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February 22, 2022

Re: Requesting the City of Salmon Arm's endorsement of a Universal School Food Program

Dear Mayor and Council,

As Shuswap Food Action wraps up its Coldest Night of the Year event, I thought it would be a good time to bring up some important work being done around increasing food security in schools. We really appreciate that Mayor Harrison, his wife Debbie, and Councillor Louise Wallace Richmond have all come out to help at our hot lunch program at Jackson Secondary. We believe this project has been a success and hope to be able to continue to help schools in this regard. As we also run the school food box program with the District, we also know there are many families struggling to feed their children. This is not an issue that any single organization can solve alone and we are proud to be part of the [Coalition for Healthy School Food \(BCCHSFL\)](#) a growing network of 173 non-profit member organizations from every province and territory, advocating for public investment in and federal standards for a universal cost-shared school food program that would see all children having daily access to healthy food at school.

This letter is to request that the City of Salmon Arm add its voice to the growing number of municipalities across Canada who are in favour of a universal, cost-shared healthy school food program. Healthy school food programs are known to improve students' diets, mental and physical health, school performance, attendance, and social cohesion. Canadian research shows that school food programs improve health and education outcomes in children from all socio-economic backgrounds. Yet, Canada is the only G7 country without a National School Food Program and UNICEF has ranked Canada 37th of 41 wealthy countries when it comes to children's food security and nutrition. Covid-19 has demonstrated that school food programs are an essential service; with food insecurity rates increasing across the country, universal, healthy school food programs are needed more than ever.

After years of grassroots advocacy, the 2019 Federal Budget committed "to work with provinces and territories towards the creation of a National School Food Program." The momentum towards a universal school food program is building and the Coalition for Healthy School Food is seeking endorsements from supporting organizations, agencies, school boards and local governments. There is a wonderful opportunity for the City of Salmon Arm to join with other voices in BC and across the country to take a position on the need for a national school food program that meets strong guiding principles including universality, health promotion, cultural relevance and respect for local conditions. Endorsing the Coalition's vision for a health-

promoting, sustainable school food program that is connected to the community aligns with a number of the City's strategic drivers, with the potential to support local agriculture initiatives and boost the local food economy. This is a big idea for our small city.

To demonstrate the City of Salmon Arm's support for a universal school food program, here are some actions to consider:

1. Would the City of Salmon Arm [endorse](#) the efforts of the Coalition for Healthy School Food to advocate for a universal, cost-shared healthy school food program? This support is based on a shared belief that all children and youth in our communities should have daily access to healthy food at school.
2. That the City of Salmon Arm request the provincial government to invest in a universal, cost-shared, healthy school food program for all K-12 students in the province, as per the BC Chapter's [2022 Budget Submission](#).
3. That Council be aware that school food was recently included in two Federal mandate letters. Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Marie-Claude Bibeau's mandate [letter](#):
 - In support of *A Food Policy for Canada*, continue to strengthen Canada's food system by working with the Minister of Families, Children and Social Development and with provinces, territories, municipalities, Indigenous partners and stakeholders to develop a National School Food Policy and to work toward a national school nutritious meal program; and

Minister of Families, Children and Social Development's Karina Gould mandate [letter](#) included:

- Work with the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and with provinces, territories, municipalities, Indigenous partners and stakeholders to develop a National School Food Policy and work toward a national school nutritious meal program.
4. Finally, please see motions passed by the [City of Vancouver](#) and the [City of Victoria](#). In addition to these municipalities, the Union of BC Municipalities has passed [motions](#) in the last 5 years to advocate for a universal school food program.

Thank you for your support and consideration,

Serena Caner
Executive Director
Shuswap Food Action Society



Feb 17, 2022

To the Attention of Mayor Harrison and the Salmon Arm City of Council regarding the BC Bike Race:

BC Bike Race is a multi-day mountain bike stage race that operates with the cooperation of local organizations in British Columbia to provide mountain bike tourism events. Our event has gained global recognition while maintaining high levels of regional and local praise for providing a safe, fun, and mutually beneficial experience for our enterprise and the trail-using communities we operate in.

The BC Bike Race is excited to host one stage of our multi day mountain bike race in Salmon Arm. We have connected with the local bike clubs and have already gotten support from the STA (Shuswap Trail Alliance) for trail usage in the South Canoe & Rubberhead trail systems for the event. Here are specifics on the event and areas that we are requesting the support and approval from the City of Salmon Arm:

Date: Sunday September 18th, 2022

Proposed location: Klahani Park and/or the South Canoe Trailhead area for the start/finish location

Attendance: Estimating to have around 400 participants in addition, racer support and crew

Times: (Not finalized and subject to change)

- Course Start Time: 10:00am
- Course Finish Time: 4/5:00pm – Course Closes (approx.)
- Setup & Teardown not included in the times above

Start/Finish Zone Area: We always try to make this area a good hub of activity for both the racers and spectators alike and are looking to have the following in this area:

- Start/Finish Line
- Awards Presentation
- Vendors (Sponsors, tourism presence, etc)
- Beer garden
- Live local music

BCBR has become a significant marketing and economic driver in all of the communities that we work with. BCBR has moved the needle in awareness for itinerary travel and local destinations. Reaching, on average 36 international countries in attendance each year, really tells the story of each community and grows awareness. Economic benefits to local businesses are generally felt one week ahead of the stage and lingering effects for years afterward because of visitors who become aware of the locations and choose to visit.

BC Bike Race

The Ultimate Single Track Experience
www.bcbiketrace.com



204-188 Pemberton Ave
North Vancouver, BC
V7P 2R5

Our event offers a variety of opportunities for community development. We are heavily engaged with the local communities and by creating media opportunities, BCBR puts significant resources towards marketing which attracts a large volume of visitors to our host communities. BCBR has many elements that can work in concert with the local communities to elevate your profile locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. BCBR provides structure to activate youth volunteerism, family involvement, and often bridge building opportunities between community groups. We actively partner with communities and the community groups along the route. We endeavor to work with all groups to plan growth in mutually beneficial areas.

