



Committee of the Whole

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to be held at the City of Penticton, Council Chambers
171 Main Street, Penticton, B.C.

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Tuesday, April 18, 2023

Recessed from the Regular Council Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

1. **Call Committee of the Whole to Order**
2. **Adoption of Agenda**
3. **Delegations:**
 - 3.1 CFSOS 30th Anniversary & Opening of Neighbourhood Small Grants 1-13
Aaron McRann, Executive Director, and Kim English, Neighbourhood Small Grants Coordinator,
Community Foundation of the South Okanagan Similkameen (CFSOS)
 - 3.2 Snpa?x̣təntn - Supportive Housing Program 14-23
Bob Hughes, ASK Wellness Society & Shauna Fox, Ooknakane Friendship Centre
4. **Adjourn to Regular Meeting of Council**



Request to Appear as a Delegation

Preferred Council Meeting Date: April 4

Second choice(s): April 18

Subject matter: CFSOS 30th Anniversary & Opening of Neighbourhood Small Grants

Name of person(s) making presentation:

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Please provide details of your presentation or request of Council here: (or provide a detailed attachment)

In the presentation, we will speak to our service in the community and highlight a few
collaborations between the City of Penticton and the Foundation, including the
co-funding partnership of the Neighbourhood Small Grants program which will open on
April 4th, 2023.

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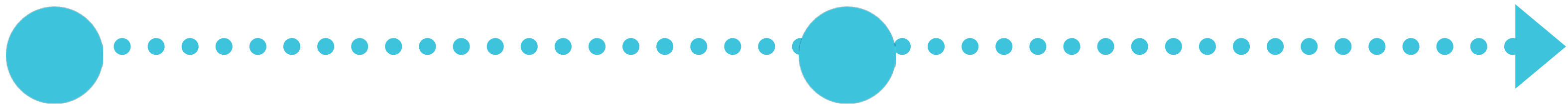
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City of Penticton

Community Foundation Update - April 2023

Celebrating 30 years



Early 1990s

- Incorporation of the "Penticton & District" Foundation

Today

- Serve the entire RDOS
- Manage over 180 Funds
- \$16 million in assets under management
- \$8.6 million total grants to community
- \$900,000+ granted annually

Who do we help?

Giving Choices. Funding Change.

We offer a wide variety of ways for people to donate and give back to their community.

Local charities

- Agency Funds
- Flow Through Funds
- Grant opportunities
- Connect with donors

Community

- Community Funds
- Neighbourhood Small Grants
- Giving Circles
- Bursaries
- Response & Relief Funds

Donors

- Personal/Family Legacy Funds
- Designated Funds
- Donor Advised Funds
- Discretionary Funds
- Variety of gift types

Giving Back to the Community

City of Penticton Trust Fund

Endowed Community Fund, Established 2001

- Total Grants: \$565,060
- Total Donations: \$1,000,000
- Total Grantees: 132 charities and organizations

\$350,000+

in grants made
to the Penticton
community
in 2022

6

Agency Funds
established by
Penticton charities

27

NSG projects
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Penticton

40+

organizations in
Penticton received
grants in 2022

Giving Back to the Community

City of Penticton Centennial Legacy Fund

Endowed Bursary Fund, Established 2008

- Total Grants: \$22,000
- Total Donations: \$44,000
- Total Grantees: 24 bursary recipients

\$350,000+

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Investing in the Community

Impact Investing

- the act of making investments to earn "social returns" as well as financial returns.



Penticton Youth Centre

- Opened its doors in 2019
 - Houses various Youth Service Providers
 - "One-stop shop"
 - Serving 1,000+ youth annually
 - +60% would not have sought help elsewhere

The Bridge House

- Purchased in 2021
 - Leased to The Bridge Youth & Family Services
 - Provides supported housing for women recovering from addictions
 - Service was being lost to Kelowna due to housing crunch

