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## ABOUT SPARC BC

SPARC BC (Social Planning and Research Council of BC) is a socially driven charitable organization turning evidence-based research into action since 1966. Guided by strong community values, SPARC BC blends collaborative work, public education and social enterprise to achieve its mission of working with communities for a just and healthy society for all. By valuing community knowledge and building networks with others across the province, SPARC BC is helping to lead positive change in accessibility, inclusion, income security, community development, and social planning. Through the growth and development of two social enterprises, SPARC BC delivers high quality services and measurable impact through the Parking Permit Program for People with Disabilities and SPARC BC Research & Consulting Services. In all of its work, SPARC BC upholds the core value that all people have unique knowledge to contribute to their community and that positive change happens when people are included and engaged in planning and acting together.

### SPARC BC RESEARCH & CONSULTING SERVICES

When you have an important community project on the horizon, consider using SPARC BC Research & Consulting Services. An essential aspect to how we work is the respect and value of community knowledge and our endeavor to enhance community capacity. The SPARC BC Research and Consulting staff have a wide base of knowledge and skills, and are always willing to discuss your needs. We are well known for delivering tailored work in accessibility planning, organizational development, social planning, diversity work, affordability studies, and Aboriginal & Non-Aboriginal intercultural work, and much more. If you are interested in speaking with us call 604-718-7757 or visit our website at [www.sparc.bc.ca/research-a-consulting](http://www.sparc.bc.ca/research-a-consulting).

### COMMUNITY SOCIAL PLANNING NETWORK OF BC (CSPN BC)

CSPN BC is a network that exists to support the activities of community social planning organizations in BC. CSPN BC has organized two provincial conferences (2005 & 2008), a number of regional events, and supports and email list for individuals interested in issues related to community social planning.

CSPN BC also developed and supported a motion passed at the 2007 UBCM convention calling on the provincial government to provide ongoing financial support for community social planning activities in communities across BC.

SPARC BC administers the network and works with a provincial steering committee with representatives from a number of social planning organizations (Comox Valley Social Planning Society, Community Planning Council of Prince George, Nelson Social Planning Action Network, Quesnel Child Youth and Family Network) to establish goals and priorities.

If you would like more information on CSPN BC please visit the SPARC BC website ([www.sparc.bc.ca/community-social-planning](http://www.sparc.bc.ca/community-social-planning)) or contact Jim Sands at 604-718-7742 and via email, [jsands@sparc.bc.ca](mailto:jsands@sparc.bc.ca) or [info@sparc.bc.ca](mailto:info@sparc.bc.ca).

## ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Across British Columbia community social planning organizations are working to address issues such as poverty, homelessness, and affordable housing and to promote community well-being. They use a range of tools and strategies including research, public education, public discussion and dialogue, and advocacy.

This fourth edition of Social Planning Contacts in British Columbia is intended to recognize and celebrate the efforts of these organizations and committees. It provides contact information for about 70 organizations that engage in community social planning activities.

With a changing economy and growing uncertainty, interest in community social planning is increasing. This edition of Social Planning Contact reflects this situation by providing information on several emerging initiatives across the province.

We welcome your feedback on this booklet. If you have any questions, comments, or want to suggest contacts for inclusion in future editions please contact us.

### USING THIS GUIDE

The Guide is divided into two sections:

- 1) Community Social Planning Organizations are listed alphabetically according to name.
- 2) Municipal government citizen advisory committees are listed alphabetically by municipality.

We will also offer a list sorted by region on our website at [www.sparc.bc.ca](http://www.sparc.bc.ca)



COMMUNITY SOCIAL PLANNING  
ORGANIZATIONS



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**ESTABLISHED** 1969 **GEOG. AREA** Abbotsford, Mission, Chilliwack, Langley

**MISSION** Fosters community well-being and social justice through positive action and leadership. **ACTIVITIES** Counseling, youth outreach, family support and resources, early development services, services to seniors, recycling for Abbotsford and Mission, multicultural and settlement services, legal, advocacy, anti-poverty services and services to people with developmental disabilities

## ALBERNI COMMUNITY & WOMEN'S SERVICES SOCIETY

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**MISSION** Promotes the empowerment and safety of women, children and youth, through high quality counseling, education, support and resources. Works toward community connectedness and a violence free society.

