

Welcome Our New NPO



NPO Constable Todd Blower with volunteer Abby Robles

Hastings Sunrise has a new Neighbourhood Police Officer and he's more than happy to be here.

Constable Todd Blower has taken over from Const. Kimberly Albright, who moved west to become the NPO for Grandview-Woodlands.

He's a veteran of policing in District Two, which encompasses Hastings Sunrise and all northeast Vancouver. "I've been in Operations in District Two for 11 ½ years, more than half of my career," says Const. Blower. "And I spent the last seven years in the Downtown East Side."

So he is looking forward to helping the Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre (HSCPC) further its mandate to make our neighbourhood as safe, clean and welcoming as it can be.

"We are sad to see Constable Kim Albright move on," says Clair MacGougan, the HSCPC's executive director. "She's contributed a lot to our community and will be missed."

"We are very pleased to welcome Todd to our team. He's hit the deck running and has already made an impact with volunteers and in the neighbourhood."

Const. Blower's career path was sealed when he went for a ride-along with a local RCMP member at age 16 in his hometown of Parksville, on northern Vancouver Island. Until then, he was unsure whether he wanted to be a teacher or a policeman.

He studied criminology at Vancouver Island University, then finished a degree in criminology and psychology at Simon Fraser University.

He lives in Coquitlam with four children in a blended family, a son and three daughters aged 19 to 23, and he likes to golf. ■



Stephan Hinguant photo

Watch for Coyotes

In light of increasing concerns about coyote-related incidents in the Hastings Sunrise area, the Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre (HSCPC) recently hosted a coyote safety educational presentation provided by the Stanley Park Ecology Society (SPES).

"This area connects green belts and will likely always have coyotes travelling through," according to Nadia Xenakis, urban wildlife programs coordinator for the society.

"As there are a lot of townhouse complexes and buildings with high population densities, things like proper garbage management and keeping cats indoors are key."

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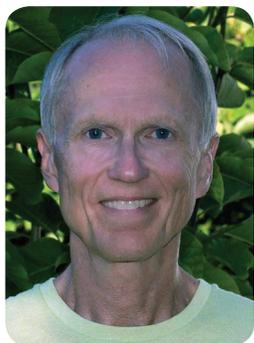
Working together for a safe community

The Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre works in partnership with the Vancouver Police Department

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From Good Hands to Good Hands



Gary Dobbin

When Gary Dobbin retires as executive director at Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House (FHNH) this winter, he leaves an organization that has grown a lot – in every sense of the word.

When Gary started in January 1994, Frog Hollow had 10 staff members and only a handful of programs. It now has around 120 staff and is an integral part of the fabric of the local community.

With a budget of about \$6.9 million, it is committed to deliver programs and services to support people in need – such as childcare; programs for kids, youth, families, seniors and newcomers; food security and computer literacy. Throughout, they build bridges between cultures and people through the lens of Indigenous principles and leadership.

“The things that I enjoyed most about FHNH were being creative in developing new services and initiatives,” says Gary. “I’m really passionate about connecting

people and creating a sense of belonging. I have been very fortunate to work with so many diverse and interesting people that are all invested in learning and growing. There was never a dull moment in my whole career and not once did I consider leaving Frog Hollow!”

In retirement he will spend more time on his favourite hobby – photography – but he will also dearly miss seeing people’s enjoyment at Frog Hollow and chatting with the daycare kids. Luckily, Gary will continue to provide support to “his baby”, Frog Hollow’s Reggio Emilia-inspired Learning Centre, whose approach encourages exploration, reflection and collaboration between educators and children.

The vision of Frog Hollow’s future is one that he shares with incoming Executive Director Norm Leech: A redevelopment to create a bigger and better space for services, including housing, to better meet the needs of Vancouver’s families.

“Norm will be amazing at his job. Very few Indigenous leaders run non-Indigenous organizations and Norm brings the knowledge and skills to make meaningful connections and bring people together,” says Gary. “It is a real opportunity for FHNH to take action on reconciliation and decolonization.”

As executive director at the Aboriginal Community Policing Centre (ACPC) for over six years, Norm Leech has



Norm Leech

been working closely with FHNH for three years, including the WaacusSalee Frog Spirit Project. “I have always been impressed by their work and familial atmosphere and I’m excited to build on this strength,” says Norm. “My first priority will be to learn and listen and, luckily, we have a strong staff team that reflects our values of collaboration and building a strong connection to our land and plants.”

Norm Leech takes over as executive director at Frog Hollow in March 2023.

■ *Nina Kreis*



Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House at 2131 Renfrew is a vital and welcoming resource in Hastings Sunrise

Be a Role Model: Take The Cleanup Challenge!

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Jayson Cuizon has many reasons why he enjoys volunteering in the Hastings Sunrise Community Policing Centre's Community Cleanup Program.

show initiative," Jayson adds. "Making a difference and taking ownership of the space I live in is very important to me. It's also a message to the community, showing them that we care and it hopefully discourages people from littering."