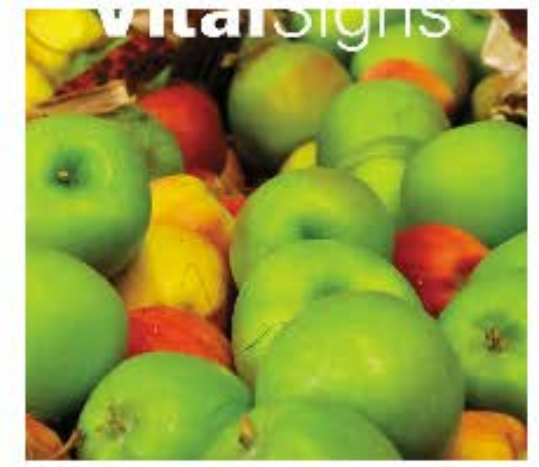
Taking the pulse of the Community



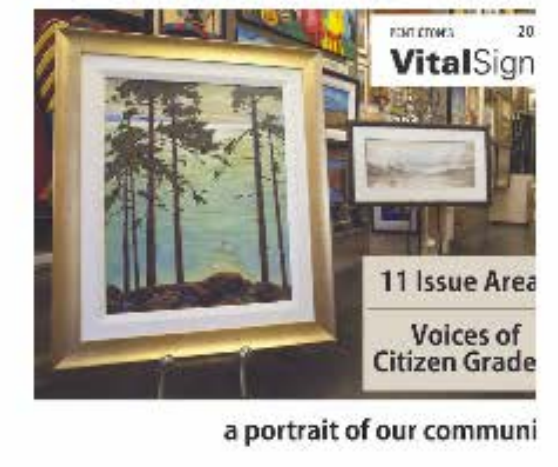
2018 Vital Signs Report



2015 Vital Signs Report



2013 Vital Signs Report



2011 Vital Signs Report

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VitalSigns®





Grassroots giving and granting

Giving Circles

100 Women Who Care

- Started: 2014
- Members: 300+
- Raised: \$150,000



100 Men Who Care

- Started: 2016
- Members: 150+
- Raised: \$180,000



Neighbourhood Small Grants

Everyone is invited

83 projects in Penticton 2017-2022



"I am so grateful to the City of Penticton and the Community Foundation for making this event possible. It was a dream come true. The Neighbours all asked that it become an annual thing...we'll see what we can do to make that happen."



Application opens April 4th - May 12th

Our Team



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Giving Choices.
Funding Change.





Proclamation

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"Community Foundation Day" April 20, 2023

- WHEREAS** the people of Penticton benefit from the work of community foundations in supporting philanthropy, and
- WHEREAS** philanthropy is laudable and valued in this society and something that should be encouraged in the people of Penticton, and
- WHEREAS** hundreds of volunteer organizations, charities and non-profit organizations are given support through community foundations, and
- WHEREAS** there are 49 community foundations throughout the province of BC, and
- WHEREAS** there is a need to raise awareness of the vital role community foundations have in the City of Penticton and the wider area of South Okanagan Similkameen;

NOW, THEREFORE I, Mayor Julius Bloomfield, **DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** April 20, 2023 as "**Community Foundation Day**" in the City of Penticton and urge my fellow citizens to recognize the crucial role played by this organization in our community.

Mayor Julius Bloomfield



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Presenting a summary of Snpa ? x ` t ə ntn, Penticton's newest Supportive Housing Program, whose model includes recovery and cultural supports.

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“Snpałxtəntn” (Healing House) 3240 Skaha Lake Road, Penticton, BC

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) Sheet

ASK Wellness Society and Oonakane Friendship Centre, in partnership with BC Housing, are proud to announce the opening of Snpałxtəntn. Also known as Healing House, Snpałxtəntn is Penticton’s newest supportive housing program.



What is supportive housing?

Supportive Housing is subsidized housing with 24/7 on-site supports for single adults, seniors, and people with disabilities who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. These supports help people find and maintain stable housing.

What is “Snpałxtəntn”?

Snpałxtəntn means “a healing place” in Nsyilxcən (the language spoken by Syilx peoples). Pronounced [Sin-pow_h-tan-tn], but please defer to a language speaker for certainty.

How is this building different from other supportive housing programs?

Most supportive housing programs focus on a low barrier approach. This building is recovery-focused for people who are further along in their recovery journey and want to live in an environment free from alcohol and substance use, while also offering cultural supports. Program participants will be committed to living in a manner that supports the wellbeing of their community, their own recovery, and the recovery of their fellow program participants.

What other supports does this program provide?

There will be a number of accessibility units for those who use mobility aides. The building has laundry facilities and a commercial kitchen on the main floor. Program participants will have access to two meals per day. Unique to Snpaʔxtəntn, staff positions will include Housing Support Workers, Peer Recovery Support Coaches, Employment Rehabilitation Workers, a Drug & Alcohol Counsellor, and a Cultural Support Worker. Staff's role is to support individuals in connecting to education, employment and volunteering opportunities, specific to the individual program participant's self-identified goals.

How many people will live in the building?

There will be 52 studio apartments that will be suitable for one program participant and 2 one-bedroom units that can house couples who are on their recovery journey together. Each apartment has its own bathroom and kitchenette and comes with basic furnishings.

How is the program funded?

The program is funded by BC Housing. ASK Wellness Society and Ooknakane Friendship Centre submitted a partnered Request for Proposals (RFP) in January 2021 and were successful.

How do I apply?

To apply for supportive housing, you must submit an application to the Supportive Housing Registration Service. The process is outlined on BC Housing's website:

<https://www.bchousing.org/housing-assistance/housing-with-support/supportive-housing>

When will operations begin?

