METRO VANCOUVER’S
GUIDE TO FIRST NATION COMMUNITIES
with Interests in the Region
2019
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INTRODUCTION

One of the objectives in Metro Vancouver Board’s Strategic Plan is to “enhance relationships between Metro Vancouver and other orders of government, First Nations and stakeholders.”

This document is a resource guide for building and fostering better local government- First Nation relations. Metro Vancouver’s *Guide to First Nation Communities* provides Metro Vancouver, its Board, committees, and the public with information on neighbouring First Nations and First Nations outside Metro Vancouver that have interests within the region.

METRO VANCOUVER’S INDIGENOUS RELATIONS PROGRAM:

• Provides advice, information and support on First Nations’ interests that may affect corporate programs, initiatives and projects

• Responds to pan-municipal First Nation issues

• Represents and supports Metro Vancouver local government interests at treaty negotiation tables and related activities, and

• Provides staff support to the Metro Vancouver Board’s Indigenous Relations Committee and the Municipal Technical Advisory Committee on Indigenous Relations (MTAC)

For additional information on Indigenous Relations, please contact Metro Vancouver: 604-436-6745; IndigenousRelationsRequests@metrovancouver.org
FIRST NATION RESERVES AND TREATY LANDS IN METRO VANCOUVER
KATZIE FIRST NATION
(“Kate-zee”)

Katzie’s five Indian Reserves are located within four different Metro Vancouver jurisdictions: Pitt Meadows, Maple Ridge, Township of Langley, and two Indian Reserves within Metro Vancouver’s Electoral Area ‘A’.

Katzie’s main reserve (Katzie Indian Reserve No. 1) is located in Pitt Meadows. The First Nation has the largest reserve in the region (Pitt Lake I.R. No. 4, 2.18 sq.km.) as well as some of the smallest reserves (Katzie I.R. No. 2, Barnston Island I.R. No. 3, and Graveyard I.R. No. 5, a cemetery).

The name “Katzie”, or q’eyts’i, describes the action of a person’s foot pressing down on moss.

| CONTACT | 19700 Salish Road  
Pitt Meadows, BC V3Y 2G6  
Tel: 604.465.8961  Fax: 604.465.5949  
Email: reception@katzie.ca and katzie@direct.ca  
Web: www.katzie.org |
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<td>Stage 4: Agreement-in-Principle stage - Active Negotiations</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Grace Cunningham  
Councillor Rick Bailey  
Councillor Peter James  
Councillor David Kenworthy |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 592  
Living on own reserves 302  
Living on other reserves 12  
Living off reserve 278 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 335.2 Hectares  
Katzie I.R. No. 1 (43.1)  
Katzie I.R. No. 2 (23.1)  
Barnston Island I.R. No. 3 (54.6)  
Pitt Lake I.R. No. 4 (214)  
Graveyard I.R. No. 5 (0.4) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Katzie I.R. No. 1 – 262  
Katzie I.R. No. 2 – 40  
Barnston Island I.R. No. 3 – 49 |

* Sources: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Katzie First Nation; BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing

** Source: Census 2016
KATZIE STATEMENT OF INTENT

# KWANTLEN FIRST NATION

("Kwant-len")

Three of Kwantlen First Nation’s six Indian Reserves are located within the Metro Vancouver region. The other reserves are located within the Fraser Valley Regional District.

The name “Kwantlen” translates into “tireless runners.”

| CONTACT | 23690 Gabriel Lane, PO Box 108  
Fort Langley, BC V1M 2R4  
Tel: 604.888.5556  
Web: www.seyemkwantlen.ca |
| STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS | Not in the BC Treaty Process |
| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Marilyn Gabriel  
Councillor Tumia Knott  
Councillor Leslie Antone |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 298  
Living on own reserves 72  
Living on other reserves 36  
Living off reserve 190 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* INDIAN RESERVES OUTSIDE OF MV NOT SHOWN | Total: 356 Hectares  
McMillan Island I.R. No. 6 (181)  
Langley I.R. No. 5 (140.6)  
Whonnock I.R. No. 1 (34.4) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | McMillan Island I.R. No. 6 – 94  
Langley I.R. No. 5 – 0  
Whonnock I.R No. 1 – 0 |

* Sources: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; BC Treaty Commission, Kwantlen First Nation, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing  
** Source: Census 2016
**KWIKWETLEM FIRST NATION**

(“Kwik-wet-lem”)

Kwikwetlem has two Indian Reserves: Coquitlam I.R. No. 1 is located in Coquitlam, at the mouth of Coquitlam River, where it drains into the Fraser River; and Coquitlam I.R. No. 2 is located further up the Coquitlam River in Port Coquitlam.

