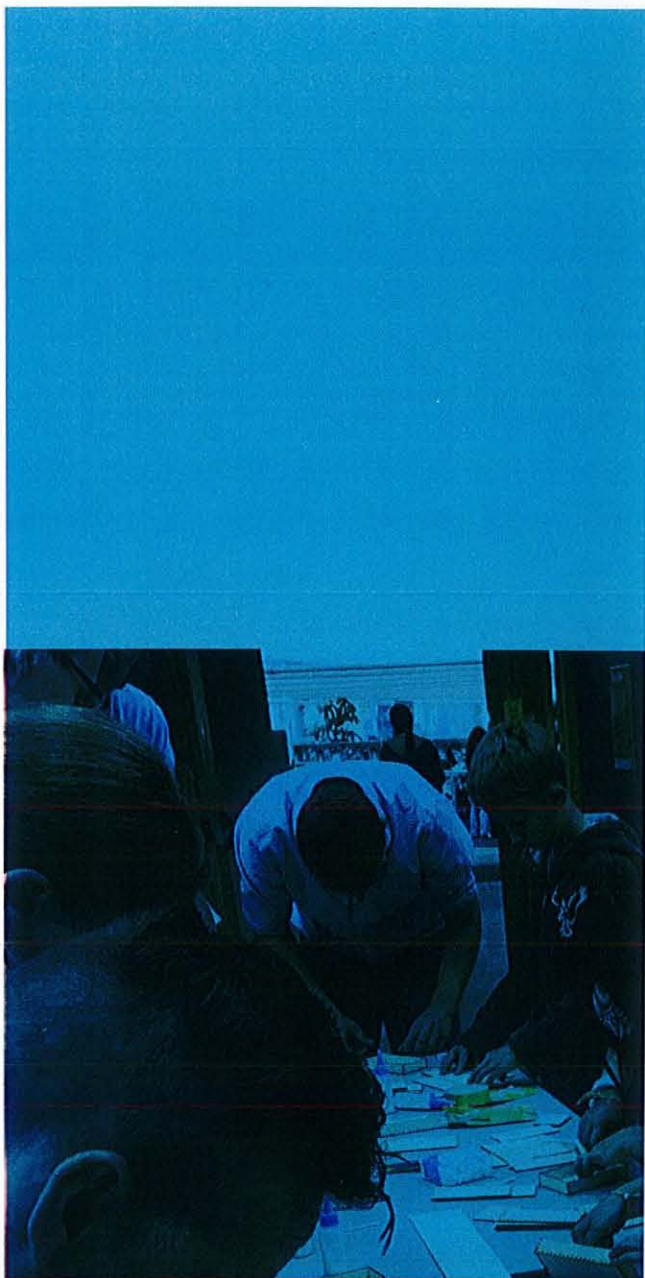
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2017  
**ANNUAL  
REPORT**





# Introduction

The Okanagan Regional Library (ORL) is one of the largest public library systems in Canada. We serve a population of approximately 375,000 people spread over a diverse geographic area the size of Ireland. The ORL provides service through our 29 physical branch locations and an ever-growing provision of online services and partnerships. This includes some of the fastest growing urban areas of Canada, such as the cities in the Central Okanagan; very rural and sparsely settled regions; and several First Nations communities.

Each year, the ORL delivers millions of service transactions by providing physical and online material, connecting people to the web, delivering programs and learning sessions, providing community space, offering public tech equipment and training, and assisting with research and referral to other resources.

The ORL is a regional library governed by a 24-member board, entirely comprised of elected councillors, mayors, or directors of municipalities, regional districts or First Nations. We have a staff of 265 people or approximately 115 FTE. Direct service points include 29 full service branches and 2 active book deposits run by volunteer organizations, as well as our website. The Library also has numerous local partnerships.

The increasing majority of our funding (over 90%) comes from local tax revenue. Provincial Government grants have been frozen for many years causing them to drop to less than 6% of our funding from about 15%. Provincial funding is particularly important in regional systems that face significant additional costs in servicing rural and remote

areas due to distance, geography, and lack of connectedness. It is more challenging, inefficient, and costly to service a widely spread population using many smaller points than the same size population gathered in one urban area. Our Board is constantly reviewing how the ORL distributes resources to assure local taxpayers that they are receiving at least the same amount back in local services to the tax money related to that area. Provincial grants, which provide more per capita to rural areas than urban ones are critical to ensuring rural services do not need to be curtailed and it is hopeful that they can soon be increased annually in recognizing these increasing costs.

The ORL is midway into its strategic plan for 2016-2019.

## VISION

THE ORL PROVIDES FOR LEARNING, INNOVATION, CREATIVITY AND A CONNECTED COMMUNITY.

# Our Strategic Themes Include

## Our library advances learning, creativity, and imagination

Our priority has always been on reading and learning, but technology is changing the way

people learn. The library is evolving to reflect that.

## Our library is an integral part of life in our diverse communities

Our communities are diverse, but we are stronger together. This Direction is about listening to those in our communities and addressing their unique needs. It is about

making ORL a library system that represents the best of working cooperatively combined with the best of providing flexible service responses.

## Our library branches are innovative, inviting and reflect their communities

Is the library a bit bland? Maybe. Does it need to be? No! We have the unique opportunity to

refresh and reinvent in response to changing needs in our communities. Bring it on.

## Our library is focused on customer service, staffed by learners confident in their abilities

ORL staff care about their patrons – we see it every day. We need to make structural changes to enable staff to provide effective services

that continue to make a difference in peoples lives.



