

## 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

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#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to acknowledge and give thanks to be able to live, work, and learn on the unceded, occupied, ancestral and traditional homelands of the x<sup>w</sup>məθkwəy'əm (Musqueam), Skwxwú7mesh (Squamish) and Səl'ílwəta?/Selilwitulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations

We thank the Nations for sharing their beautiful land, the sun, the air, and water with us and allowing us to strengthen and grow as a family.

We recognize the vast cultural diversity of Indigenous people and acknowledge the importance of their opinions, representation, and culture.

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Our theme "From Roots to Leaves" symbolizes our growth as an organization where deepening our roots allow us to support the fruits of our labours.



DEEPENING OUR ROOTS OF INDIGENOUS BEGINNINGS

OUR INDIGENOUS COUNCIL



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STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- · closing of 2020-2024 priorities
- · beginning of 2025 priorities

· impact quote

OUR FUNDERS

CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOODS





#### OUR INDIGENOUS COUNCIL

Our SVNH Indigenous Council includes SVNH staff, Indigenous knowledge carriers, and other Indigenous agencies and community partners.

Our council is a working group committed to the planning, preparation, and implementation of agreed upon Indigenization projects.

#### GERALDINE LALONDE

ancouver Aboriginal Health
Society Representative



Indigenous Community Ingagement Programmer

LORELEI HAWKINS





ALLIE PEV Indigenous Resource Worker

Vancouver Aborigina
Justice Services
Society



AL HOUSTON Knowledge Carrier

#### COMMUNITY PARTNERS

NILDA BORRINO Executive Director, Marpela Neighbourhood House

LYNDA SOUSA

Director, Quality Improvement and Training
YWCA & WorkEC Centres - Vancouver South

I had the privilege of connecting with dedicated professionals from the Reframing South Vancouver initiative and learning the essential skills, such as effective communication and community development, to be a proactive member of the Neighbourhood Advisory Committee (NAC) in the South Vancouver Neighbourhood House. I was impressed by the success story of this resilient team, showing that even with imited resources, we can create a asting impact.

Among our distinct groups, we also practiced diversity and inclusivity, learning to ensure that all voices are heard and valued. This emphasis on diverse perspectives ensures inclusivity and enriches our understanding of our issues. Mastering it is vital, as we represent the South Vancouver community, the most diverse neighbourhood in Vancouver.



## I am grateful to SVNH for inspiring me to believe in the power of unity & action

BEHAVER
NEIGHBOURHOOD ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER

The program showcased how civil engagement enables us to fortify our community structure and effective communication teams up policymakers, resulting in meaningful change. However, a key takeaway from the training was the realization that staying in our comfort zones can have serious consequences. Our voices risk going unheard, even in a developed city like Vancouver. In contrast, we can transform our community by actively stepping up and advocating for change. This proactive advocacy is a choice and a responsibility we all share.

me with the necessary skills
and seeded a sense of
empowerment in me. I am
grateful to SVNH for inspiring
me to believe in the power of
unity and action. Their support
has motivated me to make a
difference, and I am ready to
take on this challenge!"

#### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMUNITY BOARD CHAIR



Dear SVNH Community Members,

South Vancouver Neighbourhood House is facing unprecedented challenges. Our Food Hub has experienced a 35% increase in demand. A reflection of the growing food insecurity in our community, where now 1 in 5 households struggles to put nutritious meals on their tables. Simultaneously, we've weathered a significant 18% reduction in operational funding following recent provincial budget adjustments.

These financial constraints come at a critical moment when all our programs see record participation. Our childcare services have been particularly impacted, with waitlists growing by 40% this year alone and over 150 families unable to secure spots for their children. This childcare gap affects both family stability and economic participation in our community. The reduction in immigrant settlement funding across British Columbia has particularly impacted our newcomer services, stretching our resources thinner than ever. Yet, the extraordinary SVNH team has demonstrated remarkable resilience. The team of staff and volunteers have implemented innovative approaches to maximize resources establishing new community partnerships, redesigning program delivery models, and launching targeted fundraising initiatives that have already secured \$87,000 in emergency support.

Their unwavering dedication ensures that SVNH remains a vital support hub in South Vancouver. Every day, I witness their compassion and creativity as they serve our diverse community, never compromising on our mission despite dwindling resources. As we navigate these financial headwinds, we actively pursue sustainable funding solutions while advocating equitable resource distribution. With your continued support and the exceptional commitment of our team, I remain confident that SVNH will emerge stronger and more resilient.