The name “Kwikwetlem” means “red fish up the river.”

| CONTACT | 2-65 Colony Farm Road  
| Coquitlam, BC V3C 5X9  
| Tel: 604.540.0680  
| Fax: 604.525.0772  
| Email: reception@kwikwetlem.com  
| Web: www.kwikwetlem.com |

| STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS | Not in the BC Treaty Process |

| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Ed Hall  
| Councillor John Peters  
| Councillor George Chaffee |

| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 115  
| Living on own reserves 43  
| Living on other reserves 4  
| Living off reserve 68 |

| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 68 Hectares  
| Coquitlam I.R. No. 1 (2.6)  
| Coquitlam I.R. No. 2 (81.9) |

| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Coquitlam I.R. No. 1 – 54  
| Coquitlam I.R. No. 2 – 0 |

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* Sources: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Kwikwetlem First Nation; BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing

** Source: Census 2016
MATSQUI FIRST NATION
("Mats-sqwee")

Matsqui First Nation has four reserves but only one is located within Metro Vancouver. Matsqui I.R. No. 4 is in the Township of Langley, where a majority of the First Nation members live.

The name “Matsqui” translates into “easy portage” or “easy travelling.”

Matsqui First Nation is affiliated with the Stó:lō Nation, an alliance of 11 First Nation communities in the Fraser Valley.

| CONTACT | 31989 Harris Road, PO Box 10
Matsqui, BC V4X 3R2
Tel: 604.826.6145  Fax: 604.826.7009
Email: matsquiband@shaw.ca |
| STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS | Currently not in treaty negotiations |
| AFFILIATION | Stó:lō Nation |
| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Alice McKay
Councillor Louis Julian
Councillor Brenda Morgan |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 263
Living on own reserves 98
Living on other reserves 16
Living off reserve 149 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 24.3 Hectares
Matsqui I.R. No. 4 (24.3) |
| INDIAN RESERVES OUTSIDE OF MV NOT SHOWN | |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Matsqui I.R. No. 4 – 471 |

** Source: Census 2016
MATSQUI FIRST NATION RESERVE

Legend
Matsqui Reserve
MATSQUI 4

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MUSQUEAM INDIAN BAND
(“Mus-kwee-um”)

Musqueam’s three reserves are located in Vancouver, Richmond and Delta.

Musqueam’s main community is located in the marshy lowlands overlooking the north arm of the Fraser River (in the south-west corner of Vancouver) and the species of grass that once thrived on the foreshore may be the root of the First Nation’s traditional name, X’muzk’i’um.

| CONTACT | 6735 Salish Drive  
|         | Vancouver, BC V6N 4C4  
|         | Tel: 604.263.3261 Fax: 604.263.4212  
|         | Web: www.musqueam.bc.ca |
| STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS | Stage 4: Agreement-in-Principle stage - not negotiating |
| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Wayne Sparrow  
|                       | Councillor Rosalind Campbell  
|                       | Councillor Nolan Charles  
|                       | Councillor Allyson Fraser  
|                       | Councillor Gordon Grant  
|                       | Councillor Howard Grant  
|                       | Councillor Wendy Grant-John  
|                       | Councillor Morgan Guerin  
|                       | Councillor Tammy Harkey  
|                       | Councillor Michele Point  
|                       | Councillor Nora Stogan |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 1,418  
|                                              | Living on own reserves 668  
|                                              | Living on other reserves 126  
|                                              | Living off reserve 624 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 273.0 Hectares  
|                                    | Musqueam I.R. No. 2 (209.2)  
|                                    | Musqueam I.R. No. 4 (57.3)  
|                                    | Sea Island I.R. No. 3 (6.5) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Musqueam I.R. No. 2 – 1,652  
|                                    | Musqueam I.R. No. 4 – 10 |

* Sources: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Musqueam Indian Band; BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing

**Source: Census 2016
MUSQUEAM INDIAN BAND RESERVES

Musqueam Indian Band: [Link to Map]

MUSQUEAM DECLARATION

Musqueam Indian Band: [Link to Declaration]

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Metro Vancouver’s Guide to First Nation Communities with Interests in the Region 2019
Semiahmoo First Nation has one reserve located in South Surrey.