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**ESTABLISHED** 2004 **GEOG. AREA** Kootenays **MEMBERSHIP** 350

**MISSION** Promotes the mental health of all and supports the resilience and recovery of people experiencing mental illness. CMHA accomplishes this mission through advocacy, education, research and service. **ACTIVITIES** Mental Wellness Education, Youth, Childcare and Women's Services, Employment Programs, Volunteer Management Services, Crisis Intervention, and Housing

## CASTLEGAR SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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Sandi McCreight CO-CHAIR

Susan Olheiser

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**ESTABLISHED** 1999 **MISSION** Meets regularly (3 times per year) to discuss community and citizen needs. Discussions happen in a democratic manner, and all efforts at working to identify and solve community issues are collaborative with a common vision and shared values. **ACTIVITIES** Projects include Support to Families project (BC Housing), the Community Wellness Assessment project, the Volunteer Driver Project, 2005 All Candidates Forum on Community Sustainability, and the Food Security Project.

## CHILD & YOUTH COMMITTEE OF THE BOUNDARY COMMUNITIES

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**FOUNDED** 1991 **GEOG. AREA** The Boundary Region, including the communities of Christina Lake, Grand Forks, Greenwood, Midway, Rock Creek, Bridesville, Westbridge, Christian Valley, Beaverdell, Carmi, and Big White **MISSION** A motivated and passionate group of citizens and organizations who are committed to social change and action to create a healthier Boundary community in which children, youth, and families can grow and prosper. **ACTIVITIES** Provides opportunities for citizens, activists, service providers and decision-makers to bring energy, perspectives, and challenges; builds capacity and inspires synergy in the Boundary community through collaboration, sharing resources and developing integrated plans; nurtures interconnectedness and models the process to create a safe, healthy, vibrant community for the children of today and tomorrow.

## CHILD & YOUTH INTERSERVICES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (POWELL RIVER)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1997 **GEOG. AREA** Powell River, Lund, Sultry Bay, and Texada Island.

**MEMBERSHIP** Identifies working partnerships and needs for services for children and families through community partnerships and networking.

## CHILLIWACK SOCIAL RESEARCH & PLANNING COUNCIL

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**ESTABLISHED** 2000 geog. area Chilliwack and surrounding area membership University College of the Fraser Valley; City of Chilliwack; Chilliwack Community Services; United Way of the Fraser Valley; Family YMCA; Fraser Health Authority mission Conducts social issue research in the Chilliwack area; disseminates and analyze a variety of social research data for the community of social service providers and for the City of Chilliwack; contributes to the advancement of local social services. **ACTIVITIES** Research initiatives involving downtown social issues, health care, the extension of social services to the area of Chilliwack that is south of the freeway, and an Age Friendly Community project including a large survey and forums.

## COLUMBIA BASIN TRUST (SOCIAL SECTOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1995 **GEOG. AREA** Canadian portion of the Columbia River Basin  
**MISSION** The Columbia Basin Trust supports efforts by the people of the Basin to create a legacy of social, economic, and environmental wellbeing and to achieve greater self-sufficiency for present and future generations. **ACTIVITIES** CBT has a three year social strategic plan that guides its activities in this area.

## COMMUNITIES THAT CARE (SQUAMISH)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1998 membership 28 community leaders (CTC Advisory Board) and 32 Prevention Team Members **MISSION** Communities that Care is a community mobilization process aimed at preventing five problem behaviours that may inhibit success: substance abuse, delinquency, teenage pregnancy, school drop out, and violence. **ACTIVITIES** Assessment of risk factors, protective factors, and resource availability in the community; identification of promising, evidence based approaches to address prioritized risk and protective factors; and evaluation of programs and progress toward outcomes. Strengthening Families Program and High/Scope Approach to Pre-School.

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS (REVELSTOKE)

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**ESTABLISHED** 2001 **GEOG. AREA** Revelstoke & District **MISSION** To strengthen and enrich the lives of individuals and families in our community by providing accessible, responsive services **ACTIVITIES** Services that provide social, educational, employment, housing, volunteer, and counselling opportunities for children, families, and individuals, including those with developmental disabilities.