BCBR has spent 15 years working with communities, growing together and sharing our mutual stories and we look forward to working with Salmon Arm

The BC Bike Race Team

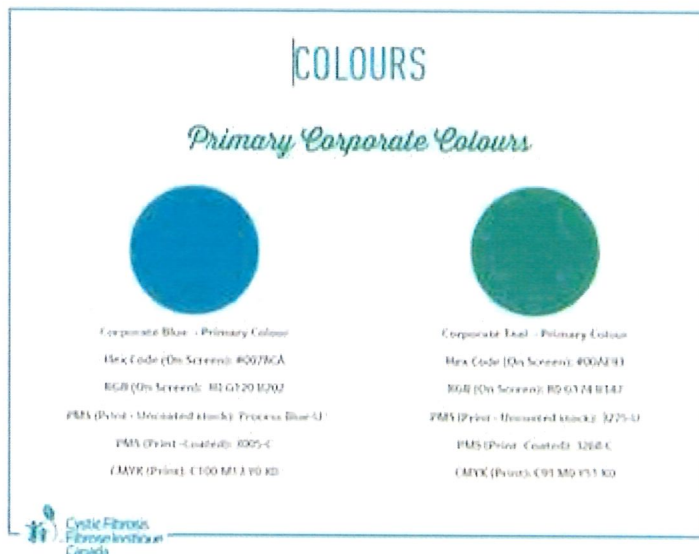
Barb Puddifant

From: Sandra Niven <sniven@cysticfibrosis.ca>
Sent: Thursday, February 17, 2022 3:27 PM
Subject: [External] May is CF Awareness Month 2022

Hello,

I would like to make a request for a declaration and for your building(s) to be lit up in light blue and/or green at any time that may be available during the month of May for **Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month**.

Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month will be promoted throughout Canada, through our social media channels both nationally and in B.C., and our newsletter which is sent to our 8,000 subscribers. Our volunteers will be visiting during the selected dates and taking photos to share on our various social media channels, using the hashtag **#LightUp4CF**. We will make specific mention, including a photo of the lights and a geotag, on our regional social media channels. Below are the corporate colours for your reference.



Cystic Fibrosis Canada <http://www.cysticfibrosis.ca/about-cf>

Cystic Fibrosis (CF) Awareness Month is each May of every year and is an internationally recognized month to raise awareness and funds to help find a cure or control for CF, the most common fatal genetic disease affecting Canadian children and young adults. At present, there is no cure.

On Sunday, May 29th, 2022, thousands of participants across Canada will unite at local community **'Walk to Make CF History'** events during CF awareness month to celebrate their fundraising efforts, while imagining a world without CF.

Social Media

Hashtag: #LightUp4CF

Instagram: [instagram.com/cfcanadawestern/](https://www.instagram.com/cfcanadawestern/)

Twitter BC/Yukon: twitter.com/CFCanadaWestern

Facebook Western Canada: facebook.com/CysticFibrosisWesternCanada

Facebook Lower Mainland: facebook.com/CFCanada.LowerMainland

CF causes various effects on the body, but also affects the digestive system and lungs. The degree of CF severity differs from person to person; however, the persistence and ongoing infection in the lungs, with destruction of lungs and loss of lung function, will eventually lead to death in most people with CF.

Typical complications caused by cystic fibrosis are:

- Difficulty digesting fats and proteins
- Malnutrition and vitamin deficiencies because of inability to absorb nutrients
- Progressive lung damage from chronic infections and aberrant inflammation
- CF related diabetes
- Sinus infections

It is estimated that one in every 3,600 children born in Canada has CF. More than 4,200 Canadian children, adolescents, and adults with cystic fibrosis attend specialized CF clinics.

CAUSES OF CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease that occurs when a child inherits two abnormal genes, one from each parent. One in 25 Canadians carry an abnormal version of the gene responsible for cystic fibrosis. Carriers do not have cystic fibrosis, nor do they exhibit any of the symptoms of the disease.

When two parents who are carriers have a child, there is a 25 percent chance that the child will be born with cystic fibrosis; there is also a 50 percent chance that the child will be a carrier; and a 25 percent chance that the child will neither be a carrier nor have cystic fibrosis.

SYMPTOMS OF CYSTIC FIBROSIS

- Cystic fibrosis is a multi-system disorder that produces a variety of symptoms including:
- Persistent cough with productive thick mucus
- Wheezing and shortness of breath
- Frequent chest infections, which may include pneumonia
- Bowel disturbances, such as intestinal obstruction or frequent, oily stools
- Weight loss or failure to gain weight despite possible increased appetite
- Salty tasting sweat
- Infertility (men) and decreased fertility (women)

DIAGNOSING CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Genetic testing, prenatal and newborn screening for CF are administered in every baby in Canada. Additionally, if a doctor suspects a patient has CF, a 'sweat test' may be administered. This test measures the amount of salt content present in the sweat. If the test comes back positive, it means the sweat collected contains more salt than usual and supports a diagnosis of CF.

Please let me know if there are any dates available during the month of May. We are flexible with this request and I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Sandra

Sandra Niven

Cystic Fibrosis Canada, British Columbia and Yukon Region

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February 11, 2022

Alan Harrison
Mayor City of Salmon Arm
Box 40
Salmon Arm BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Harrison and Council,

There is no question that 2021 was challenging for British Columbians. The province continued to struggle with the pandemic, economic consequences of the pandemic and multiple adverse weather events from the heat dome to floods and fire.

BC farmers and farmer's markets across the province were on the frontlines, doing the work to remain open, supporting our communities with food, and our farmers with a strong source of income.

BC Association of Farmers' Markets worked diligently with the Province of BC's Ministry of Health to deliver, for the 10th year, the BC Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program across the province. We are extremely proud of its deep impact on both people and farmers across British Columbia. This valued program connected with **86** communities making fresh, healthy, local foods more accessible to over **19,000** lower-income British Columbians and directly benefited **1,125** farmers across British Columbia.

In **Salmon Arm**, residents redeemed **\$17,058** with local farmers at the **Downtown Salmon Arm Farmers Markets**. We proudly partnered with **Shuswap Family Centre**.

The Shuswap Family Centre provided lower-income pregnant people, families and seniors with coupons to purchase fruits, vegetables, cheese, eggs, nuts, fish, meat and herbs from farmers at your local farmers' market.