## Our library advances learning, creativity, and imagination

The ORL has a written commitment to strive for new learning initiatives and spark imagination by piloting new tools, connecting with local community groups, inviting talented local people to share what they know, and—especially important in our rich cultural area—celebrating local Aboriginal Culture.

### Example of 2017 creative programs and services

**Pop-Up Makerspace:** In June of 2017, Kelowna Branch of ORL, in partnership with the Okanagan Makers Society, hosted a Pop-Up Makerspace. This Pop-Up Makerspace took over our main floor meeting room for the month, filling it with learning stations in the areas of engineering, coding and robotics, electronics and circuits, and 2- and 3-D making with tools like a green screen, 3D printers and a laser cutter. The makerspace was a drop-in space, with a combination of library staff and volunteers helping guide people through the process of discovery and self-paced learning.

Our main partner for this event was the **Okanagan Makers Society** - this group brought in their own equipment including 3D printers and the laser cutter, and volunteers from this society helped us during all of our open hours. We also worked with the **Okanagan Men's Shed** who helped run woodworking activities, and with **Okanagan College Women in Trades**, who provided some supplies and activities. The City of Kelowna was also an important partner, as this event was in their building, and it was with their help and support that we determined how to safely bring new technologies, including those requiring special venting, into this space on a temporary basis.

Over 600 people of all ages visited the Pop-Up Makerspace. People stayed in the room on average for 45 to 90 minutes at a time, and many people were repeat visitors, including some families and individuals who came every day the makerspace was open. Outcomes included people engaging and interacting with new technologies that they had never seen before. One senior man came in just to ask about our open hours because he believed his grandson would really like to see the space, but ended up staying and learning all about 3D printers from one of our volunteers. He left with an enthusiasm about how he might want to use these tools in future. Families came and worked together solving problems like building circuits with playdough or trying to make things fly in the wind tunnel. One young man built a very aerodynamic "bot" which flew up and nearly hit the ceiling - his response was to start adding Lego to it a piece at a time to see how much load it could lift. The nature of the stations in the makerspace encouraged this kind of self-directed iterative learning, and it was such a pleasure to watch people respond. Another direct outcome of this event was the launch of the first Engineering and Coding Club in the ORL, at the Kelowna Library. This program was a request of the parents and kids who were visiting the makerspace and wanted to see this kind of programming on an ongoing basis.

## Our library is an integral part of life in our diverse communities

This theme is about making the ORL a system that represents the best of working cooperatively with our communities, listening to them, and addressing their unique needs.

### 2017 Programs and services related to this included:

**Your Symphony at the Library.** This partnership program between ORL and the Okanagan Symphony Orchestra, funded by the TELUS Thompson Okanagan Community Board, brings a quartet from one section of the symphony into the library on four Saturdays: Woodwinds, Strings, Brass and—everyone's favourite—Percussion. Symphony musicians teach about their section of the orchestra, play key pieces of music, and provide an engaging and entertaining program for people of all ages.

**In 2017, we established an informal partnership with UBC Okanagan for our newly renovated Kelowna Library to be a designated location for off campus events.**

UBC strives to connect the work of the university with the life of the city, and we have hosted speakers' series, book launches, and a live webcast of a UBC Vancouver event for Rule out Racism 2017, hosted by the UBC Equity and Inclusion Office. This event in particular spurred a vibrant community discussion among the attendees, which ran well past our normal library closing time.

**The ORL Systems Youth Services Librarian represents the ORL on both the Community Liaison for the Learning Disabilities Association of BC Board as well as the Community Living of BC Council.**

The staff member has created the first consolidated resource provider list for the Okanagan, as well as booklists for children and teens.

**The South Shuswap Branch of the ORL and the North and South Shuswap Community Resources (NSSCR) have a formal partnership.**

We share a mutual goal of providing quality programs and services that enrich the lives of children and families living in the Shuswap area. By working together, ORL and NSSCR build on existing partnered programs such as Mother Goose or Baby Talk, and help ensure families have a "one stop shop" to go for current and accurate information regarding any services for children in the area. The outcome of this partnership is well-attended children's programs, increased presence in the community, and a well-used information board that constantly has to be restocked.



The ORL develops partnerships and relies on the relationships to achieve the quality and relevancy of program offerings in our system. Some of the partners mentioned in the above initiatives include:

**Okanagan Symphony Orchestra**

**TELUS Thompson Okanagan Community Board**

**UBC Okanagan, UBC Innovation Library, and UBC Equity and Inclusion Office**

**Community Living of BC Council**

**Learning Disabilities Association of BC (LDABC)**

**North and South Shuswap Community Resources**

### Outcomes related to this theme in 2017 included:

Your Symphony at the library was such a success in our Kelowna location (over 300 in attendance) that it expanded to Vernon. These programs provided an opportunity for people who might not otherwise engage with the rich cultural activities in the city to learn about and enjoy what the Symphony Orchestra does using a hands on component that was inclusive and inspiring.

Rich and complex community discussion stemmed from our Rule out Racism event. The webcast speakers demonstrated a need in our communities for a safe space to have complex conversations, which is something we are pursuing in new programs currently being planned. Of good example are two women who had traveled almost 80 km from Naramata to attend this event. They told us of their book club's commitment to read the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report and encouraged us to organize a Reading for Reconciliation program. The outcome will be realized in 2018 with a Reading for Reconciliation partnership program with both the UBC Library and the UBC Aboriginal Programs and Services Department.