The program will open in early summer 2023. Move-ins are projected to begin in June.

About the operators.

ASK Wellness Society is a charitable not-for-profit housing and health organization that has operated in the Southern Interior for over 30 years. The Society operates over 700 housing units in the Interior of BC, including supportive housing, seniors housing, and family housing. Ooknakane Friendship Centre is an Indigenous not-for-profit society that is committed to providing holistic, culturally driven programs and services designed to support, educate and strengthen people.

This partnership will allow for the delivery of culturally diverse programming to honor our commitment to reconciliation and inclusivity. The operators aim to meet every program participant where they are at and will take a person-centered approach to each individual's supports.

Who should I contact if I have questions?

Please reach out to ASK Wellness Society directly at info@askwellness.ca or contact Kenneth Scott, program coordinator, at 250-487-9339 or k.scott@askwellness.ca. BC Housing is developing an updated interactive Let's Talk Page to be available at www.letstalkhousingbc.ca in spring 2023.



PEER AMBASSADOR PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT

Dec 2022-Feb 2023

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Streets → **Homes** → **Health** → **Employment**

MONTHLY UPDATES

DECEMBER

At the onset of this winter season, the staff and peer ambassadors gathered to discuss ongoing plans for the winter. After some group discussion, it was decided that we would focus program efforts on continuing to collect and provide warm clothing donations to those living on the streets. The team also agreed to participate in snow removal around the city while also providing litter clean-up on the days when the weather was suitable.

We were grateful to see donations pour in from across the community, allowing the peer ambassadors to sort and distribute them to those in need. During the holidays, a generous community member donated \$740 worth of gift cards to local restaurants. The peer ambassadors distributed these gift cards to those in Penticton needing a warm meal or coffee.

"That was really nice, people can get something to eat now. What a great Christmas gift"
-Fairhaven Program Participant

JANUARY

January proved to be a busy month for the peer ambassadors who undertook a variety of tasks. Despite the snow, we managed to collect roughly 390 lbs of litter while also overseeing the community sharps bins and providing donations to those in need. When required, the peer ambassadors would also assist with shoveling and salting around the downtown core.

Furthermore, we were able to use a one-time funding payment from the City of Penticton to purchase a trailer, snow blower, lawn mower, pressure washer, and weed whacker, along with other much needed supplies. These items will allow the program to expand and give the peer ambassadors the opportunity to develop additional employment skills.

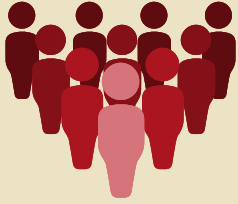
"I've messed up a lot in my life but hearing one person thank me for doing this makes me feel good."
-Burdock Program Participant

FEBRUARY

In the month of February, BC Housing donated \$1,000 for the purchase of warm clothing items for individuals experiencing homelessness. With these funds, the peer ambassadors were able to hand out a number of clothing items to folks around Penticton. Additionally, in collaboration with United Way, the staff and peer ambassadors delivered bus tickets to organizations around the city.