The name “Semiahmoo” means ‘half-moon’. The name has been attributed to the curved shape of the bay on which the ancestral village was located.

| CONTACT | 16049 Beach Road  
Surrey, BC V3S 9R6  
Tel: 604.536.3101  
Fax: 604.536.6116  
Web: www.semiahmoofirstnation.org |
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<td>STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS</td>
<td>Not in the BC Treaty Process</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Harley Chappell  
Councillor Joanne Charles  
Councillor Jennine Cook |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 99  
Living on own reserves 50  
Living on other reserves 7  
Living off reserve 42 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 129.1 Hectares  
Semiahmoo I.R. (129.1) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Semiahmoo I.R. – 120 |

* Source: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Semiahmoo First Nation, BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing

**Source: Census 2016
SEMIAHMOO FIRST NATION RESERVE
SQUAMISH NATION
(“Squa-mish”)

On July 23, 1923, 16 Squamish-speaking tribes amalgamated to form the Squamish Nation “to guarantee equality to all Squamish and to ensure good government.” *

Today, Squamish Nation is the largest First Nation in the region in terms of the number of reserves, combined area of reserves, Registered Indian population, and total member population on its reserves. Members of the Squamish Nation continue to live primarily at the North Vancouver reserves – Mission, Capilano and Seymour – and at four of nine reserves in the Squamish Valley to the north.

| CONTACT | PO Box 86131, North Vancouver, BC V7L 4J5  
Tel: 604.980.4553   Fax: 604.980.4523  
Web: www.squamish.net  
Email: communications@squamish.net |
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<td>STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS</td>
<td>Stage 3: Framework Agreement stage - not negotiating</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Co-Chair Councillor Kristen Rivers  
Co-Chair Councillor Joshua Joseph  
Councillor Orene Askew  
Councillor Alroy ‘Bucky’ Baker  
Councillor Deborah ‘Debbie’ Baker  
Councillor Richard ‘Ritchie’ Baker  
Councillor Brandon Darbyshire-Joseph  
Councillor/Chief Ian Campbell  
Councillor Carla George  
Councillor Deanna Lewis  
Councillor Jacob Lewis III  
Councillor Christopher Lewis  
Councillor Dustin Rivers  
Councillor Joyce Williams  
Councillor Wilson Williams  
Councillor Marcus Wooden |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 4,273  
Living on own reserves 2,217  
Living on other reserves 192  
Living on no band Crown land 1  
Living off reserve 1,863 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)*  
INDIAN RESERVES OUTSIDE OF MV NOT SHOWN | Total: 265.1 Hectares  
Capilano I.R. No. 5 (155.6)  
Kitsilano I.R. No. 6 (4.4)  
Mission I.R. No. 1 (59.6)  
Seymour Creek I.R. No. 2 (45.5) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Capilano I.R. No. 5 – 2,931  
Mission I.R. No. 1 – 576  
Seymour Creek I.R. No. 2 – 123 |

* Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; Squamish Nation, BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing  
** Source: Census 2016
SQUAMISH NATION RESERVES

SQUAMISH STATEMENT OF INTENT

TSAWWASSEN FIRST NATION
(“Tsa-wah-sen”)

On April 3, 2009, Tsawwassen First Nation ratified the first urban treaty in British Columbia, thereby reconciling Aboriginal rights and title and fulfilling its right to self-government. The treaty provides Tsawwassen with jurisdiction over its land base of 724 hectares. On that date, Tsawwassen also became a full member of Metro Vancouver (both the Metro Vancouver Regional District and Greater Vancouver Water District).