An important outcome of our work with the diverse abilities community is that the LDABC has posted our provider list on their website while local school boards, physicians, and service providers keep calling us for more copies.

Our experiences in growing partnerships and creating lasting relationships resulted in one of our staff members being asked to present at the Montana State Library workshop. Montana State Library supports their municipal libraries with centralized training and professional development. Our staff member was invited to expand a conference presentation she delivered at PNLA in 2016 into a 3 hour training session to educate and inspire Montana library staff and leaders with the successes in community building from the ORL.

**Some cultural sharing and relationship building with local First Nations groups have occurred in our branches:** South Shuswap Branch has worked in partnership with Quaaout Lodge and the Little Shuswap Band to present workshops that highlight rich cultural tradition of the local Secwepemc People on topics from canoe building to living off the land.

Vernon Branch hosts a weekly Elders Game Night where First Nations Elders are invited to get together and play games. Vernon staff were invited to an important First Peoples Celebration and had the honour of spending the day in a teepee chatting with elders who would drop in, lending out library materials and discussing important issues on indigenous rights and reconciliation.

Several ORL locations ran the NFB Film Club series Aabiziingwashi (#WideAwake): NFB Indigenous Cinema on Tour.

**The Little Shuswap Band** owns and operates Quaaout Lodge. They freely provided the services of their First Nations Liaison who runs cultural and educational programs at the Lodge. This individual was able to connect us to Elders we normally may not have had the opportunity to meet, and enabled cultural sharing to occur in our Library.

It is critical for libraries to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's report and its calls to action. Although Elders Game Night or a canoe-building program may seem simple in nature, the trust between these Elders and the library is growing. Only through trust and honesty, can relationships heal and build. These Elders now trust both the Vernon and Shuswap Library staff and as such, meaningful educational workshops and panel discussions are in the works for 2018.





## Our library branches are innovative, inviting and reflect their communities

ORL's commitment to enhancing equitable public access to connectivity and technology is supported by several initiatives undertaken by our Information Technology department and by renovations to our facilities and equipment this year. In 2017 ORL:

### Doubled bandwidth speeds to 21 of our 29 locations

**Added 10 new public computers that provide internet access and Microsoft Office. This brought our total number of public computers in the system up to 205.**

**Added 12 new teaching laptops to the system, which are used in digital literacy classes to support those individuals who do not own their own computers.**

Enhancing equitable access includes not only making technological resources available, but also helping to bridge the digital divide through education. ORL locations Kelowna, Mission, Rutland and West Kelowna offered digital literacy classes to help learners use computers and mobile devices. In addition to the branches that offer formal classes, our Summerland branch offers an iPad club in which community members gather to support each other in learning how to use these new devices, and most of our ORL libraries offer some level of one-on-one customer service with digital devices and computers as needed.

Vernon, Salmon Arm, and Kelowna offer regular STEAM programming for children. They encourage kids to release their inner genius with self-guided play-based learning using Lego, KEVA Planks, Meccano, Magformers and other technology tools. These popular programs help children think through problem solving tasks, and engage them with mathematical, scientific and creative thinking.

The ORL initiated changes to some of its buildings and furnishings to better meet

the varied needs of programming and the community. In 2017:

We relocated our Armstrong Library and added two study rooms with sliding doors that could open out to the larger area. These rooms are also able to be used by community members outside of open hours and are constantly being used by students studying, special program offerings, and people just needing space to gather.

Major renovations to Kelowna Branch have also offered several small group study rooms and 2 larger classroom spaces that are adjustable to fit the size of the function. These are in high demand and used for offering everything from college courses to community games nights and special speaker series. These are also connected through an internal link to the newly opened Okanagan Centre for Innovation which provides high tech start-ups, non-profits, social enterprises, and other technology related firms space to build "Canada's most innovative, creative, and entrepreneurial technology community".

We were also able to purchase mobile shelving units for Westbank, Kelowna and Mission branches which allow for repurposing space to fit the activities being offered.

The increasing demand for these spaces and the comments from users suggests that this repurposing of space is appropriate to be expanded to many other communities.

## Partnerships that support fostering connected communities

There are formal and informal partnerships throughout the ORL geographic area that help the ORL achieve the vision of digital training. Most of these organizations provide students and or volunteers that help deliver training on computers or mobile devices. Some of those include:

UBC

Literacy Alliance of the South Shuswap

Junction Literacy of Vernon

Columbia Basin Alliance for Literacy

Westside Health Network Society



## Examples of outcomes from the above partnerships

In 2017 there were over 162,000 individual sessions on our public computers throughout the system, totaling over 86,000 hours of internet access. The number of wireless logins in our branches grew by 10% to almost 1.2 million, comprising over half a million hours of wireless usage. Wireless data usage in these sessions grew by 21% to over 48 terabytes of wireless data traffic. In terms of the impact of this usage on people's lives, we know from staff experience that people use this internet access for everything from keeping in touch with family and friends through Facebook, to searching for work and posting resumes online, to watching their favourite bands on YouTube. Whatever people choose to do, we believe, they have a right to do. Just as those fortunate

enough to have computers and internet access in their homes can. But some specific comments from customers this year that highlight the value of this service included:

*Helping a migrant farm worker from Mexico with limited English skills to get computer access, and then learning that this was the first time since he left home that he had been able to connect with his family through Facebook.*

*Having a customer come in to personally thank a staff member who helped her post her resume to a job site because she got the job after having been unemployed for some time.*

*A patron from an outlying community, who was unable to get internet access in her*



home, spent a good portion of one day in the Sicamous Branch. She left with a thumbs up to the staff, saying "Today the library saved my life!"

