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The WestShore Chamber is privileged to carry out its work on the ancestral and traditional territories of the Esquimalt, Songhees, Malahat, WSÁNEĆ, and Beecher Bay First Nations, whose continuous relationship to the land encompasses past, present, and future.

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Welcome

to the 2nd Annual WestShore Business Resource + Relocation Go2Guide

If you are new to the area, you may be asking, "what is the WestShore, exactly?" (Also known as Westshore and West Shore just to make it even more interesting!)

The term "WestShore" evolved from what was previously (and sometimes still is) referred to as the "western communities" of Victoria. This unofficial region within a region of the Capital Regional District (CRD) includes the municipalities of Colwood, the Highlands, Langford, Metchosin and View Royal. New for 2023, we've included a general map of the municipalities of southern Vancouver Island. You'll find this on page 26, courtesy of Peninsula Co-op and PenCo Liquor!

Within these pages, you'll find lots of useful information gathered all in one publication. Local government contacts, community service numbers, and businesses that will help you connect within, live in, and enjoy the WestShore. The **WestShore Chamber Member Directory** part of the guide is your one-stop shop for services and businesses in the WestShore and beyond. By being a part of the non- profit WestShore Chamber, our members support our work and our mission to foster and advance the growth, prosperity, and sustainability of business and community in the WestShore. When you buy from a WestShore Chamber member, you are buying from a business that supports community.

While we have relationships with all of the municipalities in our area, I would specifically like to thank the **City of Langford**, the **City of Colwood** and the **Town of View Royal** for their direct support of our activities. I would also like to thank the **Goldstream News Gazette**, who has been our partner for many years in many ways, including for the *Best of the WestShore Awards*. Last but not least, thank you to our Corporate Partner **WorkLink Employment Society** whose work so closely aligns with ours.

The WestShore Chamber has a small but mighty staff team, volunteers who help out, a volunteer board of directors, and members who make our work possible. I am grateful for all of you! If you'd like to learn more about us, I invite you to check out our pages in this guide, go to westshore.bc.ca or give us a call!

Julie Lawlor

Executive Director

WestShore Chamber of Commerce

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The region currently known as Greater Victoria or the Capital Regional District (encompassing 13 municipalities) rests upon the traditional and in some cases shared territories of many First Nations. These include the **T'Souke**, **Xwsepsum** (Esquimalt), **Lekwungen** (Songhees), **Sc'ianew** (Beecher Bay), and **Malahat First Nations**, and the **WSÁNEĆ** Peoples of the **Tsartlip**, **Pauquachin**, **Tsawout**, and **Tseycum First Nations**.

T'Souke: <u>tsoukenation.com</u>

Xwsepsum (Esquimalt): esquimaltnation.ca
Lekwungen (Songhees): songheesnation.ca
Sc'ianew (Beecher Bay): beecherbay.ca