With profound gratitude,

Nanette Wong Community Board Chair South Vancouver Neighbourhood House

#### OUR COMMUNITY BOARD

Our community board is comprised of high regarded members of the community that lend their time and expertise to South Vancouver Neighbourhood House



NANETTE WONG MONICA WONG JUNE LIANG Board Chair



Vice Chair



Treasurer



MARION HARTLEY Secretary



AARON SIHOTA AL HOUSTON Member



Notive Cultural Society Member Representative



ANEELMA MORSARA



CHANDRA RAGLIN Member



JUDY JIANG Youth Representative



KHOI NGUYEN Youth Representative



NELSON DIDULO Seniors Hub Representative



ROD RAGLIN Member

#### OUR VALUES

#### æ equitable

Striving to ensure fair and just inclusion wherein all participants can reach their full potential and thrive.

#### empowering 🖔

Building capacity based on strengths of the residents of the neighbourhood

MISSION

VISION

Everyone belongs in an equitable,

diverse and caring community.

Weaving together diverse communities to create a just, equitable and caring society, where people experience a sense of belonging.

#### collaborative 👍

Being community driven and working together with our neighbours, community members and partners.

#### courageous (%)

Providing progressive leadership that embraces complexity and makes difficult decisions when necessary.

#### ABOUT THE GINKO LEAF

The Ginko Tree is considered a living fossil as one of the oldest tree species on Earth. Its leaves symbolize and guide resilience, longevity and hope in the face of all conditions.

#### CLOSING OF 2020 - 2024 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

As we close this chapter of strategic priorities which took root in 2020, we continue to carry on and embed these layers of growth that continue to take root in our future strategic directions.

> REFRAMING SOUTH VANCOUVER

VISIBILITY

CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOODS

SUFFICIENT FUNDING



ABOUT THE TREE TRUNK

The tree trunk is an illustrative indicator of past climate conditions and seasons a tree has weathered through. Its rings tell a visual story of fluctuations, capacity and growth.

#### BEGINNING OF 2025 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

In 2025, we welcome a new season, rerooting and growing from the nutrients and active work connected to our previous priorities.

#### STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS

 Amplifying our Voice
 Mobilizing Equity
 Activating our Networks Deepening & Protecting What Matters Most



#### VALUES

- Cultivating Community Wisdom
   Celebrating Joy
- Shared Leadership

- Intentional Inclusion

# OUR STATISTICS From April 2024 - March 2025 675 VOLUNTEERS

22601
VOLUNTEER
HOURS

**3152** SENIORS

418

YOUTH

571

1903

FAMILIES NE

NEWCOMERS

14048
COMMUNITY
MEALS

**33**SITES

6442

PARTICIPANTS

125 PROGRAMS

27456
FOOD BOXES
DISTRIBUTED

whether it's helping someone develop new skills, providing support to those in need, or simply creating a welcoming space where people feel valued and connected.

Knowing that my efforts contribute to meaningful change makes the experience truly fulfilling."

The most rewarding part

is seeing the positive impact

we make in the community

of my participation

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ABOUT THE SALMONBERRY

The Salmonberry is a plant indigenous to British Columbia. It is an edible, bright berry that is an essential source of food for animals in addition to traditional medicines in Indigenous communities.

Activation

NAC Trainings & Get-Togethers

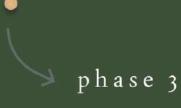
#### REFRAMING SOUTH VANCOUVER

As SVNH's designated advocacy team, the Reframing team is committed to continuing our effort in engaging the community and bringing their voice to decision makers.

#### phase 1

phase 2

NEEDS MAPPING



NAC ESTABLISHMENT (OCTOBER 2022 - MARCH 2023)

phase 4

REPORTING



present





#### CONNECTED NEIGHBOURHOODS

Our neighbourhoods are connected deeply through their connections, stories and captured memories.

"Beyond being a participant,
M. is an invaluable volunteer,
contributing her time and
skills to the Food Hub.
She thrives in the collaborative
environment, building
connections with staff and
fellow volunteers. She also
shares meals she prepares from
the food she receives, fostering
a sense of community and
reciprocity."

"We couldn't be happier
with our experience at
Salmonberry Daycare.

From day one, the staff has been
incredibly kind, attentive, and
genuinely caring toward our
children. It's such a relief knowing
they're in a safe, nurturing
environment where they're not only
well cared for but also learning and
growing every day. Now that they
are almost graduating, seeing the
amount of growth is truly
amazing."

Gloria, Salmonberry CC Parent

> "We saw our preteen programs flourish with a wider selection than last year, especially for newcomer children, and families began approaching us about co-participation with their children."

Michelle

"Volunteering has encouraged me to step out of my comfort zone and grow as a person."

Judy

"As a newcomer,

I have felt welcomed and
included in a new environment.

I have been able to make new friends
and connections through
volunteering."

Joey

Laura

"Not having many friends to begin with,

ADC has helped my father expand his interest

in new things stimulating his brain,

his emotions, his motor skills, and helped him

be more social with others.

Thank you for all that you do ADC Team."