A customer came to the Golden Branch late in the day feeling very stressed. She needed internet access to print a greyhound ticket for a bus departing that night. Staff assisted and she was able to calmly leave with a smile on her face.

The impact that our digital training sessions has had on our public is clear from the evaluative surveys conducted. We know that over 95% of participants feel more knowledgeable and confident about using their digital tools and they intend to apply what they have learned. The most common comments received in the open-ended questions were, "have more lessons!", "continue these programs", and "keep offering these!" This clearly indicates the ORL should increase offerings in digital learning.



## Our library is focused on customer service, staffed by learners confident in their abilities

ORL commits to foster a culture of innovation in service to library users by encouraging our team to look through the lens of the people

using the library to provide more enjoyable, effective and efficient services.

### 2017 Programs and services

To help us look through the lens of the people using the library, we have started using two assessment tools to help guide our programming and partnership decisions:

**A Partnership Evaluation Checklist** was a result of having had such success with partnership development in some of our branches that our library staff needed a tool to help them understand when to say yes and when to say no to new opportunities. This tool assesses potential partnerships in terms of how well they meet a documented community need, how well they align with the ORL's strategic directions, and includes a brief cost / benefit analysis to help branch leaders with limited resources make good strategic decisions.

The ORL recognized the need to have material to support staff, and recognized the need to support training on a system level. ORL purchased STEAM tools to enable staff to create programs that inspire children in math, science, engineering, technology and art. Most of our library branches have provided at least one STEAM program using art supplies, Lego, KEVA Planks, Little Bits (electronic building blocks for creating inventions), Snap Circuits (easy to use electronics to create projects such as alarms, doorbells, and much more), and Ozobots. A major outcome will be realized in 2018 with system wide training of staff in STEAM and STEAM tools.

**Project Outcome** is a tool developed by the American Library Association with funding from the Bill and Melinda Gates foundation to assess the effectiveness of library programs in four key areas: does your program improve

knowledge, confidence, awareness of library and community resources, and does it affect behavior change. ORL has begun training staff throughout the system to use Project Outcome and has begun collecting data. We hope to develop this further in the future years.

We continued training and developing employees and hiring staff with specific technical abilities and skills.





## NEW BRAND WAS INTRODUCED IN LATE 2017

The creation of the new ORL logo and brand was done in-house, with a staff committee providing input over a six month period. Conversations with staff around the ORL system also helped shape the understanding of what the library is and can do for people. The brand concept is very much inspired by the work all staff at the ORL are doing in all of our branches.

There were three key elements that were integrated into the new ORL Brand.

**L** Like an h for a hospital and a P for parking, we wanted L to stand for Library. We envisioned it as a beacon of knowledge, learning and growth.

**+** Another element is a plus symbol, a plus connects you with the collection, people, communities, knowledge, safety, our many programs and so much more.

**Growth** An idea that every interaction you have with a book, a magazine, a computer, social media, our website, librarian, page or community member is growth and that is what the library is all about.

So far the reactions from patrons and staff have been overwhelmingly positive. We are excited to implement this new brand across the system in 2018.



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## 2017 KEY STATISTICS

105,243

Patrons attended ORL programs and used Library meeting spaces  
79% increase since 2012