## COMMUNITY PLANNING COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE

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**ESTABLISHED** 1995 **GEOG. AREA** Most activities focus on Prince George, but also works to establish regional connections on issues of common concern. **MEMBERSHIP** 67

**MISSION** A resource working with Prince George individuals and organizations who are striving to build a dynamic community that is reflective of all who live here and where all may thrive. Responds to issues related to quality of life through facilitation, referral, education, research, and advocacy. **ACTIVITIES** Community Development Institute (2002); Prince George Social Plan (2002); three year plan to develop a social infrastructure model based on the Social Plan; evaluation of all funded SCPI projects; publications on topics of interest or concern to the community (e.g. sex trade, child exploitation, harm reduction, and quality of life issues for gays and lesbians, women and those in poverty); facilitation and mediation; administration services for new or struggling groups on a short term basis; evaluative services; resource lists and databases; public forums around contentious issues (e.g. gambling); spearheaded community initiatives such as the Downtown Revitalization Committee. Involved with: Supporting Community Partnerships Initiative Provincial Steering Committee; Sustaining Community Partnerships Initiative Provincial Steering Committee (a continuation of the National Homelessness Initiative); and Prince George Partners for a Healthy Downtown committee.

## COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE (CLEARWATER)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1996 **GEOG. AREA** Clearwater **MISSION** To partner and facilitate initiatives, and to stimulate the skills and knowledge essential for the continued growth of the Valley. **ACTIVITIES** Credit and non-credit programming; engages in a wide variety of community capacity building projects and programs. Also houses a public computer lab, a Business Support centre meeting rooms and office space.

## COMMUNITY SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL OF GREATER VICTORIA

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**ESTABLISHED** 1966 **GEOG. AREA** Capital Region of BC **MISSION** An independent, community-based organization that provides leadership to bring the community together. Our vision is a sustainable quality of life for everyone in BC's Capital Region. **ACTIVITIES** Gather and provide information of social trends; clarify the definition of social issues; influence public policy and social structures; create avenues for public participation in community problem solving; mobilize collaborative responses to social change; Quality of Life **CHALLENGE**; Community Reconstruction Project; Housing Initiatives Roundtable; Common Ground Community Mapping; and BC Transit Ticket Assistance Program

## COMOX VALLEY SOCIAL PLANNING SOCIETY

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 WEB [www.cvsocialplanning.ca](http://www.cvsocialplanning.ca)

**ESTABLISHED** 1996 **GEOG. AREA** Comox Valley Area **MISSION** Promotes social planning as a process for developing a healthy community in the Comox Valley. **ACTIVITIES** Community meetings, Comox Valley Quality of Life Report

## FERNIE WOMEN'S RESOURCE & DROP-IN CENTER

PO Box 2054, Fernie, BC V0B1M0

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**GEOG. AREA** Fernie and surrounding communities **ACTIVITIES** The Center offers social programming for community members, including parenting programs, the Better Babies program and the Strong Start Early Learning Center. Provides on-site counselling and Drop-In and Resource Centre services.

## FRASER BASIN COUNCIL (SMART PLANNING FOR COMMUNITIES)

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**ESTABLISHED** 2005 **GEOG. AREA** BC Wide **MISSION** A BC-wide collaborative initiative to assist local and First Nations governments in addressing their long-term sustainability challenges by providing resources and tools for planning socially, culturally, economically and environmentally sustainable communities. **ACTIVITIES** Calls for collaboration among organizations and teams of people working together to develop and implement integrated strategies for a sustainable future.

## GOLDEN COMMUNITY RESOURCES SOCIETY

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**ESTABLISHED** 1974 **GEOG. AREA** Golden Area **MISSION** Provides a variety of non-statutory social services. **ACTIVITIES** Employment programs; programs for children, youth and families; and community service programs.

## HORNBY ISLAND COMMUNITY ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

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**ESTABLISHED** 1996 **GEOG. AREA** Hornby Island **MISSION** Fosters a healthy, sustainable, resilient, and diversified economy on Hornby Island. **ACTIVITIES** Assists, supports and facilitates socio-economic growth; generates employment and entrepreneurial activities; improves marketing of Island products and services; promote the use of renewable Island resources; and Community Visioning.