Over 60 lower-income residents from Salmon Arm ate more local foods, learned about healthy eating, and felt connected to their community. At the same time, the local food system was strengthened with farmers in your community benefitting from additional revenue to sustain their farms.

Our Request To You

Our community partners, participants and farmers are grateful for this Program in Burns Lake. If you agree, we kindly ask you to send a letter to the Minister of Health Adrian Dix. Your encouragement and feedback can strengthen support for ongoing funding for the Farmers' Market Nutrition Coupon Program and ensure we continue to build healthier BC communities together.

We are ready to roll up our sleeves and work with your community again in 2022!

With gratitude,

Heather O'Hara
Executive Director

Vickey Brown
President, Board of Directors

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Barb Puddifant

From: Anna Polden <anna.polden@variety.bc.ca>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 5:32 PM
To: Barb Puddifant
Subject: [External] Your municipality has been challenge! Join the Show of Hearts Gold Panel for BC's kids.

Good morning!

I hope this email finds everyone at City of Salmon Arm well.

My name is Anna. I'm reaching out to you on behalf of **Variety – the Children's Charity** to share the news of our iconic fundraising event – the *Variety Show of Hearts* telethon – returning to Global BC next week, and to invite your staff to participate in this year's virtual **Gold Panel!**

Like you, we believe that all kids in BC deserve to have the opportunity to reach their unique potential. For over 55 years, Variety BC has ensured children with special needs across the province receive the support they need.

By joining our Gold Panel, passionate city staff at **City of Salmon Arm** who too been personally touched by a child with special needs can be a part of the Variety family aiming to raise \$50,000 to provide critical support to an additional 20 kids across BC.

We're challenging municipalities across the province to step up and form a Gold Panel team to support children right in your community who turn to Variety for mobility equipment, specialized therapies (such as speech & language therapy, physiotherapy, and occupational therapy), mental wellness counselling, special education tuition and tutoring, and crucial medical supplies like hearing aids.

Last year, we introduced funding for private autism assessments, and new this year we will begin funding psycho-ed assessments, equine therapy, and music therapy. Variety has quickly gone from receiving 10 applications in a week, to receiving over 10 applications a day, and we need your help to keep up with the demand and help even more kids in 2022. Our families have certainly faced adversity in life, and we'd be honoured to help show that their community stands with them.

If you have staff who would like to join us, I welcome you to visit the [Show of Hearts Gold Panel website](#) and [Form a Gold Panel Team](#). The Team Captain of each municipality will automatically be entered to win a \$50 gift card to White Spot! Plus, you can *challenge* another municipality to a little friendly competition, and we'll scroll your name during this year's *Show of Hearts Telethon* on Global BC!

Together with your help, and by sharing your fundraising page with your network of friends, family and colleagues, Variety will be able to say 'YES!' to more families across the province.

We're here to help as much as we can throughout your campaign. If you'd like any assistance setting up your fundraising page or would like to find out more info about our Gold Panel, please feel free to email or call me anytime.

I hope you'll join us in making a difference in the lives of kids and their families across BC!

PS – the 56th Annual *Variety Show of Hearts Telethon* airs Saturday, February 26th from 1:00 pm to 5:30 pm, hosted by Chris Gailus, Sophie Lui, Kristi Gordon, Neetu Garcha, Paul Haysom and Jay Janower from Global BC and with special performances by sixteen-time Grammy Award-winning music producer & composer, David Foster, singer-songwriter &

actress, Katherine McPhee, and seven-time Juno Award-winning blues rocker, Colin James. We hope you enjoy the show!

Sincerely,
Anna

Anna Polden

Donor Relations Officer
Variety - the Children's Charity

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Connect with us on social media! [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#)



Links in this email:

- Show of Hearts Gold Panel website: http://tccbc.convio.net/site/TR?fr_id=1190&pg=entry
- Form a Gold Panel team:
https://secure2.convio.net/tccbc/site/TRR/Events/Telethon2022;jsessionid=00000000.app20093a?pg=tfind&fr_id=1190&fr_tm_opt=new&NONCE_TOKEN=F24E5AAF7187EA4E4E519C16F24826C6



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February 1, 2022

Via email: mel.arnold@parl.gc.ca

Mel Arnold, Member of Parliament
North Okanagan-Shuswap
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada
K1A 0A6

Dear Mr. Arnold:

RE: BC Wildfires Petition-District of Lillooet

At their January 11, 2022 regular meeting, the Village of Chase Council considered correspondence from the District of Lillooet regarding the increasing risk and occurrences of wildfires, landslides and flooding in British Columbia.

In support of the 'Call to Action' petition and the District of Lillooet's motion, the following resolution was passed by Chase Council:

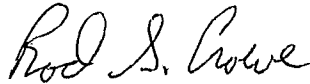
"THAT the Village of Chase send a letter to our Member of Parliament, Mel Arnold and copy our Member of the Legislative Assembly, Todd Stone, the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resources Operations and Rural Development, the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General, the Premier of British Columbia (with copies to the District of Lillooet and all UBCM member local governments) requesting that our Provincial and Federal Governments provide better forest management and wildfire protection practices in British Columbia by reviewing and assessing the current policies and guidelines and inviting feedback from a wide variety of stakeholders, with the sincere intent to make meaningful changes to the forest management and wildfire protection practices in British Columbia to provide better protection for all of us from wildfires, landslides, and floods."

As we are all aware, the wildfires, landslides and floods that have ravaged so much of British Columbia over the past years will only continue to damage valuable forests, businesses, homes and take the lives of humans and animals, if no action is taken to lessen the effects of climate change in BC with particular attention to forest management and wildfire protection practices.

We respectfully request that you share this correspondence with the House of Commons, and that the Call to Action will be answered as quickly as possible.

