

Attachment 2

2023 Snap Shots of Success

Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: Multicultural Community Arts and Crafts

Name of Organization: Culture Chats BC Association

Grant Amount: \$1800

Date of Project or Event: Feb 2023 till June 2023

Location: Centennial Community Center, Anvil Center, River market

Event Details:

The project offered training for immigrant and local community artists to develop their crafts with the use of recycled materials. It was an opportunity for some training, networking and working together. It promoted use of recycled materials and upcycled materials in creating the arts where possible. The use of bright colors and creations such as the sun catcher reflected the theme of overcoming the challenging times during Covid 19

The crafts created during the project were displayed on March 25th at the Anvil Center and also at the River Market on June 24th. This was an opportunity to experience selling of the crafts. It was a learning experience to visit the stalls of other artists at the River Market and this has provided insights into crafts and décor items and jewelry that could be created in future projects of this nature



INVITATION INTERCULTURAL ARTS CELEBRATION



Call for Participants

Develop your skills and talents at our workshops:

- Attend workshops to work on your crafts and traditional arts
- Training and support is provided
- Free to participate

Contact/Registration/Enquiries: culturechats@gmail.com

Free Workshops

Dates:

Feb 12: 3:00 to 5:00 pm
Feb 18: 9:30 am to 11:00 am
Feb 26: 3:00 to 5:00 pm
March 4: 10 am to 12 noon

Location:

Centennial Community Centre,
65 E Sixth Ave, New Westminster,
BC V3L 4G6 (Brook Room)

• Work with a Professional Instructor

• Limited Spots Available



Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: Coastal Dance Festival

Name of Organization: Dancers of Damelahamid


Grant Amount: \$5,000

Date of Project or Event: March 2-5, 2023

Location: Anvil Centre

Event Details:

We welcomed Indigenous artists from the Northwest Coast, across Canada, the U.S. and Australia and New Zealand to share their artistic practices and cultural knowledge. Our programming provided a platform for cultural sharing to deepen our understanding of our festival artists' histories and sources of inspiration, in celebration of the ongoing cultural revitalization and resiliency of so many communities around the world. We were honoured for the opportunity to receive this ancestral knowledge from artists close to home and globally.



COASTAL DANCE FESTIVAL

Celebrating 16 Years of Indigenous Performance

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

6:30 PM ARTIST SHARING - Embodying Ancestral Lands @Anvil Theatre (FREE)
Jo Clancy and Rosie Te Rauwhahea Belvie

8:00 PM SIGNATURE EVENING PERFORMANCE @Anvil Theatre (ticketsNW.ca / 604-521-5050)
Paunakulut, Jessica McMann, Wagana Aboriginal Dancers, and Rosie Te Rauwhahea Belvie

FRIDAY, MARCH 3

6:30 PM ARTIST SHARING - Language As An Embodied Practice @Anvil Theatre (FREE)
Mique'l Dangelil and Pawi Alfred

8:00 PM SIGNATURE EVENING PERFORMANCE @Anvil Theatre (ticketsNW.ca / 604-521-5050)
Spakerus Solem, Dancers of Damelahamid, 'Yaya'winuzgw, and Rainbow Creek

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

1:00 - 4:00 PM FESTIVAL STAGE @Anvil Ballroom (BY DONATION)

<i>Chesha7 ly Iha Mens</i>	<i>Git Hoan</i>
<i>Dakthia Khwáan</i>	<i>'Yaya'winuzgw</i>
<i>Adam Daigneault</i>	<i>Wagana Aboriginal Dancers</i>
<i>Paunakulut</i>	

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

1:00 - 4:00 PM FESTIVAL STAGE @Anvil Ballroom (BY DONATION)

<i>Xivelmexw Shawexwo:s</i>	<i>Rosie Te Rauwhahea Belvie</i>
<i>Aysha Alfred</i>	<i>Git Hayetok</i>
<i>Dakthia Khwáan</i>	<i>Chinook Song Catchers</i>
<i>Dancers of Damelahamid</i>	



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Sukh Sagar Nagar Kirtan 2023
Name of Organization: Sukh Sagar Gurdwara (Khalsa Diwan Society, NW)
Grant Amount: \$30,812 – City Services
Date of Project or Event: June 25, 2023
Location: Queensborough Community Centre/Queensborough Middle School

Event Details:

This was the 14th annual Nagar Kirtan, to take place in Queensborough.

The event was a gathering of the community to celebrate the life of 5th Sikh Guru Arjan Dev Ji. There were activities for all, free food (over 20 vendors providing free food) and close to 40,000 free meals served.

The even started with a procession from Sukh Sagar Gurdwara to Queensborough Middle School. At the school there were singing of hymns, face painting for kids, information booths and as mentioned free food vendors.

The event show cased Sukh Sagar's Gurdwara's ability to unite the community, bring awareness to outside community of the big heart our small community of Queensborough has



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Insurance for the Games Club

Name of Organization: Friendship Club Gaming

Grant Amount: \$590

Date of Project or Event: Ongoing (every Sunday, 12-6pm)

Location: New West River Market, 2nd floor

Event Details:

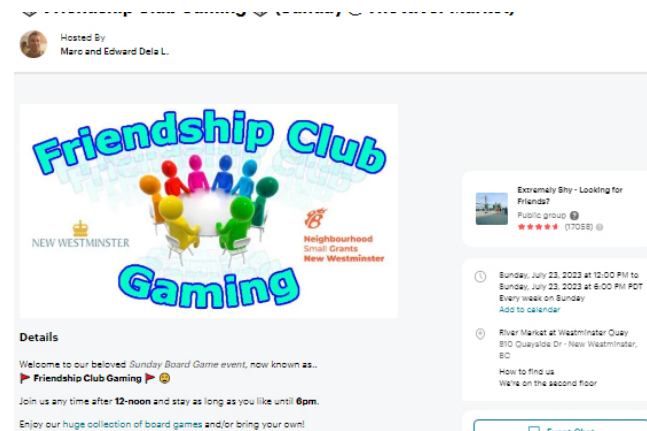
This is an ongoing weekly, (Sundays), event where board games are played on the 2nd floor of the River Market.

