



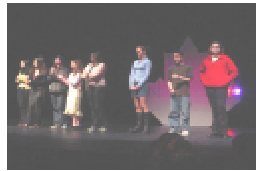
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BC Youth Network Initiative



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Community Learning Network - BC Youth Network Initiative

Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest was fortunate to have been involved in the BC Rural Youth Dialogues that the Canadian Rural Partnership held in 2000. The eight dialogues held across B.C. indicated that Youth did not feel engaged in their communities and those involved saw this as an opportunity for community development. Seven of the organizations involved in the Dialogues have moved forward to work on creating platforms for youth engagement in their respective communities. These seven communities worked together with Brandon Hughes of the BC Rural Team and Peter MacDonald of the Community Futures Development Association of BC to create a business plan for what is now known as the BC Youth Network Initiative and has been funded through HRDC's Office of Learning Technology's Community Learning Network.

The project has the objective of creating youth councils, or enhancing existing councils, in those seven communities. These councils will then be creating web pages and linking via a web portal being created specifically for this project. The idea is that the councils can utilize technology to share and learn from each other. Community Economic Development Co-ordinator, Treena Decker, is the Regional Co-ordinator for the BC Youth Network Initiative.

The Youth Council will be comprised of 12 youth representatives put forward by community stakeholders in Prince Rupert. These twelve will make up the core of the youth council and will serve on the council for a one-year term with the possibility of extension. The position of chair will rotate quarterly to enable more youth to develop the skills necessary to chair a board. Each core member will be expected to chair a subcommittee in the area of his/her interest. The council will accept proposals from youth in the subcommittees for project consideration should the subcommittees or other youth in the community wish to access funds for community projects. These funds are limited in size but there is the possibility of accessing matching funds in the community.

Treena recently organized "Prince Rupert Idol", a fun talent contest to celebrate the spirit of youth in the community and to kick off the formation of the Prince Rupert Youth Council (see picture to left). For more information on the Prince Rupert Youth Council, or to get involved, please contact Treena at the CFDC - PNW office.

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Meet our Board



Vice - Chair
Bill Parmar

Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest is pleased to have Bill Parmar as a member of Board of Directors. Bill owns two businesses, Excel Printing in Prince Rupert and Totem Press in Terrace.

In addition to being an active member of the business community, Bill devotes a large amount of his time to making the region a better place through volunteering. He is a Past-President of the Prince Rupert Rotary Club and currently is the assistant district governor for the Northwest region of Rotary International's District 5040.

Bill is also currently the President of the Prince Rupert and District Chamber of Commerce. He is also very active in the Indo Canadian Community, serving as a representative on the R.C.M.P.'s Community Consultative Group.

Bill enjoys being physically active and plays soccer with the Prince Rupert Men's League in his spare time. He is married to Anita and they have two grown children.

Bill is currently the Vice - Chair of Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest.

Ripple Effects

Staff of Community Futures
of the Pacific Northwest

Maynard Angus General Manager
Louise Leclerc Executive Assistant
Bruce Forward Business Analyst
Ireena Decker C.E.D. Coordinator
Pat Lawson Receptionist

Meet Our Staff



Louise Leclerc
Executive Assistant

As Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest's Executive Assistant, Louise Leclerc provides exceptional accounting and administrative support to the office. Louise was born and raised in northern British Columbia and understands the dynamics of the northern economy. Louise is no stranger to entrepreneurship and knows the hard work and sense of accomplishment involved in owning and operating a successful business.

Prior to coming to CFDC-PNW, Louise worked at IKON Office Solutions with General Manager, Maynard Angus. Louise has been with CFDC -PNW for four years and her friendly disposition and attention to detail makes her a true asset to the organization.

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Meet our Clients

B.C. Style Fishing Charters



B.C. Style Fishing Charters is owned and operated by Prince Rupert resident, Jeff Carlson. Jeff's love for fishing and the outdoors makes him the perfect guide for your fishing adventure. Jeff has been fishing the waters around Prince Rupert for 10 years. A knowledgeable and professional guide, Jeff is a member of Tourism Prince Rupert and The Chatham Sound Charter Boat Association. He also holds a Restricted Marine Radio Operators Certificate.

B.C. Style has two vessels available for fishing, whale watching or sight seeing on the North Coast. One vessel is a 21 Trophy Bayliner (pictured above) and the other is a 26ft Campion. Both vessels are equipped with Scotty Electric Downriggers, Shimano Rods and Penn Level Wind Reels.

B.C. Style Fishing Charters

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What we do...

There are Community Futures offices throughout Western Canada. Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest serves the communities of Prince Rupert, Port Edward, Hartley Bay, Kitkatla, Kincolith, Oona River, Dodge Cove, Lax Kw'alaams and Metlakatla.

Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest is pleased to offer a variety of services to the North Coast region. The mission statement of Community Futures of the Pacific Northwest is:

"To actively contribute to building a diversified and sustainable economy for the Pacific Northwest through entrepreneurial development and participation in Regional Economic Planning."

Community Futures offers lending of amounts between \$5,000.00 and \$75,000.00 to eligible clients who have explored other financing options.

In addition to the primary focus of helping entrepreneurs through our lending services, we also have a business resource centre available to members of the general public at no cost. The resource centre includes a variety of printed materials, including a small library and two internet ready computers.

Community Futures ~ strengthening the economies of rural communities.