

**Revelstoke Community Social Development Committee  
Social Development Coordinator  
2009/2010 WORKPLAN YEAR END REPORT – JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> 2010  
(please see the end of the report for a list of acronyms)**

**Objective 1. Facilitating communication and collaboration amongst community organizations to support them to work together on community social challenges and opportunities**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Maintain central office location & continue to distribute contact information <b>(new office more appropriate for small meetings)</b>	<b>Ongoing: contractor provides telephone, computer/internet, central office location in the Business Information Centre building with access to board room for meetings</b>
Field email communications and review materials sent to coordinator	<b>Ongoing: Mon thru Fri</b>
Monthly steering committee meetings <b>(beginning Sept /10 steering committee meetings will be bi-monthly)</b>	<b>10 meetings – Sept thru June Meeting packages include agenda, minutes, monthly coordinator report, quarterly report on time management, correspondence, handouts</b>
Meet with social sector members, including those who are not on RCSDC	<b>Ongoing</b>
Sign up for web lists for various organizations & agencies to keep abreast of capacity-building and new funding opportunities & communicate these to appropriate groups or organizations	<b>Ongoing</b>
Attend meetings of social sector organizations and groups, including but not limited to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Early Childhood Development</li> <li>2. Revelstoke Literacy Action Committee</li> <li>3. Renters' Voice <b>(this group is no longer meeting)</b></li> <li>4. Seniors' Planning Committee <b>(this group is no longer meeting)</b></li> </ol>	<b>Maintained regular attendance for groups listed, provided support as requested, participated in planning sessions for ECD,</b>

5. Screen Smart 6. Okanagan College – - Welcoming & Inclusive Communities & Workplaces Program - Multicultural & antiracism initiative 7. Transit committee 8. Health Care Advisory Committee 9. Supporting single men subcommittee	<b>RLAC, WICWP, and Transit</b>
Organize local learning events as opportunities arise and/or are required	<b>See below</b>
Facilitate stakeholder participation in community-wide initiatives & events	<b>Ongoing</b>
Host quarterly meetings to promote interagency communication, learning and to celebrate achievements	<b>See below</b>

**Objective 2. Supporting action on high priority social projects identified in the Community Development Action Plan (CDAP)/ Maintaining and updating the social aspects of the CDAP.**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Substance use (in partnership with Interior Health School-based Prevention) – Form substance use steering committee; complete a community-wide substance use strategy, including statistical profile for Revelstoke & Area, community consultation plan, and implementation strategy. Assist with fundraising or funding applications as needed.	<b>Completed on target – June 2010</b>
Seniors – 1. Maintain Seniors’ Planning Committee; 2. Complete ‘Supporting our Seniors’ project, including local Seniors’ Resource Guide, workshops at the seniors’ centre, and introduction of 2 or 3 new programs for seniors; 3. Continue to support Seniors’ Association as needed; 4. Monitor implementation of recommended actions in the Age-Friendly Plan.	<b>1. Committee dissolved</b>
	<b>2. Completed – Produced &amp; distributed Revelstoke Seniors Resource Guide; hosted workshop series at the Seniors Centre; hired Volunteer Coordinator at the Seniors Centre</b>

Seniors continued	<b>3. Provided successful grant-writing support 4. Grit Box pilot project etc.</b>
Health care – Re-convene Community Health Care Services Advisory Committee (in partnership with Interior Health)	<b>Completed – ongoing</b>
Transportation – Assist Transit Committee to develop effective public transit and handydart service	<b>Ongoing – provide support to Transit Committee</b>
Check in with organizations taking leadership on social priorities within the CDAP to review status of projects/tasks	<b>Ongoing – Target – Fall /10 for another review</b>
Welcoming new residents, introducing them to the community – ‘Welcome to Revelstoke’ booklet (in partnership with Okanagan College)	<b>Project grants acquired thru OC for workshop series, website development, and resource guide – target for completion June /11</b>
Facilitate RCSDC review of priorities and actions within the CDAP	<b>As above</b>
Plan, facilitate and participate in community-wide review of CDAP	<b>As above</b>

**Objective 3. Help support new and existing organizations and collaboratives when needed**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Assist new and existing groups to establish governance	<b>Ongoing – provide continuing support to Seniors Association</b>
Assist new and existing groups to develop, implement and monitor work plans	<b>Ongoing</b>
Assist new and existing groups with funding applications as needed	<b>Ongoing</b>
Ensure new and existing groups are working with accurate information sources	<b>Ongoing</b>

**Objective 4. Identifying new social challenges and opportunities in the community and identify ways to meet these challenges and access these opportunities.**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Continue to meet with social sector representatives and groups on a regular basis to identify common goals and priorities for action within social sector; continue to review new funding opportunities as they arise	<b>Ongoing</b>

**Objective 5. Providing the City of Revelstoke with information and recommendations on community social challenges and priorities**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Quarterly presentations to City Council and senior staff	<b>June &amp; October 2009 January &amp; June 2010</b>
Respond to requests from Council as they arise	<b>Ongoing</b>
Provide information to City Council on community-wide social issues	<b>Ongoing</b>

**Objective 6. Communicating social issues and information within the community and externally**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Status/estimated completion date</b>
Update and distribute Directory of Social Services for Revelstoke and Area as needed	<b>Ongoing; last update March 2010</b>
Update Social Development website as needed	<b>Ongoing</b>
Maintain and update list/library (web & paper-based) of recent (last 10 years) reports/studies on local social topics	<b>Ongoing</b>
Presentations to Chamber, Rotary, Economic Development Commission, Community Futures, service clubs etc. describing social sector initiatives, needs, RCSDC committee, and work plan	<b>See below</b>