All board games are provided (the River Market has graciously allowed me to keep all board games there).

Folks can bring their own if they wish.

There have also been, on a few occasions, board game developers who joined us to test their board games before production.

Attendees have always left with a smile on their face. 😊



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: 2023 MAC Art Show

Name of Organization: My Artist's Corner Society, BC

Grant Amount: \$2,000.00

Date of Project or Event: May 13, 2023

Location: Anvil Centre

Event Details:

The main benefit to the Community is the opportunity to interact with people living with mental health issues when the artists are showcasing their abilities rather than disabilities and helping to combat stigma and discrimination. The anticipated community attendance was to be 100 to 250 people with actual attendance amounting to 75 to 100 people. Within the program we will have approximately 25 artists participating with actual participation sitting at 14 artists. Shows help people build confidence, add to their experiences in art display and presentation, and affirm their standing in the Community.



Spring Art Show

MAY 13TH * 10 AM - 4 PM

ANVIL CENTRE

777 Columbia Street, New Westminister

Come support the artists of My Artist's Corner

FREE ADMISSION

MAC is a Charity that supports Artists living with mental health issues.



VISIT OUR WEBSITE
MYARTISTSCORNER.CA



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: New West Farmers Market

Name of Organization: New West Farmers Market Society

Grant Amount: \$17,000 + \$5417 in city services
March to November 2023 + Holiday

Date of Project or Event: Market (December 9+10, 2023)

Location: Tipperary Park

Event Details:

The New West Farmers Market is a weekly outdoor market from March to November that features farm-fresh produce, plants, quality crafts from local artists and artisans, prepared foods, community information, live music, workshops, children's activities, and more.

We proud to be a part of the BC Association of Farmers Markets' Nutrition Coupon Program which has allowed hundreds of low-income families, expectant parents, and seniors in New West to access tens of thousands of dollars of free fresh produce, protein and other staples this year (and all the previous years we have taken part).

During the school summer break NWFM runs Sprout Club, a free children's program that offers activities that focus on the environment, sustainability, and food systems.

Mid-December, we host a Holiday Market for a single weekend that has room for 90 vendors, features 6-8 local live musicians and activities for children and families. Again, this year, 6 spots are set aside for our Market Access Program which covers the costs and supports 6 historically marginalized vendors come to market for the first time.

The market is proud to be a community builder, a small business incubator, an economic activator, and a cornerstone of New Westminster culture.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Bench Renewal Project

Name of Organization: New Westminster Lawn Bowling Club

Grant Amount: \$4500.00

Date of Project or Event:

Location: 710 Eighth St New Westminster

Event Details:

New benches were purchased to provide respite for players and observers. The benches without awnings were delivered and installed. Benches with awnings (see photo) are purchased for delivery September, 2023.



Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: On Your Block Festival

Name of Organization: Odihi

Grant Amount: 3750

Date of Project or Event: July 8th 2023

Location: Tipperary Park

Event Details:

On Your Block is a multicultural festival that is about bringing communities together to promote unity, celebration, and togetherness. Embracing ourselves and the diverse talents and cultures within our communities. It will also be about building new friendships as well as reconnecting and nurturing old ones. There will be plenty of food trucks, live music, entertainment, local vendors, arts and crafts, and activities for everyone to enjoy.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Queensborough Children's Festival

Name of Organization: Queensborough Special Programs

Grant Amount: \$3900 plus \$2818 of City Services

Date of Project or Event: June 17, 2023

Location: Queensborough Community Centre

Event Details:

Community event aimed for local families with entertainment, activities, community booths and food.



SATURDAY, JUNE 17
11:00-2:00



QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE
OUTDOOR STAGE AND FIELD

(920 Ewen Ave., New Westminster)

Due to limited parking spaces,
we encourage you to walk or use public transit.

ENTERTAINMENT
Music with Marnie,
Dance by Astou,
and a surprise
musical guest!

ACTIVITIES
Vancouver Circus School,
Foolish Operations
- Dance Workshop,
"Meet Frank"
Reading by Author Mavis Lui
and More!

FOOD
BBQ by Knights of
Columbus,
Mom's Grilled Cheese
Sandwiches,
Queensborough
Community Centre Cafe

SPECIAL THANKS TO:
Anna Smith RE/MAX Crest Realty,
Coast Capital Savings &
City of New Westminster



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Name of Project or Event: Summer Sounds Concert Series

Name of Organization: Queensborough Special Program Committee

Grant Amount: 1324

Date of Project or Event: July 20 ND Aug 24 2023

Location: Queensborough Community Centre

Event Details:

This year we found it challenging to attract appropriate talent within our budget. Even with increasing our budget for our last event it did not result in the number of attendees that we had anticipated.

The number of free concerts and events that were occurring in the Metro Vancouver area that were free to attend made it a very competitive environment.

We advertised in both community newspapers, on social media and posters within the community. Still the attendance was small.

Our committee will have a serious discuss about hosting this type of event next year.



THE QUEENSBOROUGH SPECIAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE
&
THE CITY OF NEW WESTMINSTER PRESENTS:

Summer Sounds Concert Series

Akhil Jobanputra's Indian Classical Music Ensemble



Mohan Bhide on Harmonium



Akhil Jobanputra - Vocalist



Hriday Buddhdev on Tabla

Thursday - August 24, 2023 - 6 PM
QUEENSBOROUGH COMMUNITY CENTRE BANDSHELL
920 EWEN AVE



Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: 2022/23 Theatre Season

Name of Organization: The Royal Canadian Theatre Company

Grant Amount: \$5000

Date of Project or Event: October 2022 to April 2023

Location: Anvil Theatre & Massey Theatre

Event Details:

Our three productions (as part of the season) were very successful.