Malahat: malahatnation.com

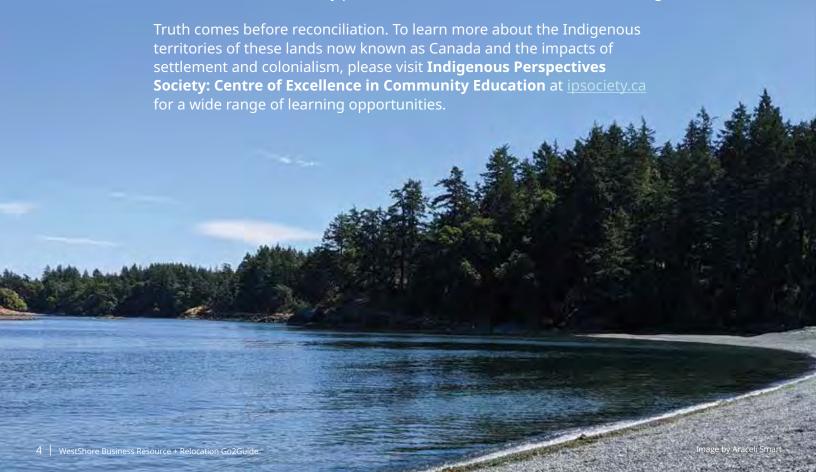
WSÁNEĆ Leadership Council: wsanec.com

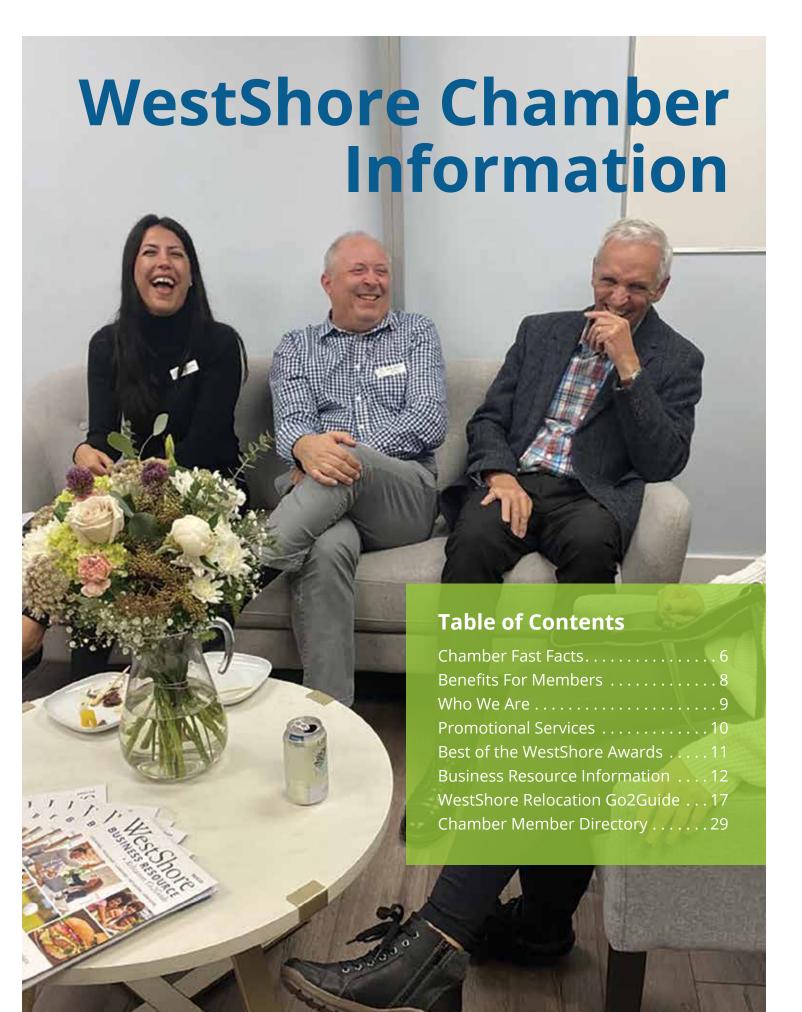
Tsartlip: tsartlip.com

Pauquachin: pauquachin.ca

Tsawout: <u>tsawout.ca</u>
Tseycum: <u>tseycum.ca</u>

Five First Nations have come together to form the **Te'mexw Treaty Association**, a non-profit society which is working "to create five Nation-specific modern treaties with the federal and provincial governments in the British Columbia treaty process." You can find out more at temexw.org





CHAMBER FAST FACTS

What is a Chamber of Commerce?

A chamber of commerce – also known as a board of trade – is traditionally an organization of businesses that comes together to network, advocate on behalf of these businesses, and promote business activity. Today, non-profit and government organizations are also chamber members. There is a BC Chamber of Commerce which represents the interests of member chambers across BC, and a Canadian Chamber with a national remit that has been in existence since 1925. In Canada, most chambers of commerce are constituted under the "Boards of Trade Act" and are therefore non-profit but not classed as charities.

The WestShore Chamber of Commerce

This organization first started life as the Colwood and District Chamber of Commerce in 1956 and went through a few more name changes before becoming the WestShore Chamber in 1997. The Chamber is a nonpartisan, non-profit organization that exists to foster and advance the growth, prosperity and sustainability of business and community in the WestShore (Colwood, the Highlands, Langford, Metchosin and View Royal.) Our members are from all across the south island, with the largest concentration from Langford.

The WestShore Chamber is operated by two full-time and two part-time staff members, and managed by an entirely volunteer Board of Directors. Board members

are nominated each year as part of the Annual General Meeting process in November.

Why be a member of the WestShore Chamber?

In a nutshell, if you support us we can support you!

The Chamber advocates on behalf of member businesses and organizations at all levels of government, and exists to represent this community. Funding from membership supports the services that go back to the business community and our members.

People join for different reasons, and find value in different ways. While everything listed overleaf is available to everyone, this information is presented to help you find what is best for you.



BENEFITS

Member-exclusive offers, pricing and discounts



CREDIBILITY

Grow your reputation through Chamber affiliation



VISIBILITY

Through unique marketing and media opportunities



CONNECTIONS

Live and Virtual Events to build your network



COMMUNITY

A platform for you to be part of something bigger



LEARNING

Workshops for your continuing professional development



ADVOCACY

Raise your voice through our work with government

If your organization is in the WestShore, you will find value in:

• Public voting for the annual Best of the WestShore Awards, which generates promotion for all those who take part, with particular benefit to those organizations who are voted into the top three

If you are a small to medium business, you may find value in:

- Access to the Chambers Group Insurance Plan, which is only available to members of a chamber. This plan offers medical, dental and other benefits to even 1 person businesses, helping to attract and retain staff
- Promotion through and business from Chamber Member2Member discounts
- Networking at our monthly mixers and coffee talks, and other events held throughout the year. The Chamber provides a supportive environment for you to get your name, and that of your business, out there and make connections with potential customers