416,672

ORL eBooks & eAudio Checkouts

18%  
INCREASE SINCE 2016

1,060

Hours spent learning new languages through Rosetta Stone

62%  
INCREASE SINCE 2016

1,602,829

Patrons walked through our doors

1,199,074

Number of times patrons logged on to use wifi

10%  
INCREASE SINCE 2016

595,395

PressReader Articles Read

44%  
INCREASE SINCE 2016

105,979

Active cardholders in 2017

10

Public use computers added, totaling 205 ORL system wide

2,254,985

patrons visited our website

Doubled

Internet speed increase in 21 ORL branches

2,857,273

Books, magazines and other materials borrowed

2,189

Hours spent learning new skills through Lynda.com  
21% increase since 2017

5,323

ORL programs ran in 2017

866,170

Physical Holds Placed in 2017



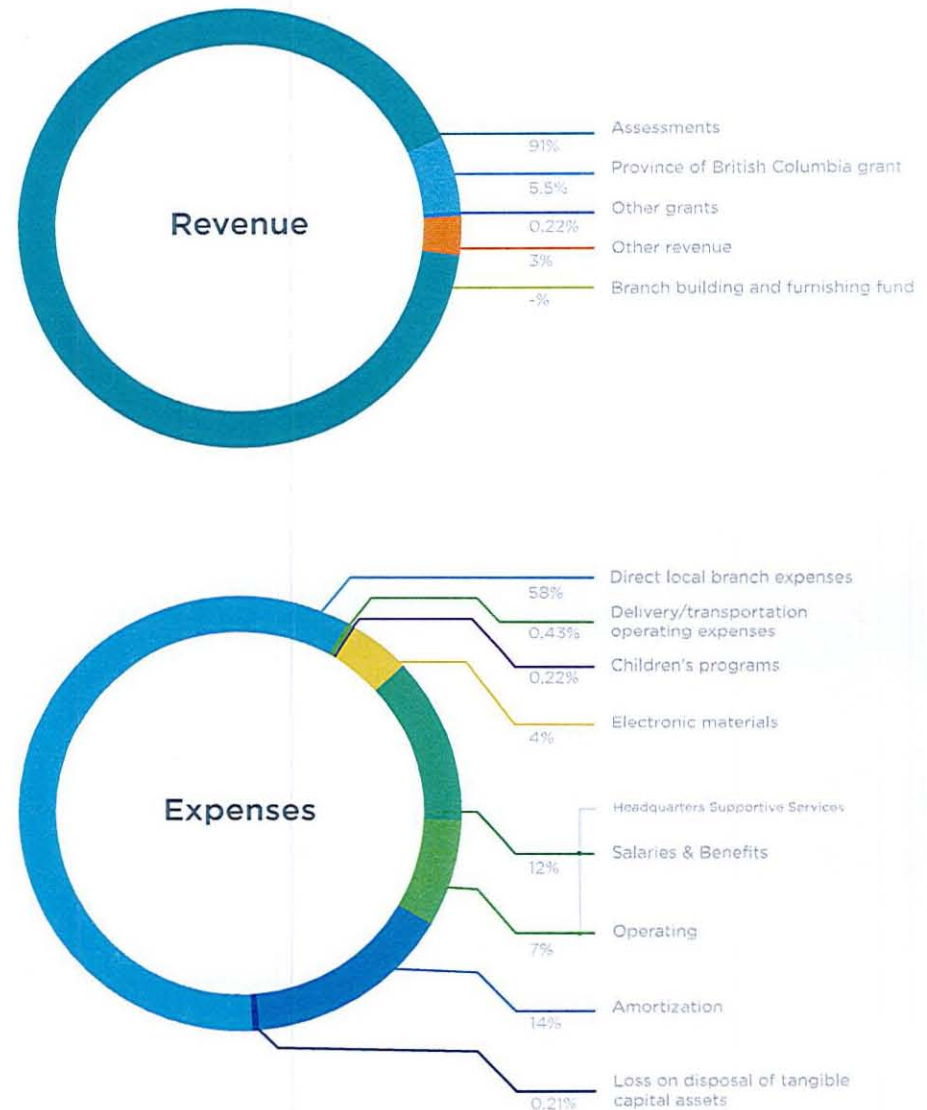


## Statement of Operations

Okanagan Regional Library District Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus			
For the year ended December 31	2017	2017	2016
	Actual	Budget	Actual
<b>Revenue</b>			
Assessments	\$ 16,580,526	\$ 16,558,312	\$ 16,203,810
Province of British Columbia grant	1,008,026	1,008,808	1,009,058
Other grants	40,479	83,500	44,137
Other revenue	565,507	428,327	541,610
Branch building and furnishing fund	-	-	485,850
	<b>18,194,538</b>	<b>18,078,947</b>	<b>18,284,465</b>
<b>Expenses (Note 6)</b>			
Direct local branch expenses	10,961,118	10,104,213	10,608,363
Delivery/transportation			
Operating expenses	81,537	94,700	77,393
Children's programs	41,925	18,954	38,576
Electronic materials	779,691	790,000	790,033
Headquarters supportive services			
Salaries and benefits	2,270,771	2,513,732	2,263,311
Operating	1,342,317	1,788,865	1,420,374
Amortization	2,684,976	-	2,755,937
Loss on disposal of tangible capital assets	40,789	-	25,703
	<b>18,203,124</b>	<b>15,310,464</b>	<b>17,979,690</b>
<b>Annual surplus (deficit)</b>	<b>(8,586)</b>	<b>2,768,483</b>	<b>304,775</b>
<b>Accumulated surplus, beginning of year</b>	<b>18,963,993</b>	<b>18,963,993</b>	<b>18,659,218</b>
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 18,955,407</b>	<b>\$ 21,732,476</b>	<b>\$ 18,963,993</b>

The accompanying summary of significant accounting policies and notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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## SUMMARY

In a system as diverse as the Okanagan Regional Library, services and initiatives need to be constantly expanded, evaluated, and adapted to meet the needs of each location. The above report is a broad overview of some of the more significant changes and initiatives that took place in 2017. New technology was introduced, new partnerships were explored, new programs were delivered to engage discussion or encourage exploration, and improvements made in several branches creating flexible and adaptive spaces. We look forward to 2018/2019 as we build on our past successes and move forward in meeting the needs of our communities.



## Thank you!

The ORL is fortunate to have worked with many supporters during 2017 who have contributed volunteer time, expertise and energy, and financial resources. Their gifts elevate the library's ability to deliver outstanding programs, resources and spaces for all.

The ORL would especially like to thank all supporters who contributed to the furthering of knowledge and learning by donating to the ORL:

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## Serving 29 communities:

Armstrong	Hedley	Lumby	Oliver	Revelstoke	South Shuswap
Cherryville	Kaleden	Mission	Osoyoos	Rutland	Summerland
Enderby	Kelowna	Naramata	Oyama	Salmon Arm	Vernon
Falkland	Keremeos	North Shuswap	Peachland	Sicamous	Westbank
Golden	Lake Country	Okanagan Falls	Princeton	Silver Creek	



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May 4, 2018

Mayor and Council  
City of Salmon Arm  
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Dear Mayor Cooper and Councillors:

We were very pleased to be part of the 2018 SILGA AGM & Conference (Southern Interior Local Government Association) last week in Revelstoke. Those in attendance had the opportunity to hear more about the Sustainable Tourism Destination Certification that the Thompson Okanagan Region received from Biosphere and our subsequent World Travel Tourism Council "Tourism for Tomorrow Award" as a Sustainable Destination.

In the coming weeks we will be meeting with communities and stakeholders around the region to engage them in the process of aligning with this regional commitment through a Business Adhesion Program.