Ghost of a Chance sold nearly 300 tickets and was well received, especially the ghostly set design.

The Snow Queen: A Frozen Adventure also saw lots of love from families all across New Westminster. We sold over 650+ tickets and saw many returning audience members from previous years.

The Last of the Red-Hot Lovers, although an older show, was well received with 260+ tickets sold. The set design was much appreciated by the audience as well as the acting was commented on more than once as fantastic.

We would mark this season as a success as we have a new Artistic Director and Production Manager behind the scenes and were able to run a theatre season without having to cancel any of the productions or shows. We would also mark the audience numbers as good but would like to aim for 400 in our Spring and Fall productions. These shows were also more financially successful than past years, by breaking even instead of losing money.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Hyack Camp

Name of Organization: 12th New Westminster Scout Group

Grant Amount: \$1,866.00 (in kind services)

Date of Project or Event: 26-28 May 2022

Location: Queen's Park

Event Details:

Hyack Camp is an annual Scout Camp held in Queen's Park, organized and run by the Venturers of the 12th New Westminster Scout Group (15-17 year olds). This year we had 14 different Scout Groups and over 220 people camping amongst the trees adjacent to the Queen's Park South Field to celebrate the 36th annual camp.

We also participate in, and hold signs for, the Hyack Parade.

The City's support by providing in-kind services for things such as the park permit, garbage/recycling bins, providing a water source, sand as a base for the campfire, and tables and chairs from the Arena are essential to the success of the camp and are very much appreciated.

In Scouting tradition, we took only photos and left only footprints, leaving the park in better shape than when we arrived.

Part of the grant was also the use of the bandshell our Kub Kar Rally, and the City Works yard for our bottle drive. Both of which were perfect locations for us



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Aaron Johnson Memorial Cup

Name of Organization: Shasta Trampoline Club Booster Society

Grant Amount: \$2000

Date of Project or Event: February 18 – 20, 2023

Location: Cameron Recreation Complex

Event Details:

The 2023 AJM was the first competition that could be held fully in person after the pandemic with athletes coming from all over BC, including Alberta. Over 200 athletes came and competed!

The event spanned over 3 days showcasing all levels of athletes, from newly joined Provincial to National athletes. For the National athletes, this First Cup competition is an opportunity to gain National ranking giving them a chance to get funding and represent Canada in future competitions. With over 500 spectators watching the competition and participating in our raffle and silent auction our fundraising goals were accomplished.

Shasta organizes this meet from paying judges, First Aid and videographers, organizing hospitality, complying with all Gym BC standards and this year, integrating a brand-new software program that all competitions going forward would use. Having athletes see and compete in person creates bonds that will continue to grow and develop as these athletes continue the sport.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event:

Uptown Business Association of New

Name of Organization: Westminster

Grant Amount: 15,000.00

Date of Project or Event: July 15, 2023

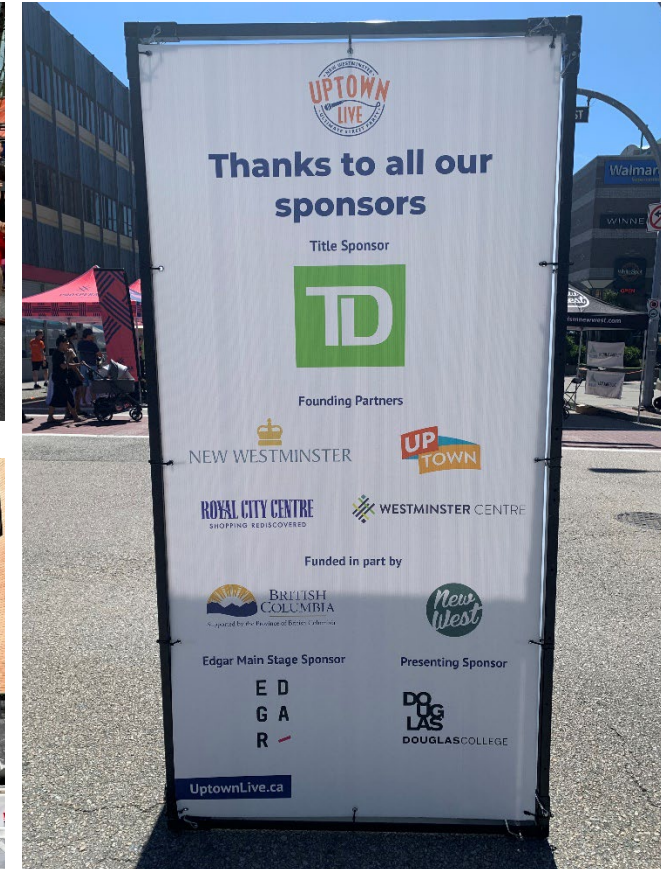
Location: Sixth Avenue & Sixth Street – Uptown Business Area

Event Details:

TD Uptown Live is New Westminster's Ultimate Street Party. This unique and diverse event was launched in 2012 and has grown in size and capacity each year. Over the past decade, Uptown Live has earned a well-deserved reputation for curating lineups that showcase top emerging talent including both bands and individual artists. To date, Uptown Live stages have opened opportunities for more than 350 BC-based performers in a wide variety of musical genres.

One of the biggest attractions at Uptown Live is the food. Each year, more than 25 top Vancouver area food trucks participate in Uptown Live, offering a wide range of multicultural food selections. Uptown Live includes an amazing local Artisan Market which brings together more than 50 of the best artisans in BC.