A daughter of our Adult Day Program Participant

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We see South Vancouver as an ecosystem that depends on each other to thrive. Our vision for an equitable, diverse and caring community is earned through collective community symbiosis.

South Vancouver is a vibrant community, made up of a variety of neighbourhoods. We have made a conscious effort to conduct outreach, organize events and programs in addition to providing services across South Vancouver to meet the diverse needs of our neighbours.

> 41ST AVE. 54TH AVE. MARINE DR.



#### MAIN SITE

South Vancouver Neighbourhood House SVNH Southside Hub



#### CHILDCARE PROGRAMS

Salmonberry Childcare Centre SVNH Out of School Care



#### ADULT DAY PROGRAM

Adult Day Centre Beulah Adult Day Centre South Vancouver



#### PRETEEN PROGRAMS

Captain James Cook Elementary Fleming Elementary Cunningham Elementary Waverly Elementary Tecumseh Elementary



#### YOUTH PROGRAMS

David Thompson Secondary School Killarney Secondary School John Oliver Secondary School



#### FOOD HUB SPOKES

St. Thomas Anglican Church Peace Church on 52nd South Vancouver Family Place CityReach Care Society Langara YWCA Refood Rescue Foundation BC Housing - Culloden Court



#### COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Killarney Community Centre Sunset Community Centre Moberly Arts & Cultural Centre

Fraserview VPL Gordon Park

Victoria Square South Hill VPL Memorial Park Sunset Plaza

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BC HOUSING KIDS CLUB Orchard Park Champlain Places Culloden Court

#### REVENUE & EXPENSES

	2025	2024
Revenue	\$	\$
Province of BC Federal Government United Way Contributions from Foundations Other Contributions and Miscellaneous City of Vancouver Earned Income Gaming Donations and Fundraising Interest & Investment Income	3,946,300 2,880,456 1,035,197 401,476 196,326 538,582 640,358 100,000 51,359 131,031	3,711,400 1,808,428 811,764 553,668 407,693 265,459 732,032 100,000 39,012 275,447
	9,921,085	8,704,903
Expenses		
Salaries and Benefits Purchased Services & Subcontracts Program, Food & Transportation Building Occupancy Office Expenses Other Expenses	7,231,042 1,164,108 695,696 460,945 106,679 134,294	5,725,338 1,170,613 658,144 521,546 85,159 100,649
	9,792,764	8,261,449
Excess (deficit) of revenue over expenses from operations  Amortization of deferred property and equipment contributions  Amortization of property and equipment Unrealized gain (loss) on investments	128,321 137,146 (256,211) 45,463	443,454 155,463 (231,797) (59,659)
Excess (deficit) of revenue over expenses	54,719	307,461

#### THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDERS

At South Vancouver Neighborhood House, our funders fuel our vision and aid us in supporting our mission for healthy and engaged communities in South Vancouver.















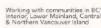






























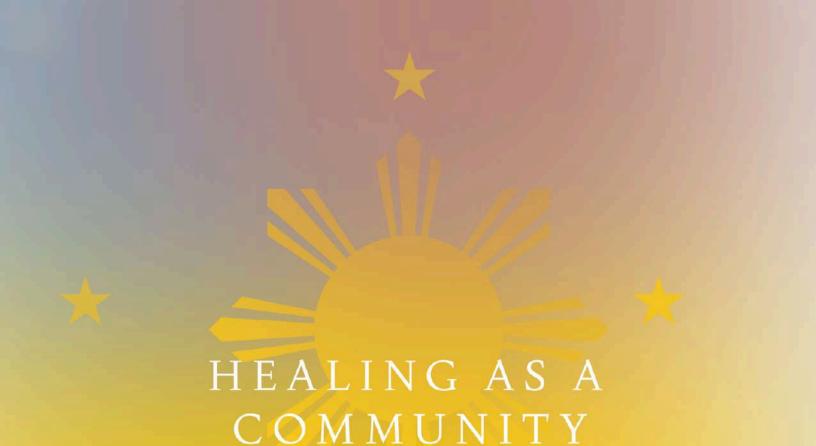












As an organization in the heart of South Vancouver, we find strength to uplift our communities through times of hardship and resilience. Through the months following the tragic events at Lapu Lapu Day 2025, we give hope to those in our communities. Through Indigenous healing ceremonies and multi-faith prayers, we honour the sacredness of those who have lost their lives, and support those that are living in finding safety and meaning through strengthened and blossomed community.

COMMUNITY HEALING CEREMONY
AT SOUTH VANCOUVER NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE





### THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are the heart of South Vancouver Neighbourhood House.

Your dedication and tireless efforts have truly made a difference in our community.

Thank you for your selflessness, generosity, and commitment to making South Vancouver a better place for all. Your kindness shines bright and your contributions are deeply appreciated.

Thank you for being the heart of our community.





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