## KITIMAT SOCIAL PLANNING PROCESS COMMITTEE

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**ESTABLISHED** 1974 **GEOG. AREA** Kitimat and Kitimaat Village **MEMBERSHIP** 80+  
**MISSION** Develops and maintains a comprehensive social planning process for the communities of Kitimat and Kitimaat Village, and develops our communities' capacity to plan for a successful future. **ACTIVITIES** Kitimat Social Planning Process

## LAKES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION (LEDA)

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**ESTABLISHED** 2006 **GEOG. AREA** he Village of Burns Lake and the Regional District Area B  
**MEMBERSHIP** 11 Board of Directors, 1 EDO, 1 proposal writer, 2 office administrators  
**MISSION** Leads, facilitates and supports community economic development practices and projects for the Governing Board.

## MAPLE RIDGE/PITT MEADOWS COMMUNITY SERVICES

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**ESTABLISHED** 1972 **GEOG. AREA** Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows **MISSION** Enables individuals and families to realize their potential and achieve a level of self-reliance.  
**ACTIVITIES** Child, youth, and family services; counselling and support services; information and referral services; victim assistance; mental health services; and senior and volunteer services.

## NELSON CARES SOCIETY (NELSON SOCIAL PLANNING ACTION NETWORKS)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1974 **GEOG. AREA** Nelson and Area **MEMBERSHIP** 75 **MISSION** Support community where all live, learn and play together. **ACTIVITIES** The Advocacy Centre, Earth Matters (community-based organization that addresses community, environmental and social issues), residential services for community living, supported employment, emergency shelter and affordable housing.

## QUESNEL CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY NETWORK

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**ESTABLISHED** 1992 **GEOG. AREA** North Cariboo (Quesnel School District Service Area) **MEMBERSHIP** Varies; all providers of services to children, youth and families, organized into service teams. **MISSION** A community organization of stakeholders that supports and encourages the well-being of children, youth, and families. **ACTIVITIES** Identify service needs in the community; collaborative development and implementation of effective services to meet the needs of children, youth, and families; maintain an active liaison with other community planning bodies and activities; social planning advisory body to City of Quesnel; recommend programs and activities to funding bodies; promote awareness of and access to services that support the mission of the network; promote protocols among network members that further community collaboration in the planning and provision of services and resources; Moving Forward Together and Community Child and Family Plan community forums; compile standard information on community services in hard copy and on website; and community plan (logic model) for services to children, youth and families. member of the regional (North, Central and South Cariboo) Social Development Working Group

## RICHMOND COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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**MISSION** Advises city council on social policies and community planning issues.

**ACTIVITIES** Education, information sharing and networking, provides support for local, community based initiatives, special tasks and projects.

## SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL (SUNSHINE COAST)

c/o Sunshine Coast Community Services Society,  
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**ESTABLISHED** 2003 **GEOG. AREA** Sunshine Coast including Town of Gibsons, District of Sechelt, Sechelt Indian Government District, and Sunshine Coast Regional District

**MEMBERSHIP** 10 **MISSION** The Social Planning Council provides coordinated community planning related to social issues using a community development approach. **ACTIVITIES** Develops new and innovative ways to coordinate planning, shares information, identifies needs and assets, increases community development skills, undertakes advocacy, fosters partnerships, and initiates and/or supports community projects. Organized Affordable Housing Forum which led to an Affordable Housing Study and establishment of an Affordable Housing Task Force. Also participated in developing a framework for MCFD community consultation.

## SOCIAL PLANNING COWICHAN

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**ESTABLISHED** 2004 **GEOG. AREA** Cowichan Valley Regional District

**MISSION** Provides leadership that brings the community together to create a sustainable quality of life for everyone in the Cowichan Region. **ACTIVITIES** Conducts research about the social health of the Cowichan Region; educates the Cowichan Region community about social planning issues; facilitates partnerships and community consensus on issues and action plans; recommends action plans and short and long term strategies to improve the quality of life in the Cowichan Region.

