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Join us for the official opening of the new Skaha Splash Pad

(Penticton, BC – July 9, 2025) – The City of Penticton is inviting you to attend the (rescheduled) opening celebration of the new Skaha Splash Pad on Wednesday, July 16, 2025, at 3 p.m.

This event celebrates the collaboration between the City of Penticton, Rotary Club, the Penticton Indian Band, and the En'owkin Centre, whose combined efforts have brought the innovative new design to life. Developed in conjunction with partners, the design features a variety of interactive and inclusive water features, including animal-themed spray cannons, a soaker dumping bucket, ground sprays, and a spray tunnel.

"The Skaha Splash Pad is a wonderful addition to our community, enhancing the vibrancy and liveliness of our public spaces," says Mayor Julius Bloomfield. "These types of amenities are crucial in fostering a sense of community and providing residents with engaging, enjoyable places to gather and connect. We are grateful to the Penticton Indian Band and the En'owkin Centre for their contributions, and to the Rotary Club of Penticton for their significant donation of \$151,000, which was essential in bringing this project to life."

The park has also been enhanced with new landscaping, a seating wall, and a misting station for all ages to cool off on hot summer days.

The grand opening event will feature an official program starting at 3 p.m., which includes a traditional blessing, a ribbon-cutting ceremony, and a variety of activities for children.

Additionally, the event will acknowledge the new Skaha Lake Park sign that incorporates traditional language, marking the first step for future signage across the City.

Event Details:

• Date: Wednesday, July 16, 2025

• **Time:** 3 p.m.

Official Program

Traditional Blessing

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Kids' Activities

• Location: Skaha Lake Park, Penticton, B.C.

Funding for this project includes contributions from the Canada Community-Building Fund, Connected Communities, and the donation from the Rotary Club of Penticton.

Join us for an afternoon of celebration, community spirit, and fun as we unveil the new Skaha Splash Pad and honor the cultural heritage of our region.

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