"It's cool that you guys come find us, this really helps."
- Community Member

QUARTERLY HIGHLIGHTS



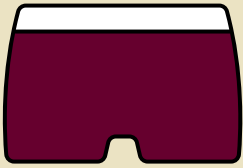
33 People
Employed



\$5,085 in Gift Cards
Paid Out



480lbs of Litter
Collected



70 Undergarments/
Long Johns Distributed



55 Pairs of Gloves &
42 Toques Distributed



168 Pairs of Socks
Distributed

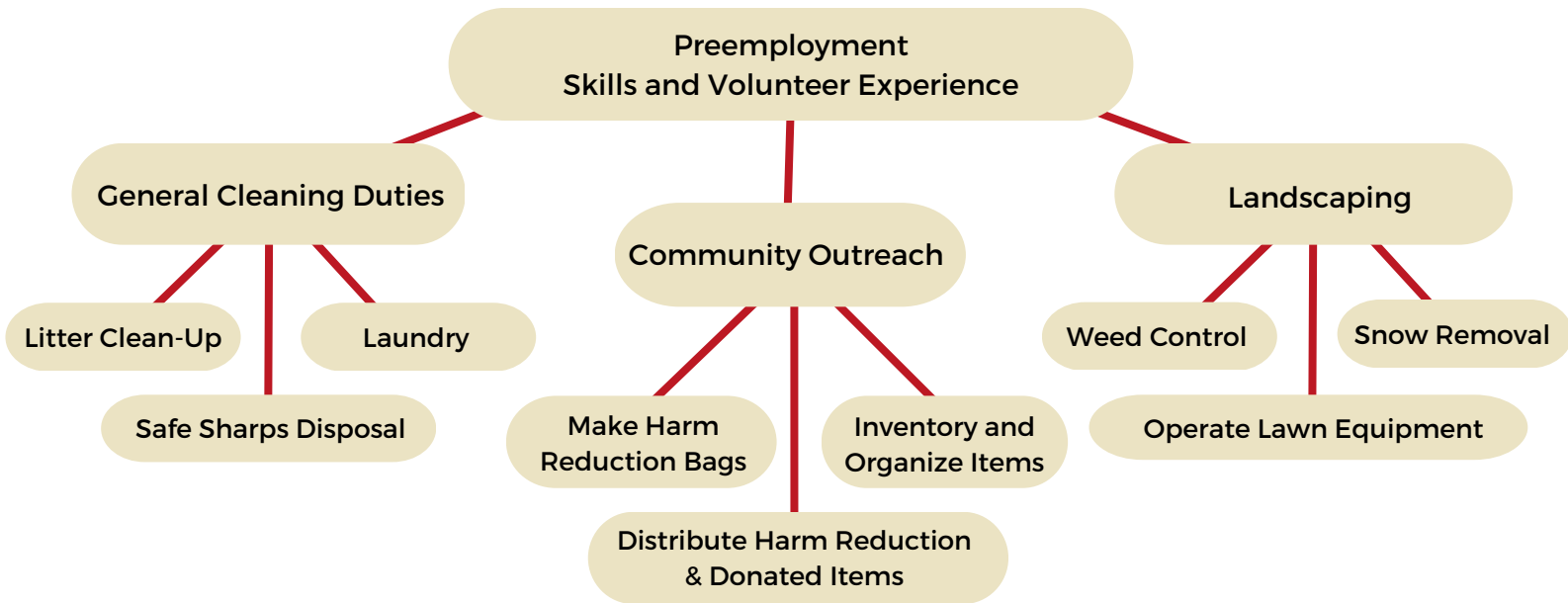
ADDITIONAL IMPACTS

- 100 Hand Warmers Distributed
- 6 Emergency Blankets Distributed
- 14 Improperly Discarded Needles Collected
- Salting and Shoveling the Downtown Core



WHAT WE AIM TO ACHIEVE

PEER AMBASSADOR PROGRAM DUTIES



BENEFITS WE AIM TO ACHIEVE



MEET THE TEAM

DAYNA'S STORY ADDRESSING STIGMA

Dayna has been a member of the community since 2005, living throughout the Okanagan. Like many others during the Covid-19 lockdowns, Dayna reports that she became isolated. After losing her brother during this time, Dayna found herself in the Penticton shelter system. Dayna transitioned to supportive housing roughly two years ago where she eventually became involved with the Ambassador Program. She describes herself as a kind and caring person who appreciates art, music, and figure skating. Dayna is an avid volunteer, stating that she “likes to give back when she can”.



Dayna continues to participate as a peer ambassador while also planning on volunteering at an art festival this summer. She has expressed that she believes she is “doing something positive in the community” while combating against stigmatizing ideas and practices. Dayna states that “it feels like the community views people living in supportive housing negatively”. She would like to change that. Dayna’s plans for the future consist of continuing to advocate for social change while one day hoping to work in the social services field as an addictions counselor.

MEET THE TEAM

DONNI'S STORY USING YOUR VOICE

An early proponent of harm reduction, Donni has been an advocate in the community for the last twenty years. Spending time educating others around the benefits associated with a harm reduction approach, Donni describes an innate passion that he has to help others overcome their adversities. Prior to becoming involved in community activism, Donni had spent time working in the hospitality industry where he managed several nightclubs across the country.



During the summer of 2021, Donni spotted a poster for the Ambassador Program that sparked his interest. Since then, he has been an integral part of the team, demonstrating the importance of having programming options for individuals living in supportive housing. Donni states that he enjoys employment opportunities that allow him to give back to the community. Donni's goals for the future include continuing to educate people around their rights and the resources that are offered in Penticton. He hopes to eventually do community outreach or work in a shelter.



ON THE HORIZON

UPCOMING EVENTS

As the warmer months began to approach, the program plans on once again focusing efforts on cleaning up the community. We have identified hot-spot areas around Penticton. Litter clean-up will begin in these targeted areas before looking to tidy other locations.

The peer ambassadors will begin to assist the community by offering yardwork and litter clean-up at select sites identified by City Bylaw.

Additionally, the program is working with partner organizations to plan a Penticton Spring Clean-Up. This will take place on April 13th and will give the staff and peer ambassadors an opportunity to get acquainted with others in the community. Be on the lookout for more information to come and we hope to see you there!

If you know of any areas around Penticton needing some TLC or are interested in supporting the program we can be reached at:

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