## SOCIAL PLANNING FOR NORTH OKANAGAN

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**GEOG.AREA** North Okanagan Regional District **MISSION** A non-profit society dedicated to improving the quality of life for residents of the North Okanagan by addressing the social, health, economic, and environmental needs of the community, activities **ACTIVITIES** Vernon and District Volunteer Bureau; Senior's Information and Resource Bureau; affordable housing; and race relations.

## SOCIAL PLANNING & RESEARCH COUNCIL OF BC (SPARC BC)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1996 **GEOG. AREA** British Columbia **MISSION** Works with communities in building a just and healthy society for all. **ACTIVITIES** Research services focused on promoting income security, community capacity building and accessibility; parking permit program for people with disabilities; community development education; SPARC BC News (quarterly publication); and reports and publications.

## SOUTH CARIBOO COMMUNITY PLANNING COUNCIL

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**ESTABLISHED** 1989 **GEOG. AREA** South Cariboo **MEMBERSHIP** 16 **MISSION** Dedicated to collaboratively coordinating resources to promote a healthy, safe, inclusive community. **ACTIVITIES** Community table (Sept. – June) for information sharing, networking, identifying gaps and weaknesses, identifying and addressing challenges.

## SOUTH PEACE COMMUNITY RESOURCES SOCIETY

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**GEOG. AREA** Peace/Liard region **MISSION** A non-profit organization that is dedicated to meeting the social, educational, and personal needs of the community by providing services that develop skills for living. **ACTIVITIES** Women's and victim's services; child, youth, and family services; community living services; and community development and specialized services.

## SMITHERS SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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**ESTABLISHED** 2000 **GEOG. AREA** Smithers, Telkwa, Moricetown & surrounding area **MISSION** Dedicated to an inclusive process that addresses the social aspects of building and maintaining a healthy, thriving community for the benefit of all its citizens. **ACTIVITIES** Annual Community Issues Forum; Youth Task Force; Community Report Card; and Quality of Life Indicators.

## SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL OF WILLIAMS LAKE AND AREA

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**ESTABLISHED** 1995 **GEOG. AREA** Williams Lake and area. **MEMBERSHIP** 20 Board Members **MISSION** To enhance, encourage and support social development in Williams Lake and area. The Council is a community-based table that operates in an open, public and consensual manner. **ACTIVITIES** Forum for the public and community at large to discuss concerns and unmet needs; facilitates cooperation and communication among those involved in social planning and economic development; assists in building community capacity and planning for present and future well-being of the community; advises City Council on social development and quality of life issues; informs and educates the community about social issues; most recent project is a Community Vitality Assessment in partnership with the City of Williams Lake.

## SOCIETY FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (TRI-CITIES AREA)

2601 Lougheed Hwy, Fernwood Lodge, Holly Drive, Coquitlam, BC V3C 4J0

Cathy Burpee CHAIR, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Phone: (604) 777-2394

WEB [www.societyforcommunitydevelopment.com](http://www.societyforcommunitydevelopment.com)

**ESTABLISHED** 1988 **GEOG. AREA** Anmore, Belcarra, Coquitlam, Port Coquitlam & Port Moody

**MEMBERSHIP** 87 **MISSION** To provide leadership and support in helping citizens identify and address community issues and to promote the development of a healthy community.

**ACTIVITIES** Current activities focus on housing and poverty.

## SOOKE CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATION OF SERVICE AGENCIES

101—2145 Townsend Road, Sooke, BC V0S 1N0

Kim Hodgson MEMBER

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**ESTABLISHED** 2002 **GEOG. AREA** Sooke area, west of Victoria, from Metchosin to Port

Renfrew. **MEMBERSHIP** 9 agencies in the co-op **MISSION** Promotes cooperation and collaboration among agencies and organizations to further enhance the quality of

community for children, youth, and families. We are guided by a vision of healthy communities. **ACTIVITIES** 2 preschool groups; before and after school care; Sooke Options for Community Living Association; counselling; children and family services; and clothing exchange.

## SQUAMISH SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL

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**MISSION** Considers the community's overall social priorities, needs, and coordinates the actions within Squamish in order to create a strategic plan that will focus on children and youth, safety and security, housing, employment, poverty, environment and health, and cultural diversity.