This year, Uptown Live featured a large Kids' Zone one full block in length. There were a variety of kid-focused activities, interactive games, an inflatable slide, sandbox and much more.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Swingin' in the Park (originally called "Swing in the City" in our grant application)

Name of Organization: Uptown Swing Collective

Grant Amount: \$5000*

Date of Project or Event: July 8 & August 12

Location: Moody Park – South Field behind Century House

Event Details:

Grab your picnic blanket and join the Uptown Swing Collective, in partnership with the City of New Westminster, for a FREE afternoon of live jazz and dancing in the park!

July 8 - the Whitridge Brothers

August 12 - the Casey Thomas-Burns Swing Band

You will find us behind Century House on the South Field.

We will have live music from 4pm until 6pm with a beginner swing dance lesson on the band break (around 4:45) and you don't need a partner or any dance experience to join us.

Bring your dinner! Bring your friends! Everyone is welcome.

**Funds not used for these two events were used to purchase equipment and to participate in the New West Pride Street Festival.*



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: 2022/23 VCMS Chamber Music Series Program: New Westminster Series

Name of Organization: Vancouver Chamber Music Society

Grant Amount: \$7,500

Date of Project or Event: October 16, 2022 to May 28, 2023

Location: Anvil Centre Theatre

Event Details:

The Vancouver Chamber Music Society successfully presented five live concerts in collaboration with the Anvil Centre. The program provided affordable access to high-calibre chamber music directly to over 400 attendees in New Westminster and the surrounding communities.

October 16, 2022 – Henry Kramer, Yoojin Jang, & Matthew Zalkind;
Attendance: 32

November 27, 2022 – Vancouver Cello Quartet; Attendance: 133

January 29, 2023 - Archytas Ensemble; Attendance: 92

March 19, 2023 – Bion Tsang and Wendy Chen; Attendance: 84

May 28, 2023 – Jane Coop and Seattle Symphony Players;
Attendance: 71



A promotional poster for a concert titled 'THE BLUE ROCK SESSIONS' held on March 19, 2023, at 3:00 PM at the Anvil Theatre in New Westminster. The poster features a blue background with a red semi-circle at the bottom. It lists the performers Bion Tsang and Wendy Chen. A list of composers and works is shown on the right side, including Prokofiev, Debussy, and Chopin. The poster also includes the phone number 604.521.5050 and the website www.ticketsnw.ca. Logos for sponsors like creativebc, British Columbia, and Metro Vancouver are at the bottom.

Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: 12th Street Fest New West

Name of Organization: West End Business Association

Grant Amount: 7200

Date of Project or Event: 23 July 2023

Location: 12th Street between 6th Avenue and 8th Avenue

Event Details:

Stretching from 6th Avenue, up 12th Street, to 8th Avenue. The 12th Street Fest New West Filled the venue with 3 stages of top notch New Westminster and Lower Mainland musicians, street dancers and taekwondo demonstration.

Over 40 artisan vendors and another 20 commercial vendors and exhibitors filled the streets. 2 car dealerships had appealing displays, one featuring 4 of its latest models, and the other with an E-Mustang, a “Drive Your Own Ford” Video simulator in a van, and a Lego children’s activity center.

The 12th Street restaurants were much better prepared this year with the diverse offerings of 12th Street represented by Filipino, Balkan, Mediterranean, Vietnamese, and Lebanese options. Traditional Pub fare, deserts, and Canadian diner fare filled the gaps.

Roving Happyland Mascots, The Family Place, a Vintage bus, and the NWFD ATV were all popular with the Children.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: English Made Easy, in Nature

Name of Organization: Lower Mainland Purpose Society

Grant Amount: \$3,250 in cash and \$1,386 for City Services

Date of Project or Event: January- December, 2023

Location: Queen's Park, Moody Park, Ryall Park and at Purpose

Event Details:

Program that welcomes families to learn and practice English language skills in a welcoming, inclusive environment. EME is offered outdoors during the fall, spring and summer months and moved indoors for the winter.

Welcomes adults/caregivers and their children, aged birth – 6 years.

In addition to English language learning, we explore nature, offer arts and crafts, circle time (with songs and stories), and much more!

Healthy snacks are provided.

Diversity of EME:

- Languages spoken: Mandarin, Cantonese, Tagalog, Portuguese, French, Japanese, Vietnamese and Spanish.
- Country of Origin: Taiwan, China, Philippines, Hong Kong, Japan, Eritrea, Iran, Columbia, Brazil, Ukraine, and Vietnam.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: New Westminster Family Place Partnership Grant

Name of Organization: New Westminster Family Place

Grant Amount: \$13,000

Date of Project or Event: 2022

Location: Many locations around New West

Event Details:

New West Family Place is a second home for families in our community. Since 1989, we have been providing essential connections, services and support that empowers families to grow and thrive, at absolutely no cost to them.

Families with young children need connection, support, and care in order to thrive. New West Family Place provides open, inclusive and welcoming programming for children, caregivers, and community members to make New West a city that works for families, for today and for the future.

We are so lucky the funding from the City of New West supports us to bring FAMILY PLACE TO THE STREETS and deliver programming all over our community – we are able to deliver at St. Barnabas, at 12th Street Festival, at Fridays on Front, at New West Pride, at Car Free Day, and utilizing so many parks around New West.