Provide point of contact & answer requests (local and out-of-town) for information about social conditions and the social sector	<b>Ongoing</b>
Participate in community-wide events	<b>Ongoing</b>
Utilize various media venues to communicate Social Development activities to the general public	<b>Ongoing</b>
Contribute social perspective to other community planning initiatives through a variety of groups, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Futures</li> <li>• Economic Development Commission</li> <li>• Planning &amp; Building Advisory Committee</li> <li>• Official Community Plan Implementation Committee</li> </ul>	<b>Ongoing</b>
Coordinate & host asset-based community development speaker presentations/ workshops/ meetings and capacity-building events as needed	<b>See below</b>

**Over the past year I have participated in the following:**

**A. Regional Initiatives**

- Oct 5<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> – Attended Community Futures Conference in Vernon (volunteer).
- Oct 7<sup>th</sup> – Invited to speak at an Age-Friendly Planning event in Kamloops as part of a speaker panel.
- Nov 5<sup>th</sup> – Presented the Revelstoke Age-Friendly Planning experience as part of the BC Injury Research and Prevention Institute teleconference series.
- Mar 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> – “Traction for Community Action” conferences in Rossland & Cranbrook. These were back-to-back one-day conferences in the West & East Kootenays on Community Social Planning, co-sponsored by Interior Health, The Canadian Cancer Society, CBT, BC Healthy Living Alliance, and SPARC BC. I was asked to participate as a plenary speaker, as well as facilitate a concurrent session, twice, each day. I spoke on the principles of sustainable community development with a focus on the meaning and goals of the ‘social sustainability’ pillar for communities, and followed with The Revelstoke Story – explaining the history & structure of the Social Development Committee, my workplan, and key factors of success.
- June 16<sup>th</sup> - CFDC Regional CED Forum at the Hillcrest - “The Boomers are Retiring – Are you Ready?” as one of five speakers.

**B. Local initiatives:**

- Parks Canada Management Plan
- OC Multicultural Antiracism Community Action Plan

- Nov 19<sup>th</sup> – Anti-discrimination all day workshop at Okanagan College
- Mar 30<sup>th</sup> – The Psychology of Addiction learning event
- Working with OC to identify potential training needs for local non-profit agencies and facilitate workshops to meet needs.
- Early Childhood Development Plan update
- A Community/District Literacy Plan update
- UDB Charette – provided social sector input

**Over the past year I have coordinated the following:**

- Oct 20<sup>th</sup> – LIRN BC event: “Deciding what should be counted in Community Health: A Social Determinant of Health Perspective” with presenters: Eric Kowalksi & Theresa Hermary from Interior Health
- Seniors Centre Speaker Series continued –
  - o October 2009, Hans Mohr, Pharmacist, on pharmaceutical use & misuse;
  - o November 2009, Whitney Kendrick, OT, on Falls Prevention;
  - o January 2010, Lynne Welock on Financial Protection & Constable Tracy Longpre (RCMP) on how to avoid scams, and the current top 10 scams.
- Service Provider ‘Lunch and Learn’ Speaker Series
  - o January 2010, Julie Lowes, Manager, Revelstoke Health Services - “Overview, Highlights & Challenges”.
  - o February 2010, Cathie Thacker, Program Coordinator, Revelstoke Employment Centre - “Everything you always wanted to know about the Employment Centre, the Job Market & More!”
  - o March 2010, Melissa Klage, Attorney, - Highlights of family law and services to access in Revelstoke.
- May 18<sup>th</sup> – Seniors Planning review
- June 11<sup>th</sup> – Canadian National Institute of the Blind Forum for service providers and public open house.
- June 18<sup>th</sup> – “CBT invites the social sector” with Amy Ambrosone, Manager CBT Planning and Development, and Andrew Jarrett, Executive Coordinator, Kootenay Boundary Community Services Coop

**2010 Total Grant Funding to Date:**

<b>Interior Health Injury Prevention Small Grants Program (Grit Box Pilot Project)</b>	<b>\$ 2,500.00</b>
<b>UBCM SHSI Age-Friendly Project (Volunteer Coordinator at the Seniors Centre)</b>	<b><u>\$20,000.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$22,500.00</b>

## List of Acronyms

<b>CBT</b>	Columbia Basin Trust
<b>CDAP</b>	Community Development Action Plan
<b>CEDNET</b>	Community Economic Development Network
<b>CFDC</b>	Community Futures Revelstoke
<b>CMHA</b>	Canadian Mental Health Association
<b>ECD</b>	Early Childhood Development Committee
<b>EDC</b>	Economic Development Commission (City of Revelstoke)
<b>IH</b>	Interior Health
<b>OC</b>	Okanagan College
<b>OCP</b>	Official Community Plan (City of Revelstoke)
<b>PBAC</b>	Planning, Building & Bylaw Advisory Committee (City of Revelstoke)
<b>RCSDC</b>	Revelstoke Community Social Development Committee
<b>RLAC</b>	Revelstoke Literacy Action Committee
<b>RV</b>	Renters' Voice
<b>SE</b>	Community Futures Self-Employment Committee
<b>SPARC BC</b>	Social Planning and Research Council of BC
<b>SS</b>	Screen Smart
<b>WICWP</b>	Welcoming and Inclusive Communities and Workplaces Program (Okanagan College)