If you are a medium to large business, you may find value in:

- Your business listing on our website directory to give you a local presence in addition to your corporate website
- Playing your part in and giving back to the community. The healthier the Chamber is, the better it is for businesses and business owners because the Chamber then has the necessary resources to advocate for and provide appropriate services to businesses
- Hosting a Chamber mixer which although it is a business expense, allows you to showcase your business to the 40-60 members who attend as well as to the wider community in promotions before the event

If you are a business with a **store** front, you'll be interested in:

- Preferred merchant services rates with KIS Payments
- Ribbon cutting & special event presence: we support your grand opening, re-opening, new location or special event, and we will invite local dignitaries and fellow Chamber members as well!

If you are a **non-profit**, you'll be interested in:

- Free access to upload community events to the WestShore Community Calendar
- Introduction to community members who may well be interested in supporting or sponsoring your initiative

All of our members can benefit from

- Business advice and connections we're here to help you find a solution or put you in touch with someone who can help via our network
- Company profile in our website directory at westshore.bc.ca which helps build your digital presence within a domain that Google trusts and recognizes
- Increasing your promotional footprint through our reposts or likes of your Twitter, LinkedIn, Instagram and FaceBook content
- Information sharing about what's happening locally, regionally and nationally via our weekly e-news and social media channels
- Our connection to all five of our local municipal staff and councillors - we can help facilitate local issues
- Our membership with the Canadian Chamber of Commerce means that you, as a WestShore Chamber member, also have access to the Canadian Chamber's savings programs
- Sponsorship of a Chamber event to get your name out there - we have opportunities to suit all budgets, from Coffee Talk to Awards **Sponsors**
- Discounted advertising rates in e-news



BENEFITS FOR MEMBERS

As a WestShore Chamber member you have access to a range of business services that will save you time and money.



Chambers Plan Employee Benefits Canada's #1 Plan for Employee Panafite for Employee Benefits

Access to the Chambers Group Insurance Plan is one of the many benefits the WestShore Chamber Members have access to!



Some additional benefits available only through the Chamber



Preferred Merchant Service Provider



WestShore M2M To Members, From Members



Members Only Job Board Hiring? We can help!

Contact us for more information and membership rates



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- Home to over 7 km of breathtaking oceanfront and abundant forest, Colwood boasts beautiful beaches, parks & trails for a healthy lifestyle.
- Just 20 minutes from Victoria with easy access to a diverse mix of services & amenities by car, bus or on a growing active transportation network.
- One of the top 5 cities in Canada to work from home people come for access to nature and stay because they can work & play where they live.
- A great place to do business with 600+ businesses, over half for more than 10 years and a 92% satisfaction rate in a 2021 survey.

ROYAL BAY seaside village with 70,000+ sq ft of new commercial and retail space liveatroyalbay.ca

COLWOOD CORNERS quickly building up to 125,000 sq ft of retail space colwoodcorners.com

ALLANDALE DISTRICT 20 acre mixed use area allandaledistrict.ca

THE BEACHLANDS 134 acres on the waterfront with significant commercial plans thebeachlands.com



PROMOTIONAL SERVICES

Request a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The WestShore Chamber of Commerce is pleased to provide ribbon cutting ceremonies to WestShore Chamber members who are hosting grand opening events or open houses. From new small businesses to large companies, we love to celebrate all new businesses to the WestShore!





e-Newsletter

Reaching the email inboxes of 900+ business owners and community members in the WestShore and beyond has never been easier. Our weekly e-newsletter is one of the most cost effective and popular advertising choices for both members and non-members.

On Our Website

Westshore.bc.ca is a popular local website, giving you the opportunity for exposure to local and outside inquiries. Not only members, but visitors, information-seekers, event audiences, and even out-of-town inquiries all end up viewing our website.

On Our Business Directory

Our Business Directory receives an average of over 2000 unique page views a month, which make it the ideal place to promote your organization! Members can choose between a leaderboard ad (top of page) or a square sidebar ad (seen when visitors scroll down the page).

Social Media

Members can expand their reach by leveraging the WestShore Chamber's social media channels to relay your message across our social media portfolio. Our current platforms include: Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.

- (f) /westshore.chamberofcommerce
- /wschamber1
- /westshorechamber
- in /company/westshore-chamber-of-commerce
- /user/WestShoreChamber

Business Resource + Relocation Go2Guide

A publication produced by the Chamber to provide business resource and WestShore relocation information. All members receive a FREE contact listing in the directory portion, and receive the exclusive benefit to advertise within. Distributed to each member and key locations in the WestShore.