## STORYTELLER'S FOUNDATION

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**ESTABLISHED** 1995 **MISSION** Fosters personal and political mobilization through the development of an active citizenry so that the Upper Skeena and Gitksan nation can

further define its social and economic destiny. **ACTIVITIES** Rural Roots community learning network; socio-cultural animation; program development and peer learning; analysis and research; publishing and communication; youth work

## SUMMIT COMMUNITY SERVICES SOCIETY

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**ESTABLISHED** 1973 **GEOG. AREA** Cranbrook, Kimberly & area **MEMBERSHIP** 50 **MISSION** Promotes community well-being by providing a continuum of quality, accessible client-centered support and intervention services in a respectful manner **ACTIVITIES** Family, Child/Youth, Sexual Abuse Intervention, and Parent/Teen Counselling, School/Family Support Services, Community School/Family Support Services, Community Intervention Services, Women's Support Services, Police-Based Victim Services, Special Services to Children, Infant/Toddler, 3-5 Year Old, and After School Childcare Centres.

## SURREY VIBRANT COMMUNITIES

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**MISSION** Encourages and facilitates collaborative efforts to reduce poverty and address poverty-related issues. **ACTIVITIES** Increases understanding of poverty and poverty reduction best practices through research and evaluation; demonstrates the benefits of working within a community economic development framework; increases economic security through income and asset building; develops and implements a community learning plan

## TERRACE ANTI-POVERTY GROUP SOCIETY

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**ESTABLISHED** 1988 **GEOG. AREA** Terrace, Prince Rupert, Kitimat, and Smithers and surrounding areas **MISSION** Ensure the fair and equitable treatment of all people, regardless of income level, social status, or intellectual and physical ability. **ACTIVITIES** Advocacy (welfare and tenancy); assistance with disability applications and government forms and applications; use of office equipment; Christmas Tree Campaign; Free Store; community garden; research around issues affecting client group; and Community Development class (North West Community College) Terrace Dental Access Fund and daily food from Terrace Food Share Program

## WHITE VALLEY COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

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**ESTABLISHED** 1989 **GEOG. AREA** Lumby, Mable Lake, Whitevale, Trinity Valley, Lavington & Cherryville **MISSION** Promotes and supports the health and well being of our community by: creating opportunities, providing assistance, respecting diversity, and building partnerships through positive, caring, responsive action. **ACTIVITIES** An accessible, comprehensive resource centre for people in need of information and assistance. Programs include counselling, parenting, drug and alcohol prevention, peer support as well as support and services for young moms, youth, seniors, parents, victims of family violence and individuals seeking volunteer opportunities. Also offers a referral service and resource library.

## UNITED WAY OF THE FRASER VALLEY

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**ESTABLISHED** 1985 **GEOG. AREA** Fraser Valley East (Aldergrove, Abbotsford, Chilliwack, Hope, Boston Bar, Agassiz-Harrison, Kent, Mission) **MEMBERSHIP** 34 agencies, 12 individuals **MISSION** Improve social conditions in the Fraser Valley **ACTIVITIES** Vibrant Abbotsford (poverty reduction), Success by 6, Fraser Valley Childcare coalition, Fraser Valley Housing Network Initiative, Fraser Valley Volunteer Support Network, Member Agency Network.





# MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES



THIS SECTION CONTAINS a list of citizen's advisory committees working with municipal governments in BC. For further information on local social planning and social development initiatives please consult these publications:

Net Work Book (Union of BC Municipalities): Lists municipal staff including social planners. Available at most public libraries or can be ordered on-line at:  
www.civicnet.bc.ca

Guide to Aboriginal Organizations & Services in British Columbia (Government of BC): This publication lists all the First Nation and Métis organizations in BC, including governments. Available on-line at: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/arr/services/guide.html>

### **CITY OF ABBOTSFORD (ABBOTSFORD SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ASDAC))**

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**ESTABLISHED** 2005 **DESCRIPTION** Provides advice to Council on social issues, and helps guide the City's social planning function.

### **CITY OF BURNABY (SOCIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE)**

4949 Canada Way, Burnaby BC, V5G 1M2

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WEB [www.burnaby.ca](http://www.burnaby.ca)

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### **CITY OF DAWSON CREEK CORPORATE PLANNING & SUSTAINABILITY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

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### **CORPORATION OF DELTA COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

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## CITY OF KAMLOOPS (SOCIAL PLANNING COUNCIL)

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**ESTABLISHED** 1993 **DESCRIPTION** Acts in an advisory capacity to City Council on social issues in the community. Makes recommendations on a wide variety of social concerns, planning issues and helps develop municipal strategies to meet community social needs.