July 2022 calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
June 27 Drop ins @ Massey 9:30-11:30 AM & Qayqayt 9:30-12:30 PM	28 Drop in @ Qayqayt 9:30 AM-12:30 PM Outdoor Drop in @ Moody Park 9:30-11:30 AM	29 Drop in @ Massey 9:30-11:30 AM Baby Rhythm & Rhyme @ Qayqayt 12:30-1:30 PM	30 Qayqayt drop in is CLOSED today Outdoor Drop in @ Tipperary Park Farmers Market 3:00-6:00 PM	1 CLOSED for CANADA DAY	On Your Block Multicultural Festival Drop in @ Tipperary Pa
4 Family Place is CLOSED	5 Outdoor Drop in @ Moody Park 9:30-12:30	6 Outdoor Drop in @ Moody Park 9:30-12:30	7 Indoor Drop in @ Qayqayt Gym 9:30 - 12:30 Outdoor Drop in @ Tipperary Park Farmers Market 3:00-6:00 PM	8 Outdoor Drop in @ Moody Park 9:30-12:30 Fridays on Front Drop in Family Zone 5:00-9:00 PM	
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Family Place programming is designed for all caregivers & children aged 0-6
 For more information on our drop-ins and registered programs contact: August

Snapshot of Success



Canadian Mental Health Association
Vancouver-Fraser
Mental health for all

Name of Project or Event: CMHA-VF Volunteer Program

Name of Organization: Canadian Mental Health Association – Vancouver Fraser

Grant Amount: \$7,500 per year (multi)

Date of Project or Event: April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024

Location: NW Office #233, 610 – 6th St., NW, BC V3L 3C2 and
Treasure Chest Thrift Store – 435 - 6th St., NW, BC V3L 3B1



Event Details:

Treasure Chest Thrift Store - We are back in full throttle as we venture past the challenging memories of the past 3 years. Our post pandemic numbers in recruiting and retaining volunteers, many of which are 'lived experience' within the NW community, have surpassed last year's monthly average of 16 volunteers to 20-25 resulting in a 25% increase. Management provides training, comfort and engagement, bringing our volunteers positive change and hope for the future!

CMHA-VF's **BounceBack Program**, located in the Royal City Centre Mall, is a program designed to manage stress, anxiety and depression in youth and adults. Volunteers are given the opportunity to assist with admin activities and Wellness Fairs or events such as the most successful NW Pride Festival attended by 40,000 residents this past summer.

Volunteer Stewardship – Engagement and Acknowledgement are celebrated annually through various touch points using zoom, What's App, in-person visits from Leadership and the hosting of group gatherings on special occasions recognizing their achievements. Volunteer engagement is meaningful work and continues to give our volunteers of all ages, diversity and mental health status, a sense of purpose and belonging within the community.

*We would like to express our sincere thanks to our most valued funder; the **City of New Westminister** and to our **Community Partners**; Local Divisions of Family Practice, WorkBC, Hospitals, Fraser Health, and VCH Community Services for supporting our CMHA-VF Volunteer Program serving children, youth and adults who are impacted with mental health.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Support Your Community! Shop - Donate - Volunteer

The Treasure Chest Thrift Store, located in the heart of Uptown New Westminister, serves the community by providing an assortment of low-priced, good quality clothing, homeware, books, antiques and specialty items.

All proceeds support the recovery process of individuals living with mental health challenges.



Our CMHA-VF Volunteers

- Promote wellness
- Learn about mental health
- Meet new people
- Service those in need
- Help reduce the stigma associated with mental illness

Donations

We accept gently used items anytime during business hours (7 days/week, 10 am to 4 pm).
Regretfully, we **do not accept furniture, mattresses, computers, TV's, large appliances though we welcome crutches, walkers or any medical aids.*



Treasure Chest Thrift Store | 435 Sixth Street, New Westminister | Phone 236-317-3359
To Apply - vancouver.fraser.cmha.bc.ca/volunteer/

Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Big Brothers Community Mentoring Program

Name of Organization: Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver

Grant Amount: \$4600

Date of Project or Event: August 2022 - July 2023

Location: We serve children across all of the Lower Mainland.

Event Details:

The Big Brothers Community Mentoring Program matches adult male-identifying volunteers with male-identifying children and youth aged 7-17 who need an additional positive male role model in their lives. Mentors (also known as 'Bigs') and Mentees (also known as 'Littles') spend 2-4 hours each week doing a wide range of low-cost fun activities together. Littles can remain matched in the program until they graduate high school.

During August 2022 to July 2023, we served 7 children through our Community Mentoring Program in the City of New Westminster.



BIG BROTHERS MENTORING	MENTORING WITH MATH	GAME ON! MENTORING	IN-SCHOOL MENTORING
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:1 supportive mentoring • Mentor boys, trans, and gender-diverse youth ages 7-17 • Build friendship through sharing experiences and spending time together • 2-4 hours/week • 1 year commitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:1 or 1-2 supportive mentoring in a group setting • Mentor girls, boys, trans, and gender-diverse students grades 3-7 • Connect through learning and help build math skills • 90 minutes/week • 10 week commitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group mentoring • Mentor boys, trans, and gender-diverse youth grades 4-7 • Focus on healthy lifestyle choices and active play • 90 minutes/week • 8 week commitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1:1 supportive mentoring • Mentor girls, boys, trans, and gender-diverse students grades 1-7 • Build a connection through play based activities • 1 hour/week, during the school year
<p>OUR BIG BROTHERS ARE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18+ Male, trans, and gender-diverse individuals 	<p>OUR MATH MENTORS ARE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18+ Female, male, trans, and gender-diverse individuals 	<p>OUR GROUP MENTORS ARE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18+ Male, trans, and gender-diverse individuals 	<p>OUR BIG BUDDIES ARE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18+ Female, male, trans, and gender-diverse individuals

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT VOLUNTEERING, SCAN OR CONTACT:



www.BigBrothersVancouver.com
Email: volunteer@bbgvf.com
Phone: 604-876-2447



Snapshot of Success



FAMILY SERVICES
of Greater Vancouver

Name of Project or Event: Financial Empowerment

Name of Organization: Family Services of Greater Vancouver

Grant Amount: \$35,000 Organizational Grant

Date of Project or Event: Ongoing social services program

Location: Virtual and in-person services

Event Details:

FSGV's Financial Empowerment program offers free 1:1 financial coaching sessions and public workshops. With the City of New Westminster's support, FSGV's Financial Empowerment program engaged 223 residents of New Westminster with financial literacy workshops and private financial coaching sessions between January and July 2023.

