

## October CBT Newsletter: Neighbourhood Small Grants, Youth Social Connectedness, & more!



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On behalf of the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust, thank you to everyone who helped make the hišinqwiił regional gathering a unique and memorable event. We hoped to bring people together for a moment for honest reflection about how we can move forward in a positive direction as a region. With Canada150 events taking place across the country, we heard a local need to work on truth and healing. We wanted to respond to this local need. I think we took a few big steps by hearing from all communities about our strengths, history and diversity.

More than 700 people attended the unique event, but more important than the attendance was the participation from every community in the Biosphere Region. For people to come out for the gathering shows a commitment to living and working together. It truly was a regional gathering!

There are many events and programs bringing people together from across the region, but talking about truth, healing and reconciliation is hard work. I encourage everyone to think about how they can respond to the [Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action](#) so that we can walk this road together.

An event of this scale was only possible because of the financial support from Canada150 and the Community Fund for Canada's 150th. We have some ideas about future events at the CBT and are also keen to hear feedback and input from residents. Reconciliation won't be achieved by one event. It is a dialogue we are committed to at the CBT.

We couldn't have done this alone. The partnership with Yuu-cluth-aht Government and Pacific Rim National Park Reserve was phenomenal. We are also very grateful to all of the volunteers, performers, organizations and businesses who contributed to the special day. Klecko, Klecko!

- Rebecca Hurwitz, Executive

Director

## Apply now for the Neighbourhood Small Grants!



[Neighbourhood Small Grants](#) is Vancouver Foundation's unique program to help and support residents to develop community projects and connect with their neighbours.

You have until October 15 to [apply](#) for up to \$500 for a community project or event that brings people together!

## Watch Now: Neighbourhood Small Grants Video

Check out the 2016 Neighbourhood Small Grants (NSG) [video](#) and get inspired for project ideas!

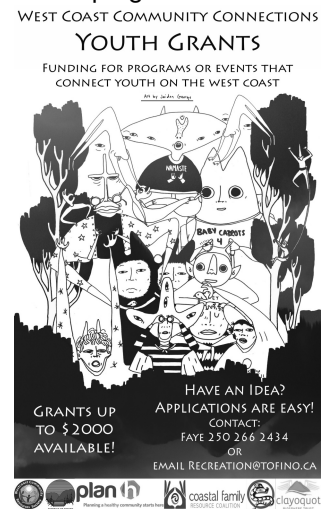


## Seth in the Arctic!

## Youth Social Connectedness

West Coast Community Connections Youth Grants are funding for programs or events that connect youth on the West Coast. Grants up to \$2000 available for local project.

Find the application form [here](#). Please contact CBT Program Coordinator, [Faye Missar](#), for more information about the program.



## Discretionary Funding

The CBT Research and Environment Committee is inviting project applications until November 15.

They have \$5000 remaining in their Discretionary Fund and will review applications before December 1, 2018. Successful applicants will have to be completed before December 1, 2018.

Please see our [website](#) to download an application for Discretionary Funding.

## A Living Wage for the Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Region-update!



In August, we sent a local youth, Seth Stere, on an Arctic expedition with the [Students on Ice](#) Foundation.

Check out some of his photographs and memories of his trip [here](#).

## New Communication & Office Coordinator!



We are thrilled to welcome Laura Di Feo in our CBT team!

As our new Communication & Office Coordinator, she will be responsible for maintaining the day-to-day operations of the CBT and managing our communication.

Laura recently moved to Tofino from Montreal. She has a background in communication and project management, a Bsc. in Physical Geography & Environment and a B.A. in Communication.

## West Coast NEST



Stay connected! [Explore our programs](#) to learn about science, nature, history, language, and



It's been two years since the CBT first published our regional living wage report and we are excited to share the 2017 living wage with you!

[Read the Living Wage Report](#)

Have questions about our living wage? Want to request a presentation on our living wage? Please contact CBT Program Coordinator, [Faye Missar](#).

## Other Grant Opportunities

### Pacific Salmon Foundation Community Salmon Program

*Deadline October 15, 2017*

Funding for projects that support volunteer and community-driven by organizations that undertake salmon conservation and restoration projects in British Columbia and Yukon. Find more information [here](#).

### Invest Canada - Community initiatives

*Deadline October 19, 2017*

Invest Canada-Community Initiatives (ICCI) program provides support to Canadian communities seeking to improve their capacity to attract, retain and expand foreign direct investment (FDI) in order to create jobs for Canadians, support innovation and increase exports. More info [here](#).