Apart from the actual work, it's the team spirit that keeps Jayson at the Hastings Sunrise CPC: "I meet new people every weekend and the community is really friendly. Community members smile at us and thank us for our work, which is really encouraging."

The HSCPC is also participating in the City of Vancouver's Cleanup Kickoff Challenge from March 22 to April 22, to kickstart this year's cleanup season. During that time, patrons can pick up and drop off cleanup equipment at the HSCPC office to facilitate their very own

"Most importantly, it gets me outside, away from the computer, and allows me to de-stress by engaging in physical activity. After I have joined a cleanup event on Saturday morning, I am ready for the weekend because it takes my brain off work," says Jayson.

He joined the community cleanup team in January 2022 and comes out regularly on



Saturdays for two hours to pick up litter or paint over graffiti in Hastings Sunrise. His motivation was to be a role model for his three sons and to show them how important it is to get involved and give back to the community.

neighbourhood cleanup party!

If you are interested in joining the HSCPC's community cleanup team, or participating in the city-wide event, email us at info@hscpc.com or call 604-717-3584.

■ *Nina Kreis*

"I want to take care of my environment and

App Links to City Services

Have you noticed that your trash has not been picked up this week? Do you want to submit a maintenance issue about the street or sidewalk? Are you looking for your local community center?

Then the Van311 app is for you. It gives you access to the City of Vancouver to report, find information, and really interact with the city, without physically going to their office.

Last fall, Vancouver released the Van311 app to replace the seven-year-old VanConnect app. The old app required critical upgrades and a full system replacement. The City felt that the time and cost to upgrade would be better spent developing a new and improved app for Vancouver residents.

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Stephan Hinguant photo

Here's how to keep safe from coyotes:

1. Audit your properties and neighbourhoods for attractants (shelter and food)
2. Keep dogs leashed and cats indoors
3. Conduct hazing when encountering a coyote that is lingering or getting too close (scream, wave your arms, walk towards coyote, use airhorns, throw objects NEAR not AT the coyote, etc.)

You can report coyote sightings by using 311 or through the SPES website: <https://stanleyparkecology.ca/ecology/co-existing-with-coyotes/report-a-sighting/>

If you encounter an aggressive coyote --ears lowered, gaze fixed, teeth bared, growling, hackles raised--or see someone directly feeding a coyote, immediately contact the BC Conservation Officer Service through the RAPP line: 1-877-952-7277

If you encounter an injured or sick coyote, you can try calling Critter Care Wildlife Society, the only wildlife rehabilitation center in the Lower Mainland for native mammal species: 604-530-2064

If you see an abandoned property (that may provide a denning or shelter site to coyotes), or garbage buildup, call 311.

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Shredding Fundraiser



It's that time again to gather your sensitive paper documents in preparation for the annual Hastings Sunrise Shredding Day.

You can protect yourself – and declutter! – by bringing those documents to the Sunrise Square Parking lot, 2500 Franklin St., from 10am to 1pm on Saturday May 6.

Volunteers from the Hastings Sunrise CPC will be there to transfer them to a mobile shredding truck generously donated by Best Shredding. The event is co-sponsored by the Hastings North Business Improvement Association.

You can protect your identity and help keep our neighbourhood safe by making a suggested donation of \$10 for each bankers-box-sized volume of papers to be shredded. All proceeds go toward HSCPC programs.

Questions? Contact us at 604-717-3584 or email info@hscpc.com.

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Since this is a new app, residents must register again because it provides new services on a new platform.

The Van311 app's new features make it easier to submit a service request and offer improved status and resolution notifications. Other new features of the app include: 50+ new service request types, like requesting a replacement garbage or green bin, reporting an issue with your home's water pressure or quality, getting help with your residential parking permit, and more!



- Improved service status and resolution messaging
- Locate the nearest community centre, park, and road closures
- Submit service requests without creating an account
- Inclusion of comment forms for leaving feedback to City Council

You can download Van311 in the App Store and Google Play store.

■ Meghan Wong

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新上任的社區警察

Hastings Sunrise 來了一位新的社區警察 Todd Blower，他很高興來到這裡。

由於 Kimberly Albright 已調到西部成為 Grandview-Woodlands 的社區警察，Todd Blower 便接手他 Hasting Sunrise 的崗位。

他是第二區富有經驗的警察，該區包括 Hastings Sunrise 和整個溫哥華東北部。“我在第二區的運營部門工作了十一年半，佔我職業生涯的一半以上。”他說：“過去七年我都在市中心東區工作。”因此，他期待著幫助 Hasting Sunrise 社區警務中心 (HSCPC) 進一步履行職責，使我們的社區盡可能安全、整潔和溫馨。