1:1 financial coaching clients:

We served 9 coaching clients that resulted in 10, 2-hour coaching sessions. Some came to us for support in dealing with debt, accessing benefits, how to manage their money when employment has been affected, navigating CRA, and learning to file taxes. The support resulted in about \$19823.20 dollars in provincial and federal benefits that include; Canada Child Tax Benefit and BC Family benefit, GST/HST tax Credit, BC Climate action incentive, and refund on taxes. Some clients create a plan to face mortgage rate increases and plan to find work. We made community service referrals to Work BC, Settlement services for newcomers.

Workshops:

We offered 22 workshops in the first half of the calendar year and had 214 participants. Topics included Tax Basics and how to file, saving and investing, budgeting, setting financial goals, credit cards, how to read your paystub, surviving thru difficult times, and RESPs.

Workshop partners:

Immigrants Services Society in New West (31 participants)

Pacific Community Resource Society (24 participants)

YWCA New West (8 participants)

FSGV- financial Empowerment (38 participants)

New Westminster Welcome Centre (10 participants)

Project Parent New Westminster (17 participants)

BFL- New West (42 participants)

S.U.C.C.E.S.S- LINC (14 participants)

Inasmuch (10 participants)

New Westminster Public Library (15 participants)

Elizabeth Fry New West (5 participants)

Client Feedback:

I feel as though help is available when I need it, to look at going back to school and financing it. It does not feel as daunting knowing that there is help.

I didn't realize there were so many benefits and so many scenarios where benefits might be available.

I didn't know about child RESPs. This workshop made me aware that how should save money for my child's future.

Snapshot of Success



FAMILY SERVICES
of Greater Vancouver

Name of Project or Event: Vital Connections Seniors Counselling

Name of Organization: Family Services of Greater Vancouver

Grant Amount: \$35,000 Organization Grant

Date of Project or Event: Ongoing social services program

Location: 200 – 601 6th Street, New Westminster, BC V3L 3C1

Event Details:

The Vital Connections program provides an important service in the community for older adults who are feeling isolated, dealing with life transitions, and many other issues. There are many older adults in New Westminster who are not able to afford fee for service counselling options, and this program makes counselling accessible to low-income seniors. FSGV is grateful for the ongoing support from the City of New Westminster which enables us to support seniors in the community who are experiencing mental health challenges.

Clients may access sessions virtually and in-person at FSGV's New Westminster office, according to their preferences.

From January to June 2023, Vital Connections saw 12 clients and provided 73 counselling sessions. The counsellor for this program resigned in June, and we are in the process of hiring a replacement.

Client Feedback:

The counsellor was pleasant, easy to converse with, non-intimidating and was very knowledgeable in areas I needed help.

This program is very well designed and has been very helpful to me.

Snapshot of Success



FAMILY SERVICES
of Greater Vancouver

Name of Project or Event: Caring Neighbours Holiday Campaign

Name of Organization: Family Services of Greater Vancouver

Grant Amount: \$35,000 Organizational Grant

Date of Project or Event: November 13 – December 31, 2023

Location: Annual year-end fundraising event

Event Details:

Caring Neighbours is FSGV's annual year-end fundraising event, and proceeds support our programs and services across the Lower Mainland.

We sincerely appreciate the City of New Westminster's support of this initiative and have developed a campaign strategy to launch the campaign on November 13, which will run through the end of December.

Our goal for the campaign is to raise \$300,000 in funding to support the work we do as an agency in crisis intervention, counselling, and education throughout the year. We look forward to our December report to the City, when we will be able to share an early look at the campaign's success.

The planning stage has just completed, and in the next 6 weeks, FSGV will be developing the web page, social media ads, and content for community and corporate donation engagement.



Image of the 2022 Caring Neighbour Holiday Campaign online ads; 2023 ads are yet to be developed.

Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: Charitable Society Christmas Tree Chip

Name of Organization: New Westminster FF Charitable Society

Grant Amount: Services provided by the city

Date of Project or Event: January 2nd, 2023

Location: City Hall

Event Details:

Services that were provided by the City to make our event a success included:

- An Arborist and Tree Chipper
- Garbage and Recycling bins
- A Street Sweeper to clean up the remaining tree needles
- Barricades to help direct the traffic

With the help from City Hall we were able to host another successful Tree Chipping event.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Help hosting new memorial tournament / Equipment for new rep program / Play/coach/umpire development

Name of Organization: New Westminster Minor Softball Association

Grant Amount: \$3,850.00 plus city services

Date of Project or Event: 2023

Location: Moody Park for Tournament and many other locations

Event Details:

Inaugural U11 Chris Chong Memorial Tournament was a great success with 20 games played with 2 New West teams and 6 other teams coming to Moody Park. Our New U11B rep team actually won the tournament and both new rep B teams had great inaugural seasons. The launch of the Rep B program with teams called "Reign" has helped keep some of our kids local and playing in and for NWMSA. Previous years have seen stronger players look to other communities to feed their competitive drive.