For More Information:

Call us at (250) 478-1130 or visit the contact page of our website at westshore.bc.ca

Best of the WestShore

YOUR COMMUNITY. YOUR VOTE





VOTE FOR YOUR FAVOURITE WESTSHORE BUSINESSES, ORGANIZATIONS, AND NON-PROFITS

Are you an owner or manager of a business or non-profit in the WestShore? Then the Best of the WestShore Awards is for you!

This partnership between the **Goldstream** Gazette and the WestShore Chamber of **Commerce** takes place every year, and is open to all organisations within the WestShore municipalities of Colwood, Langford, the Highlands, Metchosin and View Royal.

Pre-registration runs throughout May for organizations. Those voted into the top three in each category are contacted in September, and the results are announced at a Gala dinner in October!

Voting in the Best of the WestShore Awards is a great way to support your favourite local businesses and non-profits.

To access the voting platform, please go to goldstreamgazette.com and click on "Contests." To further connect with the WestShore Chamber, you can sign up for our e-news on our "Contact Us" page at westshore.bc.ca or follow us on LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter.

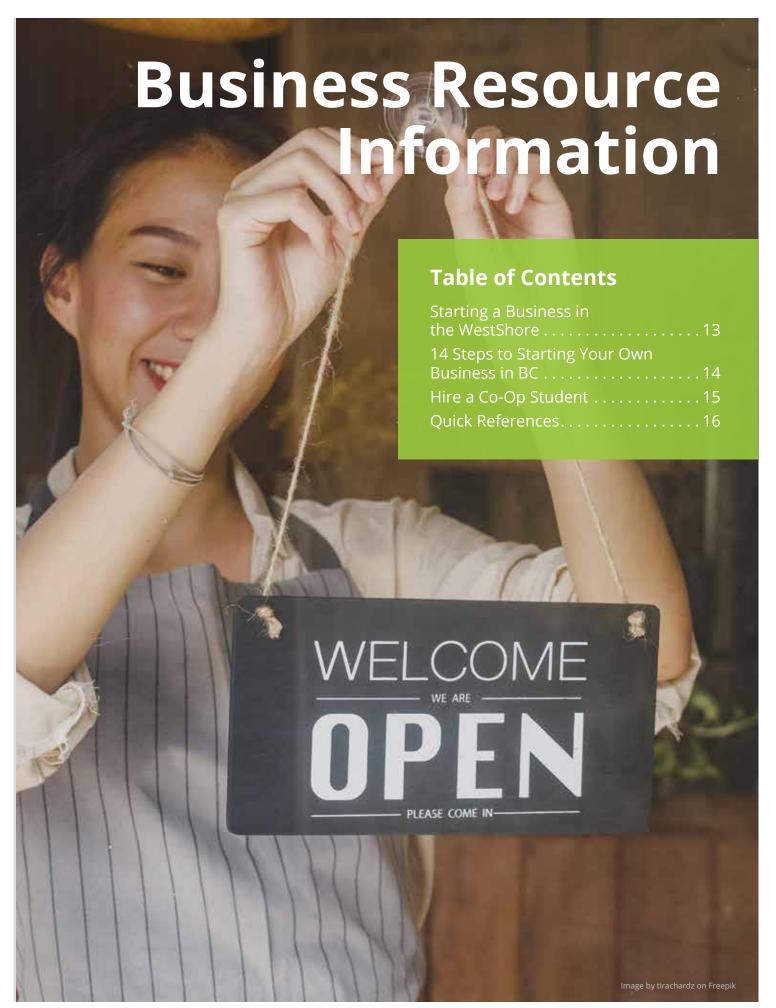


KEY DATES TO REMEMBER:

MAY: Pre-Registration

JULY - LABOUR DAY: Voting is Open

OCTOBER: Awards Ceremony





Thinking of moving to the WestShore to start a business? Check out these websites.

Business Licenses, Zoning, Building Permits

- City of Colwood | colwood.ca
- City of Langford | langford.ca
- District of Highlands | highlands.ca
- District of Metchosin | metchosin.ca
- Town of View Royal | viewroyal.ca

Local and Regional Connections

- South Island Prosperity Partnership southislandprosperity.ca
- Think Local First | thinklocalvictoria.com
- Orbus Business Networks Inc. orbusnetworks.com



14 Steps to Starting Your Own Business in BC

The following information is courtesy of the Government of BC's Starting a Small Business Guide

Make Sure Running a Small Business is Right for You

It takes time, commitment, a good idea, the right personality and at least a few basic business skills to start and run a small business successfully.

Understand Business Structures

Most small businesses are operated as one of the following:

- Sole proprietorship, the owner/operator or self-employed
- General partnership, with one or more partner
- Corporation (also known as a limited liability company)

There are also other business structures, such as societies, franchises and cooperatives to consider.

Not sure which business structure will be best for your business? Ask for advice from a lawyer and an accountant to find out what each type requires, both legally and financially.