Tsawwassen Lands are located on the coast overlooking the Strait of Georgia, near the Tsawwassen Ferry Terminal. The name “Tsawwassen” means “land facing the sea.”

| CONTACT | 1926 Tsawwassen Drive  
|          | Tsawwassen, BC V4M 4G2  
|          | Tel: 604.943.2112  
|          | Fax: 604.943.9226  
|          | Email: info@tsawwassenfirstnation.com  
|          | Web: www.tsawwassenfirstnation.com |

| STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS | Treaty First Nation effective April 3, 2009 |

| TRIBAL ASSOCIATION | Naut’sa mawt Tribal Council |

| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Ken Baird  
|                       | Executive Councillor Laura Cassidy  
|                       | Executive Councillor Louise Ahlm  
|                       | Executive Councillor Steve Stark  
|                       | Executive Councillor Valerie Cross-Blackett |

| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 376  
|                                           | Living on Treaty Lands 187  
|                                           | Living on other reserves 8  
|                                           | Living off Treaty Lands 181 |

| TREATY LANDS IN METRO VANCOUVER (HECTARES) | Total: 724 Hectares |

| REGISTERED POPULATION ON TREATY LANDS** | Tsawwassen Lands – 816 |

* Sources: Tsawwassen First Nation; BC Treaty Commission, BC Assembly of First Nations, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing

**Source: Census 2016
TSAWWASSEN LANDS

TSAWWASSEN STATEMENT OF INTENT

TSLEIL-WAUTUTH NATION
(“Slay-wa-tuth”)

Tsleil-Waututh Nation community members, the “people of the inlet”, live near, but not quite on, Indian Arm looking out across the Burrard Inlet.

Tsleil-Waututh Nation has three reserves. The main community is located on Burrard Inlet I.R. No. 3 in North Vancouver. Tsleil-Waututh Nation’s land base of 110.7 hectares is the second smallest of the First Nations located within Metro Vancouver.

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North Vancouver, BC V7H 2V6 
Tel: 604.929.3454   Fax: 604.929.4714 
Web: https://twnation.ca/ |
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<td>Naut'sa mawt Tribal Council</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Leah George-Wilson 
Councillor Justin George 
Councillor Vanessa Gonzalez 
Councillor Curtis Thomas 
Councillor Jen Thomas |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 597 
Living on own reserves 287 
Living on other reserves 49 
Living off reserve 261 |
| INDIAN RESERVES IN MV (HECTARES)* | Total: 110.7 Hectares 
Burrard Inlet I.R. No. 3 (108.2) 
Inlailawatash I.R. No. 4 (0.5) 
Inlailawatash I.R. No. 4A (2) |
| REGISTERED POPULATION ON RESERVES** | Burrard Inlet I.R. No. 3 – 1,855 |

* Sources: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada; BC Treaty Commission, Government of BC First Nation A-Z Listing; Tsleil-Waututh Nation; 
**Source: Census 2016
TSLEIL-WAUTUTH NATION RESERVES

TSLEIL-WAUTUTH STATEMENT OF INTENT

QAYQAYT FIRST NATION
(“Key-kite”)

Qayqayt First Nation (New Westminster Indian Band) has the distinction of being one of the smallest First Nations in Canada (in terms of its membership) and does not have a land base.

| CONTACT | Suite 105 – 3680 Rae Avenue  
Vancouver, BC V5R 2P5  
Tel: 604.451.0531   Fax: 604.451.9231 |
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<td>STATUS OF TREATY NEGOTIATIONS</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Rhonda Larrabee  
Councillor Robert Bandura  
Councillor Rodney Bandura  
Councillor Ronald Lee |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2018* | Total Registered Population 14  
Living on own reserves 0  
Living on other reserves 0  
Living off reserve 14 |

* Source: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada

HWLITSUM FIRST NATION
(“Wilt-sum”)

Hwlitsum First Nation claims that its unofficial membership of 300 people includes a Registered Indian Population of 185 members. Although it is currently without reserve lands, Hwlitsum’s traditional territory encompasses a large portion of the Metro Vancouver region, the Gulf Islands, and a portion of Vancouver Island.