We have and will continue this Fall to hold many types of clinics to further develop our players, coaches and very much needed umpires. NWMSA is actually even developing coaches from within with Junior coaches that play in the association typically U17 attending our Learn to Play U7 session.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Free Arts & Craft Kits and Arts Workshops

Name of Organization: Free Little Art Gallery of New Westminster Collective

Grant Amount: \$1,400 (\$800 for kits + \$600 for workshops)

Date of Project or Event: Ongoing, April 22, May 13, October 14, 15 & 22

Location: 815 Edinburgh St, Queen's Park, New Westminster Public Library

Event Details:

The Free Little Art Gallery (FLAG) of New Westminster Collective has been distributing hundreds of free arts & craft kits at the FLAG and at events it hosts.

On April 22 (Earth Day), the FLAG hosted an outdoor Junkology workshop in Queen's Park where Oliver Samonte (aka Dr Recycle) taught attendees how to transform waste items such as milk jugs into works of art.

On May 13, the FLAG hosted Eco-Friendly Craft Time at the New Westminster Public Library (NWPL) where Merrill Hall & Susan Tamkin led activities to make plantable seed art pictures and Oliver Samonte led a Junkology workshop.

On October 14 & 15, the FLAG will host workshops on making Métis dot art magnets with Kelly Poitras and miniature paper quilling art with Fulton Tom at 815 Edinburgh Street.

On October 22, the FLAG will host a needle felting workshop led by Tanna Po at the NWPL.



Eco-Friendly Craft Time

Free drop-in arts activities for creative crafters of all ages

Saturday May 13 (2:30 - 4:30 pm)

in the New Westminster Public Library Auditorium (716 Sixth Avenue)



Make a gift for your MOTHER

Join Dr Recycle in a Junkology workshop to turn plastic containers into art & Merrill Hall in an Eco-Workshop to make plantable Seed Art Pictures

This event is made possible by a grant from the City of New Westminster to the Free Little Art Gallery of New Westminster

Please bring an empty & clean 4 litre milk jug if you have one for the Junkology workshop

Snapshot of Success



LUMARA
GRIEF & BEREAVEMENT CARE

Name of Project or Event: New Westminster Grief & Bereavement Care

Name of Organization: Lumara Grief & Bereavement Care Society

Grant Amount: \$9,000

Date of Project or Event: 2023

Location: NWSS Wellness Centre 820 6th Street, New Westminster

Event Details:

Lumara Grief & Bereavement Care supports New Westminster families coping with serious illness, grief, and bereavement. We surround those who are grieving with professional and volunteer support, to foster healing and build resiliency, transforming loss, loneliness, and sorrow into love, meaning, and hope. This year we have provided expressive arts therapies at the Wellness Centre at New Westminster Secondary School including individual therapy sessions as well as our bereavement choir program. Children, youth and families were also able to participate in individual or family counselling at the Wellness Centre or access their counsellor virtually. New Westminster families are attending Camp Kerry in September, and two teenagers attended the Lumara Youth Retreat on Vancouver Island in May. All Indigenous families have access to an Elder through Lumara to support participation in our programs and the Elder also attends all retreats. With our location in New Westminster Secondary School, this is a primary source of referrals to our programs.



Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: 153rd May Day

Name of Organization: New Westminister May day Community Association

Grant Amount: 3000

Date of Project or Event: May 27, 2023

Location: Queen's Park Stadium

Event Details: New Westminister's May Day is a one-of-a-kind event in Canada and **the longest running May Day of its kind in the world.**

For 153 years New Westminister has crowned a May Queen, honoured local dignitaries, and celebrated with pomp and ceremony, lots of dancing and fun! For over 100 years teachers taught the enduring May Day folk and May Pole dances to children in school.

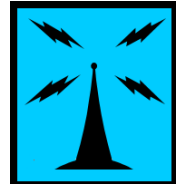
Today, a small non-profit, **the New Westminister May Day Community Association**, has assumed this task and is growing its May Day dance program.

This year **dancer participation doubled.** But City grant funding dollars decreased by 40%. All three **key sponsors returned:** Beachcomber Hot Tubs, Key West Ford, and Gulf & Fraser. A **new funder** was added to the roster, The Province of BC.

500 people attended this year and the entertainment quotient increased with the inclusion of 4 of dance groups representing the Chinese, Ukrainian, Baltic, and Celtic dance traditions.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Emergency Communications

Name of Organization: NWARC

Grant Amount: \$140.00

Date of Project or Event: Communications Upgrades

Location: Century House

Event Details:

The New Westminster Amateur Radio Club Society upgraded the power and battery backup system for their emergency communications repeater system.

These upgrades have improved the resilience and reliability of our emergency communications infrastructure that will provide critical communication services in the event of an emergency or disaster



**New Westminster Amateur Radio
club is supported by**



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Grants For Living - City Partnership 2023 - 25 Grant - NWHCS Coordination Services

Name of Organization: NW Homelessness Coalition Society

Grant Amount: \$16,500 annually

Date of Project or Event: February 23, 2023 / Ongoing

Location: Holy Trinity Cathedral Hall / New Westminster

Event Details:

Each year the Partnership Grant provides core funding to support the coordination of a wide variety of activities and events that attract vulnerable community members, service providers, local business, and the community at large. In February, CONNECT Day featured a service provider connect event, food, music, BINGO, and a World Cafe where unhoused folks, service providers and community members talked about community resources, the information they needed to better understand homelessness, and activities they would like to see during Homelessness Action Week 2023.

Homelessness Action Week #HAW2023 Oct. 7 to 14, 2023

Homelessness is NOT a crime.
It is a social issues that requires
community action.

Let's change the community
conversations and work towards
positive change in New Westminister!



Homelessness is an issue that might seem too large to tackle because it encompasses so much, but here are some ways you can make an impact.

OFFER...

- A moment of your time
- Eye contact
- A smile
- A listening ear
- Conversation



Learn about local resources and share them...