Develop a Business Plan

You've no doubt heard the expression, "Failing to plan is planning to fail." Many entrepreneurs write a business plan only when they need to secure start-up financing. However, your plan is far more than a document for banks and investors to read; it's an invaluable roadmap for launching and growing your business.

Secure Your Financing

For your new small business to succeed, you need to have enough money to cover business start-up costs and daily operating expenses for at least three months. If you don't have enough money for start-up through family, friends, loans or lines of credit, you may need to consider outside sources of financing.

5. Choose a Business Name and Have it Approved

If you want to use a business name that is anything other than your personal name, you will need to have your business name approved by, and then registered with, BC Registry Services. It's a good idea to have a first, second and third choice for your business name, just in case the name you want is not available.

Register Your Business

If your business is a sole proprietorship or general partnership, you can register it quickly and easily with the Province of British Columbia online using the OneStop Business Registration Service.

7. Secure Your Online Presence

In today's world it is almost essential for a business to have an online presence, whether through company listings, social media or a company website. Secure a domain name and secure your presence on social media early on in your business, even if you don't actively use it until later.

Register for Provincial Sales Tax (PST)

If you sell or lease taxable goods or services, or provide accommodation, in British Columbia, you may be required to register with the Ministry of Finance to charge and collect Provincial Sales Tax (PST).

Register for Goods and Services Tax (GST)

If you sell or provide goods and services in Canada and your annual world-wide GST taxable sales, including those of any associates, are more than \$30,000, you may be required to register for goods and services tax (GST).

10. Complete Other Registrations

You may also need to complete other provincial, federal or local government registrations for hiring employees, importing & exporting, etc.

11. Investigate Additional Business Registrations and Requirements

You may need to consider additional registrations or requirements before you open your small business. For example: employment standards, health & safety, intellectual property and more.

12. Identify Permit and Licensing Requirements

BizPaL is a free online tool that helps you find the permits and licences you may require when starting or operating your business.

13. Get Support

Some of the best advice and guidance you can receive will come from experienced business owners. Joining a local business group or networking group is a great way to access experienced entrepreneurs, as well as to find potential clients.

14. Check Out Other Useful Resources

There are a number of other places where small business owners can look for new business opportunities, practical advice and helpful services. Visit the Government of BC website for more information.

For more details and information visit the Government of BC website at:

gov.bc.ca/gov/content/employment-business/business/small-business/resources/starting-a-small-business-guide

Need a new website? Want to market your business? Tackling a research project? Looking for technical skills?

Hire A Co-Op Student!

Need Staff? Co-op Can Help!

Hiring a co-op student is a great way to access skilled short-term support. Co-op students are up-to-date on the latest technologies and trends and are drivers of innovation. They can bring fresh enthusiasm, energy, and ideas to your team. Your business may also be eligible for funding to support hiring costs.







uvic.ca/coop/



camosun.ca/services/ co-operative-education-and-career-services/employers

Quick References

Address Change BC

addresschange.gov.bc.ca

BC Jobs Plan

engage.gov.bc.ca/ govtogetherbc/engagement/ bc-jobs-plan-results

BC Online

bconline.gov.bc.ca/

bcbid.gov.bc.ca

Better Business Bureau of Vancouver Island

https://www.bbb.org/localbbb/bbb-serving-vancouverisland?gad=1

BizPaL

bcbizpal.ca

Business Development Bank of Canada

bdc.ca

Canada Business Network

canada.ca

Canada Revenue Agency

cra-arc.gc.ca

Canadian Franchise Association

cfa.ca

Canadian Intellectual Property Office

cipo.gc.ca

Community Futures British Columbia

communityfutures.ca

Corporate Online

https://www.corporateonline. gov.bc.ca/

Corporations Canada

https://ised-isde.canada.ca/ site/corporations-canada/en

Employers' Advisers Office

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/ gov/content/employmentbusiness/employers/ employers-advisers-office

Employment Standards

https://www2.gov.bc.ca/ gov/content/employmentbusiness/employmentstandards-advice/ employment-standards

eTaxBC

etax.gov.bc.ca/btp/eservices

First Nations in BC Knowledge Network

firstnationsbc.ca

FrontCounter BC

portal.nrs.gov.bc.ca

Futurpreneur

futurpreneur.ca

Industry Training Authority itabc.ca

Innovation, Science and **Economic Development** Canada

https://ised-isde.canada.ca/

Investment Capital Programs

www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/ content/employmentbusiness/investmentcapital/venture-capitalprograms?bcgovtm=2free

Mentorship BC

smallbusinessbc.ca/ contributor/mentorshipbc

Ministry of Small Business and Red Tape Reduction

gov.bc.ca/smallbusiness

OneStop Business Registry onestop.gov.bc.ca

Province of British Columbia

gov.bc.ca

Small Business BC

smallbusinessbc.ca

Small Business Profile Highlights

www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/ employment-business-andeconomic-development/ business-management/smallbusiness/sb profile.pdf