Sincerely,

VILLAGE OF CHASE

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rod S. Crowe". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Rod Crowe, Mayor

Cc: Todd Stone, MLA, Kamloops-South Thompson
District of Lillooet
All UBCM Member Local Governments

Barb Puddifant

From: southern interior local government <yoursilga@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, February 18, 2022 1:09 PM
To: becky harmata; Barb Puddifant; Cheryl Hardisty; Christy Malden; City Of Armstrong; City Of Enderby; City Of Kelowna; City Of Merritt; City of Penticton; City Of Revelstoke; Barb Puddifant; City of Vernon; Collette Beggs; crystal Gelineau; CSRD; District Of Barriere; District Of Clearwater; District Of Coldstream; District of Lake Country ...; District Of Lillooet; District Of Logan Lake; District Of Peachland; District of Sicamous; District of Summerland; District Of West Kelowna; info-rdco; Jaleen Rousseau; John Thomas; katie soltis; kelly bennett; Kelly McIntosh; linda brick; Marg Coulson; Maria Doyle; Melany Helmer; Melisa Miles; Murray daly; polly palmer; RDNO; RDOS; SLRD; Sun Peaks Resort Municipality; Tasha Buchanan; TNRD; Tom Kadla; Toni Boot; Town Of Oliver; Town Of Osoyoos; Town Of Princeton; Township Of Spallumcheen; Trevor Seibel; Village Of Ashcroft; Village Of Cache Creek; Village Of Chase; Village Of Clinton; Village Of Keremeos; Village Of Lumby; Village Of Lytton
Subject: [External] 2022 SILGA AGM and Convention, Salmon Arm - Registration is now open
Attachments: 2022 silga_speakers&panels Feb 18.pdf; 2022 SILGA_program SA Feb 18 web.pdf

Good afternoon everyone,

The SILGA Board of Directors and the Salmon Arm host convention committee are very excited to welcome you to an in person 2022 SILGA AGM and Convention in Salmon Arm from April 26th to 29th. They've put together an excellent line up of speakers, panels and tours for you to enjoy and the networking and other special events will bring you and your fellow local government officials back together in a fun but safe environment.

Masks and vaccine passports will be required upon registration. We're very pleased to see capacity limits back to 100%.

For all the details on the convention, please go to the SILGA website at www.silga.ca/convention

The live registration link is <https://www.civicinfo.bc.ca/event/2022/silga>

The program and the speakers, panels and tours document is attached to help you make your decisions about what sessions and tours to choose.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thanks, Alison

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2022 SILGA AGM & CONFERENCE

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Speakers & Tours

Dreaming Our Future: Storytelling and Healing Our Way Forward

Keynote Speaker Jesse Went

Thursday afternoon

In this exclusive talk, author, broadcaster, and arts leader Jesse Went explores the power of storytelling to heal ourselves, each other, and our societies and how it informs how we dream our future.



Jesse Went is a husband and father, as a writer, broadcaster, speaker and arts administrator. Born and raised in Toronto, his family comes from Chicago and Genaabaajing Anishinaabek and he is a member of the Serpent River First Nation. Jesse is best known for more than two decades spent as a columnist for CBC Radio's Metro Morning. An outspoken advocate for

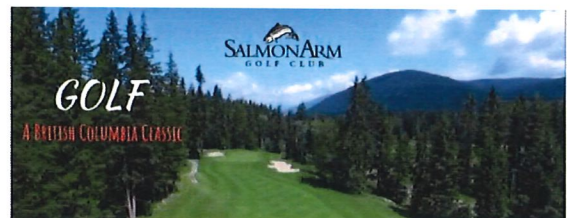
Indigenous rights and First Nations, Métis and Inuit art, he has spoken at the International Forum of Indigenous Peoples, Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, the Cultural Summit of the Americas, and in 2020 delivered the Harold Innis Lecture for the University of Toronto. Jesse has served on the board of directors of the Toronto Arts Council, The ImagineNative Film and Media Festival and Native Earth Performing Arts. In 2018, Jesse was named the founding director of the Indigenous Screen Office and in summer 2020 he was appointed Chair of the Canada Council for the Arts. Jesse received the Arbor Award from the University of Toronto in 2021 for his volunteer contributions. His first book "Unreconciled: Family, Truth and Indigenous Resistance" is a national bestseller and was picked as one of best books of 2021 by Chapters-Indigo, Apple Books and The Globe and Mail.

Tuesday, April 26th
Preconference Activities and Tours

12.30 pm

**Golf Salmon Arm Golf Course – Heritage Course
(9 holes)** 3641 Hwy 97B S, Salmon Arm

Cost is \$25. Transportation and equipment are not provided.



1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

**Cidery Tour - Shuswap Cider and
Northyards Cider (max 40) cost \$55**

Includes a flight of ciders at each location, snacks, and transportation. Outside venues. Dress appropriately!



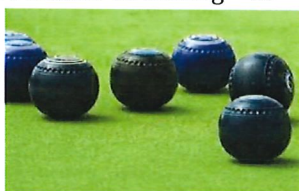
The 1920's was the Golden Age of the apple in the Shuswap. The climate was ideal for orchardists, with delicious apples in the world. These apples have now been transformed into unique ciders, paired with other locally produced fruits, just waiting for you to enjoy their flavours!



1:00 pm to 2:30 pm

Lawn bowling Cost \$10**691 28th St NE, Salmon Arm - no transportation provided (runners and masks mandatory)**

Come explore lawn bowling – a sport similar to curling - in which the objective is to roll balls so that they stop close to a smaller ball called a "jack". Get a thrill from knocking your opponent's ball out of the way so you can make more points. Teamwork is a must!

**Tuesday, April 26th****Afternoon****Preconference Session****1:30 pm to 3:30 pm****Big Moves in the Decade of Climate****Action BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council and the Community Energy Association**

The heat dome, wildfires, floods and washouts, pest infestations: all have been happening in BC and are evidence of the "code red for humanity" that was issued by the UN earlier this year in relation to climate change. But it's easy to say, "it's time for change" and another thing entirely to make it happen locally at the speed and scale necessary.

The BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council and the Community Energy Association know that action related to transportation, buildings, and waste will help reduce carbon emissions during this 'decade of climate action'. This session will include:

- An exploration of the Province of BC's CleanBC Roadmap to 2030 and implications for local governments
- Information about the 'Big Moves' for local climate action including top priorities right now and analysis of the decade ahead
- Integration of a resilience and climate adaptation lens, with region-specific content relevant to the Southern Interior
- Facilitated discussions and interactive activities with participants about their own experiences with policy, planning, funding, communicating climate action, and implementation

In this decade of climate action, we have no time to waste, and we must learn from each other.

