

NEWSLETTER

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Unleashing Potential,
Transforming Futures

STRATEGIC PLANNING

The North Thompson Communities Foundation provides a pathway to support and address social challenges, inequalities and that improve the well-being of all who reside throughout the North Thompson Valley and surrounding areas. In August, the Board of Directors came together to outline a path to deepen our community impact, grow our assets, and enhance our role as a community leader. Over the next three years, we will focus on three key priorities. This plan sets forth specific, measurable goals to enrich the quality of life across the North Thompson Valley, ensuring we continue to be a vital resource for generations to come.

2026-2028 NTCF Statgic Plan



PARTNERSHIPS

The North Thompson Communities Foundation (NTCF) and Taseko announced the launch of a new Indigenous Priorities Fund, supported with a \$5,000 contribution from the Yellowhead Project.

Administered by the NTCF, the Indigenous Priorities Fund is dedicated to supporting local and regional Indigenous-led programs and projects, with a focus on education, sport, culture, art, and language. The founding partnership reflects a shared commitment to reconciliation and to creating meaningful opportunities for Indigenous people and communities across the North Thompson Valley.

Once invested, proceeds from the fund will be granted annually to qualifying Indigenous programs and projects in the North Thompson region.

Together, NTCF and Taseko are calling on industry and private sector partners to help grow the fund and support initiatives that celebrate and sustain Indigenous knowledge, creativity, and leadership.

Leaving a Legacy

When you leave a gift to the North Thompson Communities Foundation through a donation or in your will, you are creating your legacy – a legacy that, with careful tending, will grow into something for future generations to benefit from, ultimately leaving a gift that helps build a better valley. That's the power of a legacy donation. You can create a bursary or memorial fund, as well as donate to one of our five focus areas that support various organizations, programs and projects.





CLEARWATER CHILDREN'S ART FESTIVAL

On August 7th, the NTCF attended the Children's Art Festival in Clearwater. The North Thompson Arts Council were awarded funds from our Community Impact Grant for art supplies for this year's Arts Festival.

We provided water for all the vendors and families so they could stay hydrated throughout the afternoon. We had a great time chatting with people and watching everyone engaged in art projects.

VOTED BEST IN VALLEY

We are proud to be voted the
North Thompson's Number
One Organization - Best
Organization for Community
Involvement.



SHOVEL IN THE GROUND

Congratulations to the Upper Clearwater Volunteer Fire Brigade. On October 18th the ground was broken on the site of the future firehall.

The North Thompson Communities Foundation granted \$1,000 towards the site plans and Director Cheryl Thomas was in attendance to present the cheque to President Cathy Armstrong.



Membership

The NTCF is excited about its membership...and that includes you. To date, the Foundation now has 114 members, one Junior member and 34 organization members.

As a member you can help influence the well-being of the residents, get involved in giving back, and work together with others who care, creating a positive impact throughout the valley. Members have the ability to apply to join the Board of Directors, vote at the AGM, as well as receive updates on the Foundation and our work in the North Thompson valley.

Please help us spread the word about becoming a member.

MEMBER'S QUESTION

Please submit your answer by using the link or QR Code below.

How would you prefer to contribute to the Foundation?



[Answer Here.](#)

SIP & SUPPORT

The North Thompson Communities Foundation would like to thank everyone who attended our Sip & Support and Art Auction Event on October 25th. Our inaugural event was a "hit".

This community gathering brought together a wide range of residents who tasted a variety of BC wines, beers and ciders, along with bid on a number of local artist's pieces. Proceeds from this event will go towards our Art and Cultural Fund - to support community projects in visual arts, music, theatre, dance, literature and film.

**\$7,019
Raised!**

*Thank
you!*



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"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the grandest intention."

- Oscar Wilde

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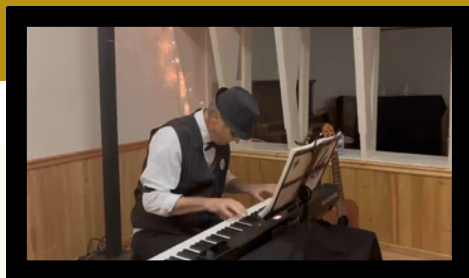


Special Thank you!

- All local artists who donated art for the auction

Marie Downing, Tim Francis, Doris Laner, Cinamen Lampreau, Norma Stewart, Tasha Buchanan, Tracy Corrani, Lynn Nordquest, Josie Wilson, Vaughn Butland, Margaret Houben, Beth Northcott, Isabella Brooklyn, Christine Kashuba, Tamme Fossett, Bob Stirling, Tobias Vyseri, Hilda Reimer, Janice Stark, Sandra York, Tammy Noble, Judy Armstrong, Mystic Dreams, Joanna Hurst

- Sandra J's Charcuterie Bundles (Sandra Realff)
- Stacey Gartner & Pam Realff
- Adam, from The Musicians of Barriere (MOB)
- Bev Murphy
- Jodi Craney
- Bill Fowler



Keep Up-To-Date

To ensure you don't miss out on what we are up to, follow us on [Facebook](#) and check out our [website](#) weekly. Read the [Foundation Voices](#) to see what people are saying about the Foundation.

The Newsletter Issue #3 will be sent out in January, 2026. Stay tuned!
Questions? Please [Contact Us](#).

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Thank You

to all the BC Wineries, Breweries & Cideries who donated to our event.



LET'S DO THIS AGAIN NEXT YEAR!

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GIVING TUESDAY

Tuesday, December 2nd

*A day that inspires people to give,
collaborate, and celebrate generosity.*

The North Thompson Communities Foundation has been supporting local organizations and students in the North Thompson Valley through grants and bursaries for 22 years.

Now it's your opportunity to support the Foundation. Please donate today so we can continue our legacy. Be part of the largest "giving" day of the year. This year all donations will go towards our Bursary Fund.

Collecting donations at
AG Foods, Barriere
11am-5:30pm
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