Starting a Restaurant in B.C.

gov.bc.ca/startingarestaurant

Trade and Invest British Columbia

britishcolumbia.ca

Western Economic Diversification Canada

wd-deo.gc.ca/eng/home.asp

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WorkBC Employment Services Centres

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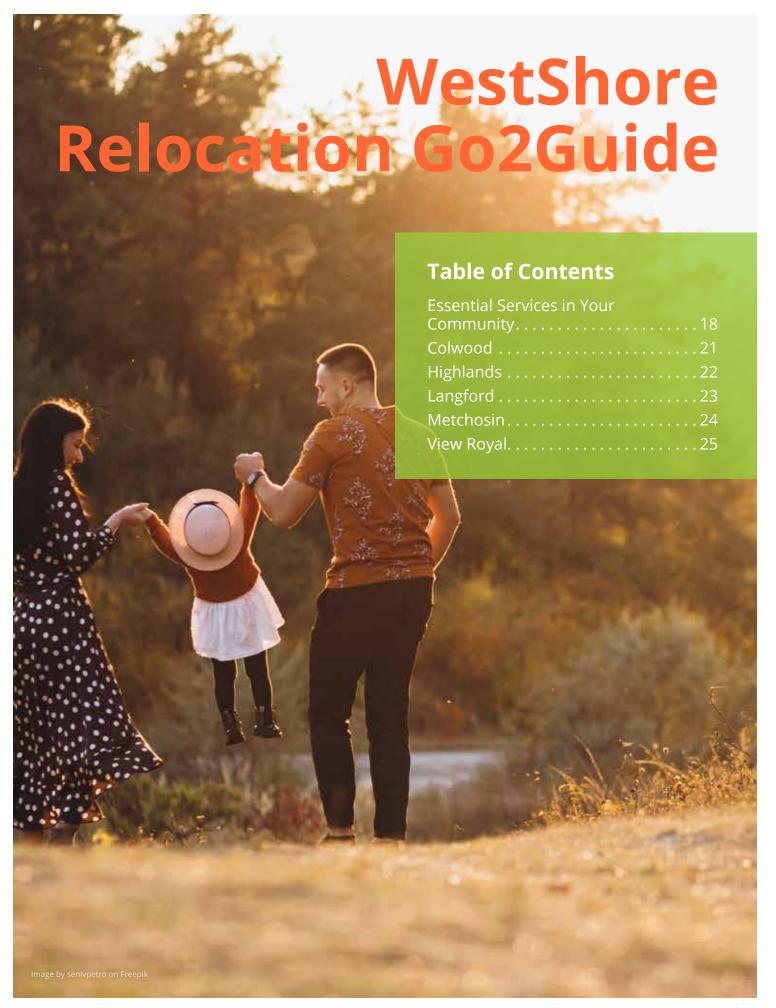
WorkLink Employment Society

worklink.bc.ca

WorkSafeBC

worksafebc.com





Essential Services in Your Community

Municipal Councils

An elected Council comprised of a Mayor and Councillors govern each of their respective communities - Colwood, Highlands, Langford, Metchosin, and View Royal. A list of their individual contacts is available on the city websites:

- City of Colwood | colwood.ca | (250) 478-5999
- City of Langford | langford.ca | (250) 478-7882
- District of Highlands | highlands.ca | (250) 474-1773
- District of Metchosin | metchosin.ca | (250) 474-3167
- Town of View Royal | viewroyal.ca | (250) 479-6800

Public Safety

The West Shore RCMP provides policing service to: City of Langford, City of Colwood, Town of View Royal, District of Metchosin, District of Highlands, Songhees First Nation and Esquimalt First Nation.

If you require immediate assistance, please call 9-1-1

Non-emergency number: (250) 474-2264

For more information on local police services, visit their website at westshore.rcmp-grc.gc.ca

Fire Protection

Fire protection is provided by the Fire Departments throughout the WestShore.

If you require immediate assistance, please call 9-1-1

- Colwood Fire Department | (250) 478-8321 colwood.ca/city-services/fire-department
- Langford Fire Rescue | (250) 478-9555 langford.ca/residents/public-health-and-safety/ fire-rescue/
- Highlands Fire Services highlands.ca/132/Fire-Services
- Metchosin Fire Department | (250) 478-1307 metchosinfire.ca
- View Royal Fire Rescue | (250) 479-7322 https://www.viewroyal.ca/EN/main/town/ departments/fire-rescue.html

Ambulance Services

BC Emergency Health Services provides pre-hospital emergency services and inter-facility patient transfers throughout the province and oversees the BC Ambulance Service and BC Patient Transfer Services.

If you require immediate assistance, please call 9-1-1

Non-emergency number: (800) 461-9911

For more information visit their website at bcehs.ca.