Arjun Singh, Chair of the BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council

The BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council is a group of locally elected officials committed to climate leadership. Through peer learning, networking and resource development, BCMCLC inspires and engages other locally elected officials around the province to scale up climate action and increase collaboration between local governments and other partners, such as the Province of BC and utilities.

**Maya Chorobik, CEA Director of Climate Leadership**

Maya supports local governments with energy and emissions planning and project implementation, as well as education and capacity building for staff and elected officials. Maya is the facilitator for the BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council (BCMCLC), which provides education and peer networking to locally

elected officials committed to climate action in their communities. As part of this role, Maya coordinates the BC Climate Leaders Playbook, a resource designed to inform and support elected officials pursuing "big moves" in climate action related to buildings, transportation, and waste.

Tami Rothery CEA Senior Community Energy Manager

Tami is working in the areas of building retrofits, low carbon transportation, organizational leadership, and project implementation. Tami has more than 15 years of experience advancing climate action, including 5 years as Summerland's inaugural Sustainability / Alternative Energy Coordinator.

**Rob van Adrichem, CEA Director of External Relations**

Rob works to increase the reach of CEA and enhance its profile and support among CEA members, various levels of government, Indigenous communities, funders, community organizations, the private sector, post-secondary institutions, and economic development agencies. Rob specializes in making complex information interesting and understandable.

Preconference Session

1:30 pm to 2:15 pm

**Procurement for Community Wellbeing:
British Columbia Social Procurement Initiative**

Social procurement is a new best practice that governments and anchor institutions can utilize to unlock additional social value from existing purchasing. BCSPi is a member-based initiative that provides the training, resources and coaching that local governments and anchor institutions need to mobilize their existing spending and create multiple community benefits that support strategic goals and social planning objectives.

Karen Elliott, co-chair BCSPi

Karen Elliott was elected as Mayor of the District of Squamish in October 2018 after serving as a member of Squamish Council from 2014-2018. Karen served as the first Ombudsperson for Quest University Canada. In addition, Karen has 15 years of consulting experience as a

specialist in organizational effectiveness and leadership development.

Larry Berglund

Larry's supply chain expertise includes leadership positions in the forest industry, public health care, municipal government, university operations, academia, and consulting services in the private, public and non-profit sectors. He was fundamental with drafting and implementing the first ethical and sustainable procurement policy in Canada for the City of Vancouver. Larry has successfully integrated corporate social responsibility and social procurement values into supply management strategies and operations for many leading companies and organizations. He has drafted policies, affected change in public organizations and influenced practices in many companies.

**Evening**

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Pub Grub Night Salmon Arm Legion

141 Hudson Ave. NW (transportation not provided)



Take this opportunity to kick off the convention and mingle with your peers in a fun, relaxed environment. Challenge your colleagues to a game of pool or darts or just get caught up on all the news.

Wednesday, April 27th**Morning Tours**

8:00 am – 10:00 am

Tour of a robotic dairy farm - DeMay Farm

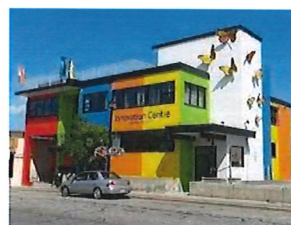
Hosts Brad May, Carla Soutar, Producer Services Manager, BC Dairy, John DeDood, BC Dairy Director and Henry Bremner, President of Kamloops Okanagan Dairy Association

8:00 am (wear closed toed, flat shoes, bio booties provided) 40 maximum

Experience the fresh air, expansive fields, and sights of an active dairy farm in Salmon Arm. During a walk-through tour hosted by the farmer himself, you will learn about the crops grown right on the farm, interact with a herd of Holstein milking cows, and view the farm's state of the art robotic milking barn.


**Tour of the Innovation
Centre/Makerspace and the Zest Food
Hub Hosts Lana Fitt and Tracy Edwards**

8:30 am 30 maximum



Salmon Arm Economic Development Society launched the *Salmon Arm Innovation Centre Powered by SASCU* in 2018. This 10,000sq ft, brightly coloured building, in Salmon Arm's downtown core is home to 19 co-

working offices, as well as a community makerspace. The vision of the Salmon Arm Innovation Centre pilot project is to establish a "Salmon Arm built solution" to rural technology sector growth, while creating a leading best practice example of a self-sustaining, small community Innovation Centre.



Your host, Lana Fitt, is the Economic Development Manager for Salmon Arm Economic Development Society. Lana holds an Ec.D designation in community economic development from the University of Waterloo and Economic

Development Association of Canada. In addition to her current non-profit position, she also has several years' experience working for local government.



The Zest Food Hub is the space where Salmon Arm entrepreneurs can turn their culinary inspirations into market-ready product. This food hub offers a commercial kitchen with a still-expanding array of

equipment, a commercial dishwasher as well as a separate cleaning and sanitization area for anchor tenants, cold storage and a classroom, all of which are available to encourage and support local food processing and production.

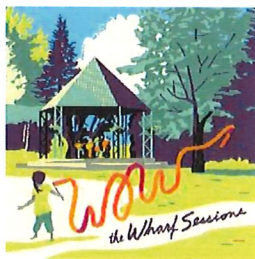
Your host will be Tracy Edwards, facility manager.

Salmon Arm Art Gallery

Host Tracey Kutschker, Director/Curator

(8:30 am) maximum 40

Salmon Arm Art Gallery is pleased to present a community-focused exhibition about the pollinators of the Shuswap region. Twelve artists plus a fibre arts collaborative group feature a diverse range of art media in this lively and educational exhibition.



Pollinators play a key role in regulating ecosystem services supporting food production, habitats and natural resources. Pollinators are embedded in local cultures and traditions, giving inspiration to art, music, literature, technology and education. In recent decades, climate change and human activities have altered the range, abundance and seasonal activities of some wild pollinator species – bees, birds, bats and butterflies. Simultaneously, environmental pollution has degraded the natural habitats. Awareness and mitigation are the first steps toward addressing this issue, and the arts can provide a vehicle for this important message.