As mentioned during the SILGA Conference, we are asking all communities and regional districts in the Thompson Okanagan to join us in our "Drive for Sustainability" and show support by adding the attached badge to your websites.

The badge can be downloaded at:

<https://totabc.org/programs/sustainability-certification/be-involved/biospheresupport/>

Sincerely,

**THOMPSON OKANAGAN TOURISM ASSOCIATION**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Glenn Mandziuk', is written over a horizontal line.

Glenn Mandziuk, BA, MEDES, MCIP  
President & CEO



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# COMMUNITY SUPPORT INITIATIVE



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## WHAT IS BIOSPHERE?

Biosphere is a Sustainable Tourism System certified by the Responsible Tourism Institute, an international accreditation body that maintains a MoU with UNESCO, is affiliated with the World Tourism Organization, and is a member of the Global Sustainable Tourism Council.

The system is aligned with the United Nations 17 Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris COP21 Accord to Fight Climate Change. It is also aligned with requisites and recommendations for certification of the World Charter on Sustainable Tourism + 20.

## BE PART OF THE BIOSPHERE COMMUNITY

The Thompson Okanagan Region is certified as a Sustainable Tourism Destination through Biosphere. Tourism businesses also have the opportunity to become part of the Biosphere Commitment through our Business Adhesion Program which we are asking regional tourism stakeholders to get involved

Our goal is to establish collaborative synergies within our tourism industry by inviting stakeholders to adopt the Biosphere commitment to Sustainability

Join the Biosphere community by signing up in person or online. Once you have registered a TOTA representative will reach out to your organization to get you started

## JOIN THE BIOSPHERE COMMUNITY



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Contact us for more information about the Biosphere Business Adhesion or the Community Support Initiative at [industry@totabc.com](mailto:industry@totabc.com)



# Responsible Tourism System

An integral system of sustainability, competitiveness, quality, differentiation, authenticity and satisfaction, where are involved:

- DESTINATIONS
- INDUSTRY
- EXPERIENCES
- TRAVELERS





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**Subject:** 2018 UBCM Convention

Dear Mayor & Council:

BC Hydro is pleased to be participating in the upcoming 2018 UBCM Convention in Whistler during the week of September 10-14, 2018.

If you would like to arrange a meeting on a local issue with one of our senior managers while you are at the convention, please fill out the attached form and return it with your email request to Lisa Waddell ([lisa.waddell@bchydro.com](mailto:lisa.waddell@bchydro.com)) by **Friday, July 13<sup>th</sup>**.

Meetings will be scheduled for September 11, 12 or 13. We will provide full details when we confirm your meeting date and time.

Accompanying me at the convention will be Jen Walker-Larsen (Upper Columbia) and Megan Chadwick (Lower Columbia), who are also from Thompson/Okanagan/Columbia Community Relations.

- Dag Sharman at 250 308-7633
- Jen Walker Larsen at 250 814-8270
- Megan Chadwick at 250 608-1885

We look forward to seeing you at the convention.

Sincerely,

Dag Sharman  
Community Relations Manager  
Thompson/Okanagan/Columbia  
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UBCM 2018 Meeting Request with BC Hydro

Municipality:
Attendees:
Topic: (Please pose as a question):
Background:
Key Contact:



**From:** Maria Glidden [<mailto:maria.glidden@prostatecancer.ca>]

**Sent:** May-24-18 12:02 PM

**To:** Nancy Cooper

**Subject:** Plaid for Dad 2018

**PLAID FOR DAD POLITICAL AMBASSADOR REQUEST**

Dear Mayor Nancy Cooper,

I am reaching out to introduce you to an exciting campaign, *Plaid for Dad, in support of Prostate Cancer Canada*. This is a fun employee engagement program taking place in workplaces across the country the Friday before Father's Day. I would love to have you join us in making Canada Plaid for Dad on June 15<sup>th</sup>!

Political ambassadors play a key role in spreading the word about Plaid for Dad and challenging communities across Canada to participate and donate to support the 1 in 7 Canadian men who will be diagnosed with prostate cancer.

Plaid for Dad launched in 2015 with 200 workplaces raising over \$250,000. Over the last three years the hashtag **#PlaidForDad** has trended on Twitter and in 2017 Plaid for Dad earned over 180,000,000 media impressions. Hundreds of thousands of Canadians participated and Prostate Cancer Canada tripled the size of the program.

**We're asking you to:**

- Post a picture or video of yourself wearing plaid on social media with one of the following captions/messages:
  - o 1 in 7 Canadian men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer. Wear #PlaidforDad with me on Friday, June 15 to raise funds and awareness for dads everywhere. [plaidfordad.ca](http://plaidfordad.ca)
  - o I'm honouring dads across the country. Join me and go plaid Friday, June 15 to end prostate cancer. Show Canada your photos using #PlaidforDad. [plaidfordad.ca](http://plaidfordad.ca)
  - o My wardrobe is improving lives of dads with prostate cancer. Join me and wear #PlaidforDad Friday, June 15. [plaidfordad.ca](http://plaidfordad.ca)

About Prostate Cancer Canada

*Prostate Cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer in Canadian men. Approximately 21,300 new cases will be diagnosed in 2018, and over 4,100 men will be lost to the disease each year. Early detection saves lives – the survival rate is close to 100% when detected early.*

*Prostate Cancer Canada is the leading national foundation dedicated to the elimination of the most common cancer in men through research, advocacy, education, support and awareness. As the largest charitable investor in prostate cancer research in Canada, Prostate Cancer Canada is committed to continuous discovery in the areas of prevention, diagnosis, treatment, and support. Prostate Cancer Canada is proud to have been named one of Canada's top 3 health charities for efficiency and financial transparency in the Financial Post's 2017 Charities of the Year list.*

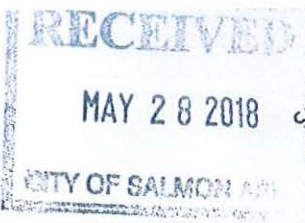
If you have any questions please don't hesitate to be in touch. Thank you in advance for your support of Prostate Cancer Canada and Plaid for Dad.