Victoria General Hospital

Serving and caring for the people of Greater Victoria. 1 Hospital Way, Victoria, BC V8Z 6R5 250-727-4212

If you require immediate assistance, please call 9-1-1

If you require health care advice for a non-urgent concern, call HealthLink BC at 811

Further information can be found at: islandhealth.ca/our-locations/

Health Care in British Columbia

Health Insurance BC Website

Use this site to search for information, fill out forms online, download applications and find contact information: www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/about-bc-s-healthcare-system/partners/health-insurance-bc

For specific information on medical service plan and healthcare benefits in BC, visit: gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health

Fair PharmaCare

PharmaCare provides financial assistance to British Columbia residents for eligible prescription drugs and designated medical supplies.

Further information on this program can be found at: gov.bc.ca/gov/content/health/health-drug-coverage/ pharmacare-for-bc-residents

Child Care Resources

PacificCARE

PacificCARE assists parents in finding child care for children newborn to 12 years old for free; and provides training and support to child care providers.

pacific-care.bc.ca

BC Family Child Care Association

BCFCCA is a professional organization of family child care providers. They can provide information on how to find child care, how to get a license and training opportunities for caregivers.

bcfcca.ca

For more information about Community Services, Education, and Health & Wellness please see our Membership Directory.

Motor Vehicle Licensing and Insurance for New Residents

Driver's License

If you are new to British Columbia and drive a vehicle, you need to obtain a BC driver's license within 90 days of moving here. For more information visit:

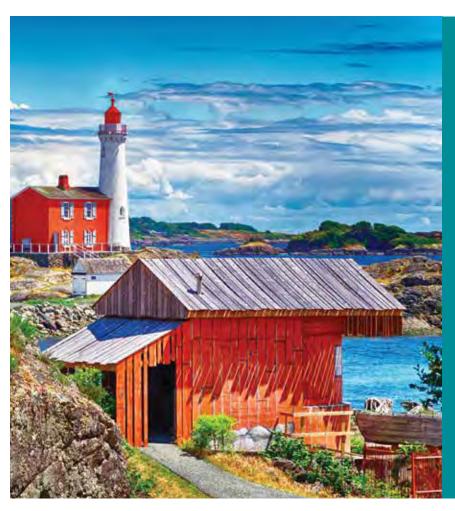
icbc.com/driver-licensing

Students: If you normally reside out-of-province but are attending a recognized BC educational institution, you can continue using your valid non-BC driver's license.

Automobile Insurance

All motorists in BC must carry basic automobile insurance. For residents, it is provided through the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia's (ICBC) Basic Autoplan. For more information visit:

icbc.com/insurance



WORKING FOR OUR COMMUNITY



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Thinking of relocating to the WestShore?

See pages 46 and 47 for a list of our member Realtors who can help you with the purchase of your new home.



Colwood



Spectacular seaside community.

The City of Colwood is a spectacular seaside community set apart by its outstanding natural setting and exceptional quality of life. Just 10km from BC's capital city of Victoria, Colwood is a fast growing, family-friendly seaside community of approximately 18,600 people that enjoys a rich heritage, a unique connection to nature and incredible potential.

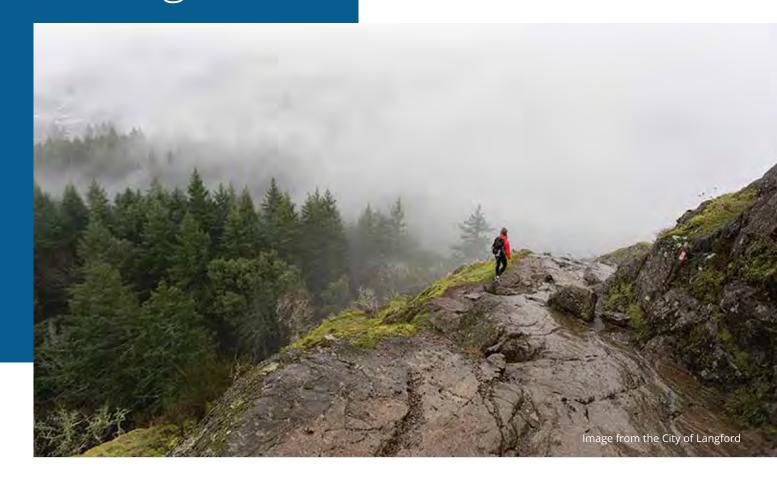
Colwood is nestled along more than 7 kilometers of breathtaking oceanfront and set amongst some of the most beautiful parks and trails on Southern Vancouver Island. Residents will tell you there is no better place to live, work and play.



City of Colwood

3300 Wishart Road, Victoria, BC V9C 1R1 (250) 478-5999 | colwood.ca

Langford



A city surrounded by nature.