- Food Resources
- Health Resources
- Outreach Support
- Crisis Resources (Survival Guide, etc)
- Housing Resources

DONATE TO LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS



COMMUNITY CONNECT DAY

WHEN:
Thursday Feb 23, 2023
1pm - 6:30pm



WHERE:
Holy Trinity Cathedral, Upper Hall
514 Carnarvon St, New Westminister

FEATURING:

- Local Service Providers on site
- FREE Income Tax clinic
- Immunizations: Covid and Flu shots
- Income Assistance applications on site
- Agency Bingo with prizes
- It's on the Street Info
- Giveaways
- Foot Care
- Point in Time Homeless Count Info
- Naloxone and harm reduction supplies
- Hot dogs and Snacks courtesy of Holy Trinity
- World Café
- Music with Chuck Puchmayr & Bob Dillon



FREE EVENT
ALL
WELCOME



1:00pm to 4:00pm

Local Service Providers
FREE Income Tax Clinic
Immunizations (Covid and Flu shots)
BINGO and Giveaways

4:00pm to 5:00pm

Hot Dogs and Snacks!
Music 4 to 6:30 pm

5:00pm to 6:30pm

World Café
Meet others in the community wanting to learn more or make a difference.
Enjoy refreshments over a conversation.

NEW WESTMINSTER

This event is made possible thanks to a grant from the City of New Westminster

NEW WESTMINSTER SECONDARY



“Be bold, be courageous, be your best!”

JUNE 27th, 2023 | Queen’s Park Arena



NEW WESTMINSTER

New Westminster Schools recognizes and acknowledges the Qayqayt First Nation, as well as all Coast Salish Peoples, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work!



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: **Community English Class for Immigrant and Refugee Women**

Name of Organization: Pacific Immigrant Resources Society

Grant Amount: \$15,000

Date of Project or Event: September 2022 - June 2023

Location: Holy Trinity Cathedral New Westminster

Event Details:

Three cohorts of Community English Class were delivered.

49 adults and 43 children attended weekly classes every Monday and Wednesday morning for two hours from September 2022 to June 2023.

A total of **2109 hours of English Language instruction** were delivered. Lesson themes included daily life topics such as Mental and Physical Wellbeing, Family and Friendship, Health, Budgeting, Canada and Indigenous Studies.

415 hours of additional one-to-one support calls were provided.

295 food hampers were distributed to the families in partnership with the New Westminster Food Bank. Bus tickets subsidy were provided to remove access barriers.



Snapshot of Success

Name of Project or Event: Car Free Day Downtown New West

Name of Organization: Downtown New West BIA

Grant Amount: \$39,264.40 (City Services)

Date of Project or Event: Saturday, July 29th, 2023

Location: Columbia St. between 8th and 4th Streets

Event Details:

Our second Car Free Day Downtown New West, presented by Translink, was successful with a wide variety of diverse entertainment, interactive and educational experiences, as well as phenomenal community and business involvement. We opened a pedestrian-friendly and fully licensed Columbia Street to 50,000 people. We hope is to build on the success and learnings from this year and make next year's event our best yet. Thank you to the City of New West for your support!



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Pre-Production of Feature Documentary I, Migrant

Name of Organization: Sher Vancouver

Grant Amount: \$5250.00

Date of Project or Event: January 1, to May 12, 2023

Location: New Westminister and Metro Vancouver

Event Details:

Sher Vancouver hired our director, editor, director of photography, Consulting producer, South Asian creative consultant, entertainment Lawyer, specialized film insurance broker, film accountant, tax credit consultant, we recruited our main cast, scouted locations, developed a shortlist of experts to consult and possibly cast in the film, we set up our Social media for the film on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. We set up our official website. We also managed to bring on other sponsors such as the City of Surrey and City of Vancouver. We shortlisted students from Douglas College in New Westminister for our film. We did research at Douglas College and New West Public Library. We created a historical timeline of immigration from South Asia to NW and Metro Vancouver and BC.



Snapshot of Success



Name of Project or Event: Umbrella Community Ambassadors- **Umbrella Babies (U Babies)** and **Umbrella Seniors (U Seniors)**

Name of Organization: Umbrella Multicultural Health Cooperative

Grant Amount: 30,000.00 funded by City of New Westminster

Date of Project or Event: Weekly groups throughout the year

Location: 715 Carnarvon St, New Westminster

Event Details:

U Babies and U Seniors are community groups of immigrants and refugees. U Babies for Latin American women who are pregnant or have a less than 2 y child. U Seniors for Afghan women. Both are peer-support groups getting together weekly (U Seniors) or bi-weekly (U Babies). They are led by a volunteer from the community. The purpose is to build community and face specific challenges (motherhood, isolation, lack of family/friends networks, language barrier, etc. as a community, offering and receiving assistance and support from each other. Additionally, discussions on relevant health topics, attention to mental and social/spiritual wellbeing, physical activities, relaxation practices and basic English skills are addressed. During the summer they enjoy outdoors meetings. This year we started a Leadership training. Sessions on Communication Skills, Facilitation and Public-speaking skills, and Soft Skills for employment have been delivered with great acceptance and participation. Participants are being invited to co-facilitate for the next 4 sessions. The purpose of this training is to provide the tools for community members to become more whole and knowledgeable to welcome and support new immigrants just arriving.



Umbrella Babies

Conversations among friends

It's free!

Do you speak Spanish?
Do you have a baby < 2 y?
Are you pregnant?
This group is for you *Join us!*

- We invite you to talk and share and about relevant topics for you!
- Safe and friendly space
- Healthy snacks included



Peer support group open to moms with babies, pregnant moms, grandmas, sisters and friends!

Where 715 Carnarvon St
New Westminster
When Fridays 10:30 am to 12:30 pm
Information Laura 778. 316.8105
Irene 778.814.5496
Umbrella Multicultural Health Co-op



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