### UBCM Community to Community Forum

*Deadline October 20, 2017*

In January 1997, UBCM and the First Nations Summit (FNS) jointly organized the first province-wide Community to Community (C2C) Forum. This event brought together First Nations and local governments from across BC to discuss common goals and opportunities for joint action. Read more about the funding for the C2C program [here](#).

### Aboriginal Arts Development Awards Program

*Deadline October 31, 2017*

The First Peoples' Cultural Council offers arts funding through the Aboriginal Arts Development Awards. Visit the program website [here](#) to learn more about the guidelines and application forms.

### Northern Development Initiative Trust

*Deadline October 31, 2017*

The Trust offers a wide range of funding programs

Indigenous studies.

Upcoming [courses](#) on Marine Emergency Duties, Carpentry, Chainsaw Operator, and Mindfulness!

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## Upcoming Events in our Region

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### West Coast Winter Music Series: RupLoops

*Monday October 23, 2017 at 9:30 am*

Through body percussion and beatboxing, the artist shows and teaches how the body is a musical instrument. Free family concert at the Tofino Community Hall.

### Clayoquot Oyster Festival

*November 17-18, 2017*

The Clayoquot Oyster Festival celebrates Tofino's favourite bivalve. Take a look at their [website](#) to learn more about their various events.

Stay up-to-date and learn more by joining our [facebook event page](#) or visit our [website](#).

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## Upcoming CBT Events

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### CBT Board Meeting



Thursday, October 26, 2017  
10 am - 2 pm  
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## Watch Now Online... Striking Balance: Clayoquot Sound

Our Clayoquot Sound episode is [now available to](#)

[watch on TVQ](#)

and is now accepting applications for projects that are slated to begin in 2018. Find out more about the Trust [here](#).

### Wildlife Habitat Canada Conservation Grant Program

*Deadline November 1, 2017*

Wildlife Habitat Canada works to conserve, restore, and enhance wildlife habitat in Canada. Visit the Wildlife Habitat Canada [website](#) to read about the funding conservation program and review the eligibility requirements and application information.

### Vancouver Foundation: Education & Training Grants

*Deadline November 3, 2017*

Funding for projects that support children and youth to be socially and emotionally ready for school, to help youth with the transition through education systems, and that increase youth employment opportunities. Read funding guidelines [here](#)

### National Resources Canada (NRCan) - Climate Change Adaptation - 2017 Calls for Proposals

*Deadline November 27, 2017*

Solicit proposals for cost-shared projects that address climate change adaptation in the areas of coastal management, energy, mining, economics, infrastructure, forestry and training. Funding for this Call comes from NRCan's Climate Change Adaptation Program. Learn more [here](#).

### Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund

*Deadline announced fall 2017*

As part of the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth on Climate Change, the new Low Carbon Economy Fund will support projects that support clean growth and reduce emissions. More information [here](#)

### Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program

*Various Deadlines*

The program offers funding and learning opportunities designed to enable municipalities to address challenges related to climate change. More info [here](#)

### Municipal Asset Management Program

*Various Deadlines*

This new program will offer training and funding to make infrastructure dollars go further for Canadian communities. More info [here](#)

### BC Music Fund - Various grants!

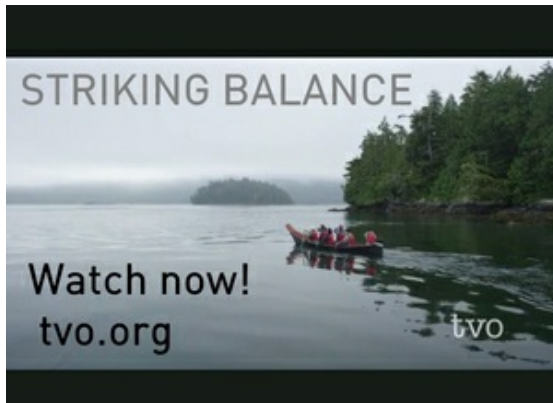
*Various Deadlines*

[Read about the BC Music Fund](#) and the various grant programs designated to support BC artists/performers, music, events, business development and more!

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VITAL CLIMATE 2017

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## VITAL SIGNS® 2016

### Now Available!

*Vital Signs* is a community check-up conducted by community foundations across Canada that measures the vitality of our communities and identifies trends in a range of areas critical to quality of life.

Vital Signs for the Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Region includes Hot Springs Cove, Ahousaht, Opitsaht, Tofino, Esowista/Ty-Histanis, Ucluelet, Hitacu, Macoah, ACRD-Area C.

## READ VITAL SIGNS



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