The City of Langford is one of the fastest growing cities in Canada. With a young, motivated, hard-working and diverse population, Langford has stacked up some recent awards including Best Community in BC, and #18 in Canada by Maclean's Magazine.

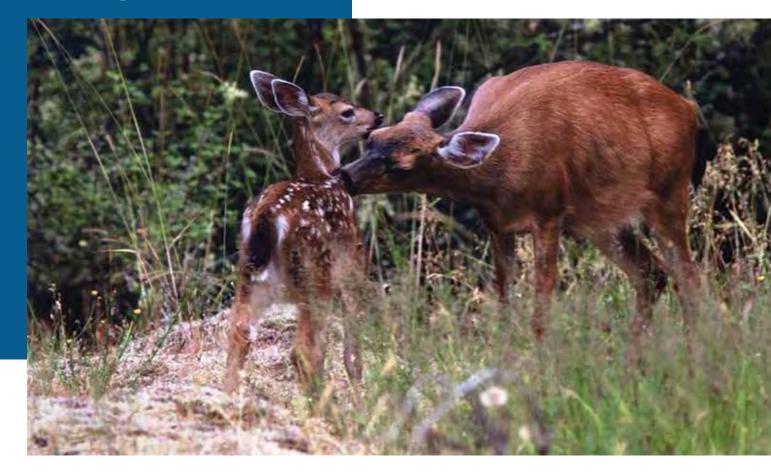
With more than 3,000 businesses, a population of 45,000 and its range of community settings from metropolitan to rural, Langford is the perfect choice for businesses and families. It is a city surrounded by nature. Langford offers all of the shopping and professional services you need while also providing a multitude of outdoor activities—all of this is available within minutes of your front door.



City of Langford

2nd Flr, 877 Goldstream Ave, Victoria, BC V9B 2X8 (250) 478-7882 | cityoflangford.ca

Highlands



An abundance of scenic beauty.

Highlands is a primarily residential community, rural in nature, and blessed with an exceptional abundance of scenic beauty, native plant and animal life, and public parkland. Those who live here place high value on the natural environment and our rural lifestyle.

Highlanders are actively involved in the community, which fosters a spirit that is both self-reliant and cooperative.

Visit us to take in breathtaking mountaintop views or experience our annual Highland Fling.



District of Highlands

1980 Millstream Road, Victoria, BC V9B 6H1 (250) 474-1773 | highlands.ca





A rural paradise of fields, forests and rugged coastline.

Metchosin is a rural community located approximately 16 kilometres southwest of downtown Victoria and is bounded by Colwood, Langford, Sooke, Beecher Bay Reserve and the Strait of Juan de Fuca.

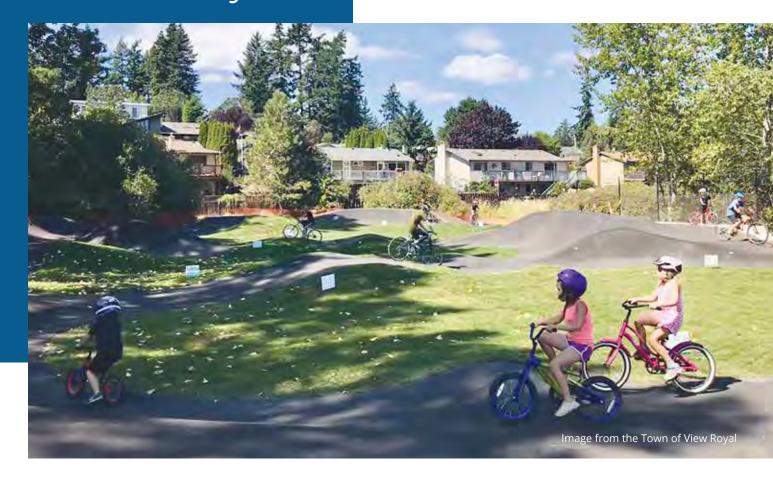
Metchosin contains much of the productive agricultural land within the Capital Regional District which provides food for the local market. It provides opportunity for rural living on large residential lots and on hobby farms. The unique and diverse natural environment with its strong marine orientation provides significant regional recreational opportunity.



District of Metchosin

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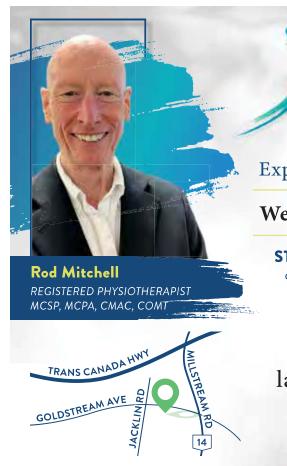
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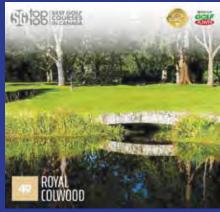
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