As Director/Curator at Salmon Arm a balance of sunshine and enough moisture so that no irrigation was required. These unique conditions created some of the most

Arts Centre and Art Gallery, Tracey Kutschker has 20 years of experience in a management role in the arts and culture sector. A graduate of the University of Lethbridge, Tracey's liberal arts education gave her an excellent foundation in which to advance the cultural agenda in her small city through engagement, curatorial practice and relationship-building. Through inter-disciplinary arts programs and significant community collaborative art projects, Tracey has been facilitating conversations to address gender inequities, colonial systems, climate change and inclusivity. Her goals have and always will be to further culture-led and arts-informed community development.

Wednesday, April 27th

Morning/Afternoon Speakers

Address by the President of UBCM

Laurey-Anne Roodenburg, Quesnel Councillor



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How to create a healthy organizational culture and to set the stage for organizational resilience and psychological safety - Christina Benty

Imagine an environment where people are open-minded, collaborative, and have a team-oriented attitude with an ability to think innovatively to resolve complex challenges. Cultivating a culture like that requires leading with courage, trust, vulnerability and psychological safety.

Amid a global pandemic with the threat of climate change, service sustainability and a myriad of social issues, our communities need courageous leaders who prioritize healthy culture in their organizations. By inviting empathy, curiosity, and humility to be in the room and then listening to what arises, enables leaders to manage complexity and ambiguity with courage and grace.

Let's have a conversation about how to Cultivate the Right Culture!



Christina Benty, MA is a strategist and a human system change agent. She works with leaders and organizations who want to build a culture of excellence in an environment that is kinder, wiser, and more conscious. As a national speaker, facilitator, published author,

and a performance coach for governing bodies and senior management teams, she delivers intellectual content with energy and enthusiasm.

Weaving both the art and science of leadership, check out Christina's TEDx Talk on Leadership below:

www.christinabenty.com

Leading from your soul, not your role | Christina Benty | TEDxGastownWomen

Unlocking the Potential of Local Government Reserves: MFA's options for Socially Responsible and Long-Term Investing Peter Urbanc, MFABC CEO

This session will discuss some innovative new investment options the MFA has launched to support BC's Local Governments in achieving their investment goals.

We will review the MFA's newly launched long-term investment product: the Diversified Multi-Asset Class Fund (DMAC). This low-carbon footprint investment pool introduces new asset classes never before available to BC's local governments. As such, Councils and Boards will require education on the special nature of the fund to approve updated investment policies prior to investing in the Fund. The fund is only suitable for local government reserves that

are earmarked for future infrastructure projects with a time horizon of 10 years or longer.

This presentation will also discuss "socially responsible investing" and ESG considerations, both a growing topic of interest for many local government boards and councils - particularly as it pertains to investments that align with climate change risks. We will discuss the challenges and opportunities related to this emerging consideration.

Mr. Urbanc has 30 years of experience in global banking and the public sector, having worked as an investment banker, treasurer and executive officer. From 1990 to 2009, he was an investment banker in New York and London with a specialty focus on the debt capital markets. In 2009, Peter joined the Province of Nova Scotia's Department of Finance in Halifax as Executive Director and Treasurer. Mr. Urbanc also served as a Director of the Nova Scotia Pension Services Corporation and Trustee of both the Nova Scotia Teachers' Pension Plan and the Nova Scotia Public Service Long Term Disability Plan Trust. In January 2016, Mr. Urbanc took on the role of Chief Executive Officer at the Municipal Finance Authority of British Columbia. Mr. Urbanc holds a Bachelor of Commerce from McGill University and an MBA from the J.L. Kellogg School of Management.



Review of the Resolution Process: input and feedback UBCM President Laurey-Anne Roodenburg and UBCM Executive Director Gary MacIsaac

UBCM is conducting a review of our resolutions process. An important part of the review is engaging with our members to hear what you have to say.

We invite you to bring your ideas and join us for a discussion on how the resolutions process can be improved.



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Gary is the Executive Director of the Union of British Columbia Municipalities – a position he has held since 2007.

Gary has spent his entire career in local government. He started his career as Clerk-Treasurer of a small town in Nova Scotia, spent five years in the City Clerks

Department with the City of Vancouver in the mid-1990s, and spent 9 years as the CAO for a county government in Nova Scotia.

Gary has a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Dalhousie University. He and his wife Marion live in Saanich. They have three children.

Wednesday, April 27th

Evening

5:30pm to 7:30 pm

Welcome Reception

Song Sparrow Hall (180 Lakeshore Dr NW)

This unique hall brings people together in an ecologically-minded creative space designed to feature music and other creative



productions, The Hall is an inclusive and adaptable concert venue that partners with community organizations in the Shuswap to present vibrant cultural events.

Sponsored by Shaw Communications

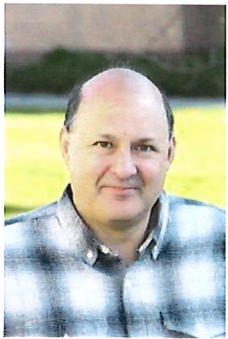
Thursday, April 28th

Morning Breakout Sessions

Risk and crisis communication: Lessons learned from wildfire seasons in B.C.

Dr. Michael Mehta and Merieme Boutaib

Mike and Merieme headed a study which looked at existing risk communications and crisis communications models being used by wildfire organizations. They came up with six recommendations for communications opportunities before, during and after wildfire events. The study also looked at the impact of emergency events across agency jurisdictions.



Dr. Michael Mehta is Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies at Thompson Rivers University in Kamloops. He holds a joint appointment in the Department of Sociology and Anthropology. He is an environmental social scientist who specializes in science, technology and society with a focus on environmental and health risk issues, and he focuses

on air pollution and solar energy.



Merieme Boutaib is a second year Master of Science in environmental science student at Thompson Rivers University. She received her industrial engineering degree from Ecole Supérieure des Industries du Textile et de l'Habillement in Morocco, and she accomplished her final project at University of Alberta. She is currently a

teaching assistant of engineering student at Thompson Rivers University.