HSCPC 的執行董事 Clair MacGougan 說：“我們很遺憾警員 Kim Albright 的離去。她為我們的社區曾做出很多貢獻，我們會想念她。



新來的社區警察 Todd Blower 和
志願者 Abby Robles

“我們非常高興地歡迎 Todd 加入我們的團隊。他一騎絕塵，便把志願者和社區產生了影響。”當他 16 歲時，他曾與一位位於溫哥華島北部 Parksville 故鄉的 RCMP 成員一起兜風，那時，他的職業道路便就此確定。在那之前，他還不確定自己是想當老師還是當警察。

他在 Vancouver Island University 修讀犯罪學，然後再在 Simon Fraser University 獲得犯罪學和心理學學位。

他現居住在高貴林，他重組的家庭有四個孩子——一個兒子和三個女兒，年齡在 19 至 23 歲之間。他喜歡打高爾夫球。

碎紙日預告

2023年春季新聞通訊 - 碎紙日故事

又到了一年一度 Hastings Sunrise CPC 碎紙日，快收集好你待碎的敏感文件！

你可於 5 月 6 日禮拜六早上 10 時至下午 1 時，將你的文件帶到 2500 Franklin Street, Sunrise Square 停車場，既可保護私隱，又趁機整理案頭！

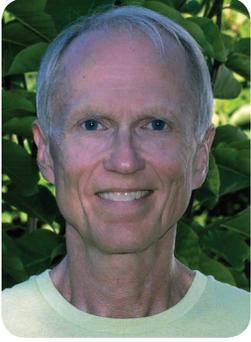
Hasting Sunrise CPC 義工將在那裡把它們轉移到由 Best Shredding 慷慨捐贈的移動碎紙車上。這次活動由 Hasting Sunrise CPC 與 Hasting North Business Improvement Association 共同贊助。

你不但可以保護你的身份，幫助環保，並且加入 Best Shredding 以幫助保護我們社區的安全。建議每個銀行箱大小的待碎紙捐贈 10 元。所有收益都用於 Hasting Sunrise CPC 計劃。

如有問題，可致電 604-717-3584 或發送電子郵件至 info@hscpc.com 聯絡 HSCPC。



Frog Hollow Neighbourhood House



Gary Dobbin

Gary Dobbin, Frog Hollow Neighborhood House 的執行董事退休了

今年冬天，Gary Dobbin從 Frog Hollow Neighborhood House(FHNN) 的執行董事職位退休時，他離開了這間在各个方面都已经發展進步的組織。

Gary於1994年1月加入時，Frog Hollow只有10名員工和少數項目。它現在大約有120名員工，是當地社區結構不可或缺的一部分。

FHNN的預算約為690萬美元，致力於提供計劃和服務來支持有需要的人——例如兒童照顧；針對兒童、青年、家庭、老年人和新移民的計劃；食品安全和電腦知識。自始至終，他們通過原住民原則和領導力的視角，為不同文化和人民之間建立橋樑。

Gary 說：『我最喜歡 FHNN 的是它很有創意地開發新服務和計劃。』『我真的很熱衷於將人們聯繫起來，並營造歸屬感。我很幸運能與這麼多不同且有趣的人一起工作，他們都致力於學習和成長。在我的整個職業生涯中，從未有過沉悶的時刻，我也從未考慮過離開 Frog Hollow！』

退休後，他將花更多時間在他最喜歡的愛好——攝影上，但他也會非常想念人們在 Frog Hollow 的歡樂時光以及與日託中心的孩子們聊天。幸運的是，Gary 將繼續支持『他的寶貝』——Frog Hollow 受 Reggio Emilia啟發的學習中心。該中心的方針是鼓勵教育工作者與兒童之間的探索、反思和合作。

他與即將上任的執行董事 Norm Leech 分享了 Frog Hollow 未來的願景：重建以創造更大更好的服務空間，包括住房，以更好地滿足溫哥華家庭的需求。

『Norm 會在他的工作中有出色的表現。很少有原住民領導者經營非原住民組織，而 Norm帶來了知識和技能來建立有意義的聯繫，並將人們聚集在一起。』Gary 說。『這是 FHNN 採取和解與非殖民化行動的真正機會。』

Norm Leech過去擔任了六年多原住民社區警務中心 (ACPC) 的執行董事，與 FHNN有三年多密切的合作，包括 WaacusSalee Frog Spirit 項目。Norm說：『我一直對他們的工作和家庭氛圍印象深刻，我很高興能在這優勢上繼續發展，我的首要任務是學習和聆聽，幸運的是我們擁有一支強大的員工團隊，他們實現了我們的合作價值觀，並與我們的土地和植物建立了牢固的聯繫。』



Norm Leech

Norm Leech 將於 2023年3月接任 Frog Hollow 的執行董事。

■ Nina Kreis



位於2131 Renfrew的Hasting Sunrise 是一個重要而且受歡迎的社區