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<td>Stage 2: Readiness stage - not negotiating</td>
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| FIRST NATION OFFICIALS | Chief Lindsey Wilson  
Councillor Janice Wilson  
Councillor Jim Hornbrook  
Councillor Danny Wilson  
Councillor Jan Wilson |
| REGISTERED POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER 2014* | Total Registered Population N.A.  
Living on own reserves N.A.  
Living on other reserves N.A.  
Living off reserve N.A. |

* Source: Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
### FIRST NATIONS IN THE METRO VANCOUVER REGION

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<td>KWANTLEN</td>
<td>Not in the BC Treaty Process</td>
<td>298</td>
<td>356</td>
<td>3/6</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<td>KWIKWETLEM</td>
<td>Not in the BC Treaty Process</td>
<td>115</td>
<td>84.5</td>
<td>2/2</td>
<td>April 29, 2023</td>
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<td>MATSQUI</td>
<td>Part of Stó:lō Nation; not in treaty</td>
<td>263</td>
<td>24.3</td>
<td>1/4</td>
<td>June 30, 2019</td>
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<td>MUSQUEAM</td>
<td>Stage 4: not negotiating</td>
<td>1,418</td>
<td>254.2</td>
<td>3/3</td>
<td>November 30, 2020</td>
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<td>SEMIAHMOO</td>
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<td>129.1</td>
<td>1/1</td>
<td>December 27, 2020</td>
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<td>SQUAMISH</td>
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<td>4,273</td>
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<td>TSAWWASSEN</td>
<td>Treaty First Nation effective April 3, 2009</td>
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<td>TSLEIL-WAUTUTH</td>
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<td>QAYQAYT</td>
<td>Not in the BC Treaty Process</td>
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<td>0/0</td>
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<td>HWLITSUM</td>
<td>Stage 2: not negotiating</td>
<td>N.A.</td>
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<td><strong>Contact</strong></td>
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| **HUL’QUMI’NUM TREATY GROUP**  
(representing 6 member First Nations) | Mr. Al Anderson, Executive Director  
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Ladysmith, BC V9G 1M5  
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Fax: 250.245.4668  
Web: [www.hulquminum.bc.ca/news](http://www.hulquminum.bc.ca/news)  
Email: [joeyc@hulquminum.bc.ca](mailto:joeyc@hulquminum.bc.ca)  
[htgroup@island.net](mailto:htgroup@island.net) |
| **STÓ:ŁØ NATION**  
(representing 11 member First Nations) | Chief David Jimmie, President  
Bldg. #8B – 7201 Vedder Road  
Chilliwack, BC V2R 4G5  
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DID YOU KNOW?

• In 2016, 1,673,785 individuals in Canada had an Aboriginal Identity, which represented 4.9% of the nation’s population.\(^1\)

• In BC, there were 270,585 individuals identifying themselves as Aboriginal, or 5.9% of the province’s population.\(^2\)

• Only 5.8% (or 3,560 individuals) of those that identify themselves as having an Aboriginal Identity in Metro Vancouver, live on Indian Reserves within the region.\(^3\)

• Indigenous Peoples were granted the right to vote in provincial elections in 1947, and in federal elections in 1960.

• National Indigenous Peoples Day is on June 21, the summer solstice and the longest day of the year.

• Orange Shirt Day is held annually on September 30 in Canadian communities encouraging citizens to wear an orange shirt or lapel pin that day to promote awareness about the Indian residential school system and the impact the system has had on Indigenous communities for more than a century in Canada.

• In many Coast Salish languages, the maple tree is called “paddle tree” as it is the preferred wood for making paddles.

• Status Indians in Canada were not allowed off reserves between 1882 and 1935 unless they showed a pass.

• Indigenous Peoples used their knowledge of the land to develop safe trails that became the basis for many present highways.

• Indigenous place names in BC include “Squamish” (mother of winds), “Kamloops” (meeting of water), “Chilliwack” (going back up), “Lillooet” (wild onions), and “Qualicum” (where you find dog salmon).

• Indigenous Peoples invented lacrosse and hockey.

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\(^1\) Aboriginal identity includes persons who reported being an Aboriginal person, including: First Nations (North American Indian), Métis or Inuk (Inuit) and/or those who reported being registered or having Treaty Indian status, under the Indian Act of Canada, and/or those who reported membership in a First Nation or Indian band. Aboriginal peoples of Canada are defined in the Constitution Act, 1982, section 35 (2) as including the Indian, Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada.

\(^2\) 2016 Census

\(^3\) 2016 Census

\(^4\) 2016 Census