Best regards,

Falyn Katz  
National Director, Corporate and Community Development  
Prostate Cancer Canada  
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May 15, 2018

Dear Mayor and Members of Council:

### **The 2018 Community Recognition Awards Call for Nominations is now open!**

I invite your community to identify a recently completed civic building or structure with wood use (either architecturally or structurally), and submit your nomination for the 2018 Community Recognition Awards, to be presented at the UBCM in Whistler. The awards are presented annually to local governments that advocate for using wood in a local project, or through visionary initiatives that work toward building a community culture of wood. Wood use in public buildings brings pride to BC towns and cities, leaves a lasting legacy and celebrates BC's wood culture.

If you are thinking of a new project, there has never been a better time to take advantage of the many benefits wood has to offer.

### **Why wood? Wood is good!**

Choosing wood for civic buildings is good for cultural, environmental, budgetary and health reasons. It's also a good choice for our economy, since forestry is a significant economic engine in BC, and directly or indirectly benefits us all. We are proud to say that BC is recognized as a global leader for wood innovation in building and design, with taller and larger wood buildings being built in centres all around the province, using technologically advanced wood products and building systems - made in BC.

It is also the best choice for the environment, as nothing can make a green building "greener" than optimizing the use of wood, which has a smaller carbon footprint than other building materials. Wood also benefits occupants in the indoor environment. Research has shown people thrive when working and learning in beautiful and high-quality spaces finished with natural materials like wood.

### **What's new in the world of wood? Consider the advantages and possibilities.**

Wood WORKS! BC and the Canadian Wood Council are here to offer our technical expertise, training and education to help your local government realize a lower carbon footprint, competitive building costs, and comfortable, high-performance and effective spaces for your community. Please call me if you are ready to move forward with a new civic project. I can provide information on the professional technical services Wood WORKS! BC offers to your project teams, FREE of charge.

The Wood WORKS! BC Community Recognition Awards program is your opportunity to showcase your community and a wood project that has brought pride to your citizens.

**Submit your nomination today! [www.wood-works.ca/bc](http://www.wood-works.ca/bc)**

Regards,

Lynn Embury-Williams  
Executive Director  
Wood WORKS! BC  
1 877 929 9663 – ext. 1  
[Lembury-williams@wood-works.ca](mailto:Lembury-williams@wood-works.ca)

PS Please note that nominations are only open to local governments and their projects. Projects must have been completed within the last three years and built in whole or part with local government funds. Self-nominations are accepted and encouraged.

**Deadline for nominations: Friday, August 24, 2018**





## About Wood *WORKS!* BC



WOOD SOLUTIONS  
CONFERENCES



WOOD DESIGN  
LUNCHEON CONFERENCES



IN-HOUSE SEMINARS



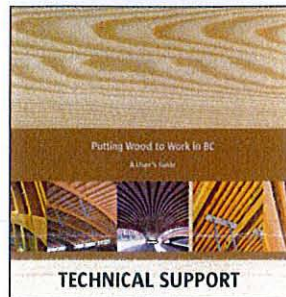
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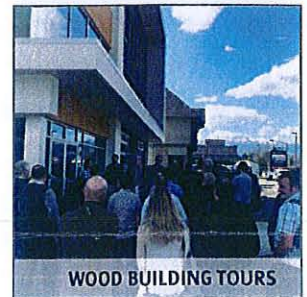
WORKSHOPS



WOOD DESIGN AWARDS



TECHNICAL SUPPORT



WOOD BUILDING TOURS

Wood *WORKS!* is a national industry-led program of the Canadian Wood Council, with a goal to support innovation and provide leadership on the use of wood products and building systems. Through conferences, workshops, seminars and case studies, Wood *WORKS!* provides education, training and technical expertise to building and design professionals and local governments involved with commercial, institutional and industrial construction projects throughout BC. For 20 years, Wood *WORKS!* BC has facilitated practical, efficient, versatile and cost-effective building and design solutions through the use of wood – the most sustainable, natural and renewable building material on Earth.

Wood *WORKS!* BC has also worked extensively with municipalities on projects ranging from fire halls to arenas to recreation centres. Wood *WORKS!* BC is a recognized resource to help BC communities with the "build with wood" requirements on publicly-funded projects under the Wood First Act, and our expertise is available free of charge.