## CITY OF KELOWNA (HOUSING COMMITTEE)

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**DESCRIPTION** Addresses community and social needs in the areas of affordable housing, crime prevention, employment, youth, seniors and the mobility-challenged.

## TOWNSHIP OF LANGLEY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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**DESCRIPTION** The Sustainability Charter presents a vision of the community that meets the social/cultural, economic, and environmental needs of current residents while ensuring that those needs can continue to be met for future residents.

## CITY OF LANGLEY

20399 Douglas Crescent, Langley BC, V3A 4B3

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**DESCRIPTION** First social plan (presented to City Council on February 11, 2008) identifies existing City initiatives and contributions and presents recommendations for ten priority subject areas.

**DISTRICT OF MAPLE RIDGE  
(SOCIAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC))**  
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**DESCRIPTION** Advises Municipal Council on matters relating to social planning and the social needs, social well-being, and social development of the community.

**CITY OF NANAIMO (SOCIAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE)**  
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**DESCRIPTION** In Nanaimo, social planning involves the assessment of community needs, building community cooperation, providing support to citizen participation, and encouraging the community to become active in social issues.

**CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER  
(COMMUNITY & SOCIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE)**  
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WEB [www.newwestcity.ca](http://www.newwestcity.ca)

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**DESCRIPTION** The role of the Community Social Issues Committee is to promote social policies and community programs which contribute to the general health, welfare, and quality of life of the residents of New Westminster

**CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER (SOCIAL PLANNING ADVISORY  
COMMITTEE (SPAC))**  
141 West 14th Street, North Vancouver, BC V7M 1H9

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**DESCRIPTION** Advises City Council on broad social, cultural and ethnic concerns that affect residents of the City. Also makes recommendations regarding the planning and development of municipal strategies to meet community social needs. The SPAC reviews applications for community grants and the Lower Lonsdale Legacy Fund, and makes recommendations to City Council on the disbursement of grant monies.

## **CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER (COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Works with staff to address municipal policy as it relates to a range of social issues and areas of concern including: children and youth, seniors, immigrants, affordable housing, homelessness, gambling and addiction.

## **CITY OF POWELL RIVER**

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**WEB** [www.powellriver.ca](http://www.powellriver.ca)

## **CITY OF REVELSTOKE (REVELSTOKE COMMUNITY SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Comprised of community social sector professionals, business representatives, community members and City Councillors. Contribute to achieving the Community Vision by supporting all citizens through a responsible and caring social system.

## **CITY OF RICHMOND (SOCIAL POLICY & PLANNING)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Works with staff to make recommendations to Council regarding civic policy as it relates to a range of social issues and areas of concern, including seniors, childcare, multicultural relations, gambling and similar topics.

**CITY OF SALMON ARM (SOCIAL ISSUES COMMITTEE)**

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**DISTRICT OF SAANICH (HEALTHY SAANICH ADVISORY COMMITTEE)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Promotes effective communication, engagement and collaboration between the Municipality and its citizens. Advises Council and recommends policies to support a healthier and more livable community

**CITY OF SURREY (SOCIAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE)**

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Judy Villeneuve CHAIR

WEB [www.surrey.ca](http://www.surrey.ca)

**DESCRIPTION** Includes Parks, Recreation, Arts and Culture Services as well a broad range of activities undertaken by the City in support of the social well being of the City's citizens.

**CITY OF VANCOUVER (SOCIAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Works with community groups and other civic departments to address critical social issues facing the city.

## **CITY OF VICTORIA (SOCIAL PLANNING & HOUSING COMMITTEE)**

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**DESCRIPTION** Coordinates and leads efforts to improve and enhance the social and economic health of our community; working to create a City that is safe, vibrant and people-centered.

## **DISTRICT OF WEST VANCOUVER (COMMUNITY PLANNING)**

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## **CITY OF WHITE ROCK (SOCIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE)**

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