Turn 'when' into 'now' - Making infrastructure projects feasible

Ron Zink, Corix Utilities, Aleksí Makila, Chandos Construction and Ronan Deane, North American Construction

This panel offers a unique, comprehensive solution in response to current trends towards increasing infrastructure costs for water and wastewater utility upgrades and expansions. Our solution combines financing, construction and operations, utilizing the benefits of the most collaborative form of project delivery coupled with the long term thinking of finance operate and maintain.



Ron Zink's experience in various senior positions in both Canada- and US-based projects will be of incredible value to the Taza Park East project. He has served as a Finance Specialist on multiple overseas assignments. His areas of expertise include financial analysis, financial structuring, and contract negotiation. He has worked extensively in the Water/Wastewater and Natural Gas distribution sectors, and also has exposure to Electrical Distribution.

As a Project Director, Aleksí provides leadership to the team, focusing on Cost Control, Schedule Management and Reporting, and ensure that both the client's and operational procedures are being followed. He supports the Project Manager providing oversight and ensuring the team has the necessary resources throughout the project to ensure success. Aleksí works with in-house and external personnel to ensure project construction is executed in a timely and efficient manner while maintaining integrity of design.



Ronan is a passionate, relationship-focused and dependable Senior Project Manager with over 20 years of experience managing both the development of teams and the delivery phase of complex infrastructure and civil projects. Commercially astute, with a holistic approach to the management of clients, engineers, and stakeholders, he has a successful track record in executing construction on a variety of different projects.

Climate Change and Health – Communities Moving Forward through Mitigation, Adaptation and Resilience

Dr. Sue Pollock, Interim Chief Medical Health Officer and Heather Deegan, Director of Population Health with Interior Health

Climate change is causing higher risk of health concerns from seasonal impacts in our environment like drought, flooding, wildfires and storms – affecting air quality, clean water and food security, and insect-transmitted diseases. People who face barriers to affordable housing, food security and health care are at a disadvantage when climate crises arise. This session will suggest ways how to continue collaboration with local governments on:

- Raising awareness within collaborative relationships
- Mitigation – Strategic Community Energy & Emission planning (SCEEPS)
- Adaptation – Heat Alert and Response System (HARS)
- planning, climate change and adaptation plans, policy considerations for community approaches
- Resilience – Increasing social connection, improved planning, and infrastructure



Sue Pollock is the Interim Chief Medical Health Officer with Interior Health. She currently leads a team of public health physicians and public health practitioners, responsible for the health and wellness of persons living in the Southern Interior.

Prior to joining Interior Health, Sue worked for the Public Health Agency of Canada, including two years as a Field Epidemiologist (“disease detective”) studying One Health, the intersection of human, animal and environment health. Sue is a Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada and holds a MD from the University of Calgary and a MSc from the University of Toronto. Sue has a longstanding interest in mitigating the health impacts of climate change and trained as a Climate Reality Leaders with former US Vice President Al Gore.

Heather Deegan is a Director of Population Health with Interior Health. She leads teams that promote health and prevent disease through their work with communities and families. Program staff work with local governments to create conditions in communities wherein



people can be healthier. Collaboration with urban planners and other partners in the community enables the health lens to be applied to planning processes and policy decision. Heather began her career as a clinical dietitian, but after completing a Masters degree with a focus on population health assessment, she knew she would never return to the hospital environment. She has been working in public health for 24 years and has recently taken a focus on the intersecting fields of public health and climate change.

Plenary Sessions

Film Industry Panel

Morgen Matheson, CSRD Film Commission

Vicci Weller, TNRD Film Commission

Jon Summerland, Okanagan Film Commission

Rick Dugdale, Film Producer and President Enderby Entertainment

Emerging Issues with States of Emergency

James Yardley, Lidstone & Co.

Following a year in which local and provincial states of emergency have been declared on numerous occasions, a number of issues have arisen, and lessons have been learned. This presentation will provide an overview of some of these issues including whether there are limits to what is an emergency and how long it can last, issues to address during and after declarations of emergency, and liability to local governments exercising emergency powers.



James' practice mainly involves litigation and dispute resolution, although he also provides advice on a broad variety of local government matters. James has practised law involving local governments since his call to the

Bar in 1991. He was born and raised in Prince George, has a law degree from the University of Toronto, and a Masters degree in Community and Regional Planning from UBC.

Thursday, April 28th

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Attainable Housing – The Missing Middle

John McEown, BC Housing, Kevin Pearson, Director of Development Services with City of Salmon Arm, Matt Thompson, Planner with Urban Matters and a builder with Central Interior Home Builders Association

The Value of Cultural Mapping for Local Governments

Dr. Will Garrett-Petts, Cheryl Gladu, Sukh Heer Matonovich, and Kate Fagervik, Thompson Rivers University

As cultural planning has become more established in local governments and as culture has become more integrated within broader strategic development and planning initiatives, there has been growing pressure to identify, quantify, and geographically locate cultural assets (such as facilities, organizations, public art, heritage, and so forth) so that they can be considered in multi-sectoral decision-making and planning contexts. This activity has been propelled, on one hand, by rising attention to place promotion in the context of tourism and the (often related) attraction of investors and skilled workers. On the other hand, it also has included participative initiatives regarding community development and the improvement of quality of life in, for example,

neighbourhoods or other target areas. Altogether, these considerations have given rise to a municipal cultural mapping framework with three-fold purposes: to build a knowledge base, to mobilize community collaboration, and to strategize or make decisions.

Dr. Will Garrett-Petts



Dr. Will Garrett-Petts is Professor and Associate Vice-President of Research and Graduate Studies at Thompson Rivers University. He is former

Research Director of the Small Cities Community-University Research Alliance—a national research program exploring the cultural future of smaller communities. His recent books include *Artistic Approaches to Cultural Mapping*; *Cultural Mapping as Cultural Inquiry*; *Whose Culture is it, Anyway?*; *Community Engagement in Small Cities*; and *The Small Cities Book: On the Cultural Future of Small Cities*.

Connecting Communities with an Integrated Approach to Geohazard Risk Management

Kris Holm, Principal Geoscientist, BCG Engineering

Mountainous areas of BC are subject to floods and landslides that can damage property, sever infrastructure, and in tragic cases, cause life loss. The unprecedented wildfire and hydroclimatic events in BC during 2021 have kept these issues at the forefront of public concern and highlight the need for coordinated approaches to managing risk.