### Wood *WORKS!* BC: Services to Local Governments

#### I. Free Technical Advice

- structural, fire, seismic, acoustic, envelope, architectural, building performance

#### II. Community Outreach

- local government liaison and wood design support
- provincial government consultation and collaboration
- industry association partnerships and consultation

#### III. Sourcing Wood Products and Building Systems

#### IV. Professional Development/Liaison

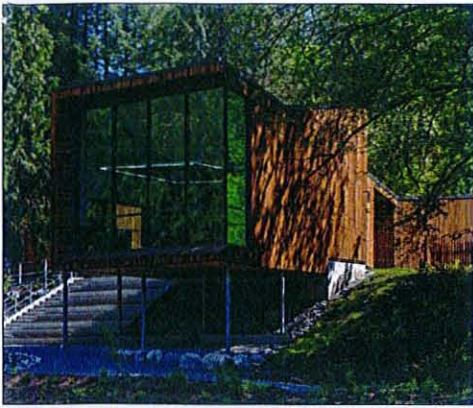
- Architectural Institute of BC, Association of Professional Engineers of BC, BC Housing, Licensing & Consumer Services (formerly Home Protection Office/HPO)

#### V. High Performance Building Support

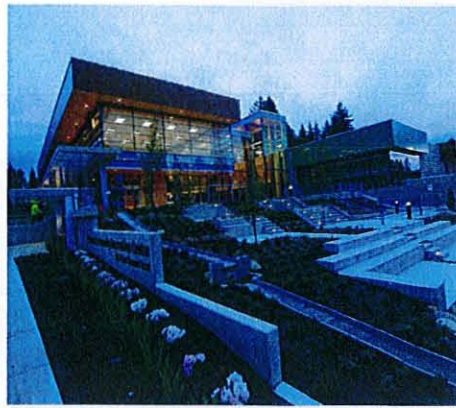
- advancing low embodied and low operational carbon buildings in your community



## 2017 Community Recognition Award Winners



**LMLGA -- Lower Mainland Local Government Association:**  
**Metro Vancouver** for the Kanaka Creek Watershed Stewardship Centre



**LMLGA -- Lower Mainland Local Government Association:**  
**District of North Vancouver** for the Delbrook Community Recreation Centre



**LMLGA -- Lower Mainland Local Government Association:**  
**City of Richmond** for the Alexandra District Energy Building



**LMLGA -- Lower Mainland Local Government Association:**  
**City of Surrey** for the Grandview Heights Aquatic Centre



**AKBLG -- Association of Kootenay Boundary Local Governments:**  
**Village of Salmo** for the 6th Street Pedestrian Covered Bridge



**AVICC -- Association of Vancouver Island and Coastal Communities:**  
**District of Saanich** for the Central Saanich Fire Hall  
Courtesy: Johnston Davidson Architecture + Planning



**NCLGA -- North Central Local Government Association:**  
**City of Quesnel/Cariboo Regional District** for the West Fraser Centre



**SILGA -- Southern Interior Local Government Association:**  
**District of Logan Lake** for the Logan Lake Fire Hall  
Courtesy: Wood Design Awards in BC



**SILGA -- Southern Interior Local Government Association:**  
**Town of Osoyoos** for the Osoyoos Fire Hall  
Courtesy: Wood Design Awards in BC



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May 9, 2018

Premier John Horgan  
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**Re: KM Trans Mountain pipeline impasse with the Province of Alberta**

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Dear Mr. Premier:

The District of Sicamous would like to express our concern for the growing hostility between the Province of Alberta and the Province of BC initiated by the Kinder Morgan pipeline. We understand and respect your position on the pipeline expansion, however, we must remember the project has been approved by the Federal government. The method the current government is using right now, by encouraging and implementing unnecessary delay tactics and by disrupting the legal construction of the pipeline, is not the way British Columbians would like this to be resolved. We do not believe a trade war with any other province, especially Alberta, is the solution.

We believe it is imperative the provinces work together to move forward in a way that is environmentally sound and of course beneficial to all. Fossil fuel is not the future; however, it certainly is the present. Transporting bitumen using pipeline is safer and less harmful to the environment than sending more crude products via highway truck-tankers or train. The safe guards that are in place to run a pipeline today are far more technically advanced than in the 70's, 80's and even the last few years. KM will not be able to proceed with this line without the proper safety criteria, and strict regulations being met.

BC is losing millions of dollars in royalties, taxes, employment, and national economic prosperity. It is incumbent on these two governments to work together and figure this out. As this current impasse continues and escalates, other provinces are being drawn into the hostility which threatens Canadian unity. Now is the time for both governments to diffuse this crisis and not threaten each other. The consequences will send hard working British Columbians into unaffordable situations.

The tourism industry, which represents a large part of the BC economy will be heavily hit if this war continues. It is impacting business in our community, and will have lasting impacts as people from other provinces change their vacation plans, perhaps permanently.

Sicamous is just recovering from floods, boil water advisories and fires. Our municipality has taken enough. This is the first year in many, we were feeling confident that we were OPEN FOR BUSINESS, and now we are feeling pushed back by our own government. Due to our location we heavily rely on the Alberta tourism dollar and we cannot afford to upset our



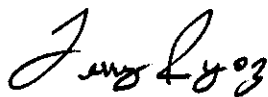
neighbour to the east.

Investors considering investing in our community will soon re-think their choices based on uncertainty. The cost of fuel will discourage business, new residents, and tourism, and the fallout from this governments choice will be disastrous.

British Columbia has always been a very environmentally responsible province, and we will continue to be strong stewards guarding the future of our children, however, this massive battle is not the solution nor the will of most British Columbians. If you don't fix this, Mr. Premier, the consequences of a failed 7.4-billion-dollar mega project will be felt for generations.

Please reconsider the governments stand, and put the success and prosperity of British Columbians in your sights first.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Terry Rysz".

Mayor Terry Rysz  
**DISTRICT OF SICAMOUS**

c.c. Mayor Terry Rysz and Council  
MP Mel Arnold  
MLA Greg Kylo  
SILGA 2018 Conference Delegates