In this workshop, Kris will share recent examples of integrated flood and steep creek geohazards management in BC and facilitate a conversation with authorities with different responsibilities but shared needs to manage risk. The workshop objective is to identify one to three shared priorities that, when advanced by elected officials, create a stronger path to risk reduction for communities than single jurisdictions may accomplish in isolation. Workshop outcomes will also inform actions by practitioners working to integrate geohazards management in BC.

Kris Holm M.Sc., P.Geo., leads BGC Engineering's Communities Sector Team and has 25 years of North and South America consulting experience in geohazard and risk management for the Mining, Transportation and Communities sectors. His practice spans multi-hazard risk management at scales ranging from single sites to broad regions, including quantitative risk assessment,



policy integration. Mr. Holm has also led the development of web applications used by decision makers to incorporate geohazards knowledge into planning and policy and directed integrated flood and steep creek geohazard studies for BC communities that received a 2021 Award of Merit from the Association of Consulting Engineers Canada (BC). He is actively involved in several projects supporting recovery efforts for local government and First Nations communities affected by 2021 wildfires and floods.

Airport Service Development

Sam Samaddar, Airport Director, Kelowna International Airport

Do you ever wonder how air service is developed? Air service development is the practice of retaining and/or establishing air service to a given airport or community. Air service development is a community effort, not just an airport effort. When stakeholders understand and are on board with air service development efforts, the chance of success is much higher. Air service development is usually an ongoing effort to retain as well as pursue additional service."



Sam's interest in aviation developed early when he was involved with the Royal Canadian Air Cadets and achieved his private pilot's license at the age of 17.

In 1988 he commenced his airport career at Vancouver International Airport where he held several positions including Airport Duty

Manager and Superintendent of Ground Transportation.

In July 2008 Sam was appointed the Airport Director for the Kelowna International Airport – one of the top ten airports in Canada serving just over 2 million passengers in 2019. As Airport Director Sam currently is a board member of Tourism Kelowna and the International Association of Airport Executives. He is also the current Chair of Airports Council International North America and a former Chair of the Canadian Airports Council.

Evening

6 pm to 11:00 pm

Banquet

Prestige Harbourfront Resort (251 Harbourfront Drive NE, Salmon Arm, BC)

Sponsored by Fortis BC

Friday, April 29th*Morning Speakers*
.....**High Tech Business Development Panel****Chad Shipmaker, CAO Valid Manufacturing, Randy Spyksma, Forestry Planner, Forsite Consultants, and Reid Findlay, SD #83 District Principal****Minister of Municipal Affairs Josie Osborne**

Josie Osborne was elected as MLA for Mid Island-Pacific Rim in 2020. She grew up on Vancouver Island and has lived in Tofino for over 20 years, first moving there to work as a fisheries biologist for the Nuuchahnulth Tribal Council and later as executive director of an environmental education non-profit organization.



She has significant experience in local government, including serving as Mayor of Tofino from 2013-2020 and as Chair and Vice-Chair for the Alberni Clayoquot Regional District. During her time in local government, Josie chaired the Tofino Housing Corporation and was a strong proponent for active transportation and regional transit. She has served as Chair of the Board for the Island Coastal Economic Trust, and in 2017, she was appointed by the BC Minister of Environment and Climate Change to the BC Clean Growth and Climate Action Advisory Council.

Josie studied marine biology at the University of British Columbia and completed a Master's in resource management at Simon Fraser University. She has worked to advance sustainable development throughout her career in public service. Josie lives with her husband on 10 acres in Tofino with their dog, three goats, and a coop full of chickens.

2022 SILGA AGM & CONFERENCE Salmon Arm BC



<p>Tuesday, April 26th Afternoon</p>	<p>Sessions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BC Social Procurement Initiative OR 2. Big Moves in Climate Action <p>Salmon Arm Fun Activities</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Shuswap and Northyard Cideries <i>(includes tastings, snacks, transportation)</i> 2. Lawn bowling 3. Golf at Salmon Arm Golf Club
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Keynote Speaker Jesse Went

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Trade show closes

Evening

Banquet – Prestige Harbourfront Resort

**Friday, April 29th
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Community Excellence Awards

High Tech Business Panel

Minister of Municipal Affairs Josie Osborne

Grand Prize Draw

From: Leah Samson <lsamson@orl.bc.ca>

Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 10:01 AM

Subject: [External] Proposed draft UBCM Resolution re Public Library Funding

Hello,

As requested at today's meeting of the Library Board, attached is the draft resolution template. Here is the motion that was passed:

MOTION 6

It was moved and seconded

THAT board members take the draft UBCM resolution to their councils and consider passing a motion that the suggested language be brought forward as a motion to SILGA and UBCM, to bring forward to the provincial government.

CARRIED

Regards,

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UBCM Draft Resolution Template

As you know the BC Public Library Partners continue to advocate to the Province for increased and sustainable funding for public libraries.

Based on requests we've received from you in 2021, this year's advocacy effort includes a draft UBCM resolution template supporting the request for increased funding.

We know some municipalities are already beginning to develop resolutions to be submitted to UBCM by the June 30th deadline, so we are providing a draft template, which was endorsed by the ABCPLD Board (below) to assist those who are interested in participating in this process.

I hope this is helpful to you and your Board in lending your voice of support,

Elizabeth and the ABCPLD Board

DRAFT TEMPLATE:

Whereas libraries in British Columbia are largely financed by levies paid by local governments, and where provincial library funding has remained stagnant for the past 10 years:

And whereas public libraries are central to communities, providing equitable access to vital resources, including internet, computers, digital library tools, and in-person services from expert staff;

And whereas public libraries provide British Columbians with low-barrier services, that support job seekers and small businesses, that increase literacy in communities, that advance reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, and that promote equity and inclusion;

Therefore be it resolved that _____ urge the Government of British Columbia to provide long-term sustainable funding for public libraries in BC;

And be it further resolved that the Province ensure that BC Libraries will henceforth receive regular increases to Provincial Government funding in subsequent years.