

GOLDEN & AREA A'S

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Issue Area: Arts & Culture

Digging a little deeper

On our website and in the summary report for Vital Signs, we have provided a number of statistics for each of our areas. Following is much more detailed data and sources for each statistic.

Overview

Cultural capital can be defined as the myriad of relationships, activities, artistic expressions and social/ cultural events that contribute to the diversity and richness of community life. This could include different traditions and values the people share as well as the different beliefs and attitudes that people identify as 'part of their culture'. Cultural capital can also refer to the community activities that help to build an increased sense of awareness and understanding of the differences that we share as well as a sense of inclusion and cohesion as people from diverse backgrounds come together to participate in, and add to their community (SPARC, 2011).

Community health, bringing people together, raising cultural awareness and opportunities for youth are benefits of arts and culture.

Over the past five years our community has supported the development of arts and culture, recognizing its importance in crafting our identity, bringing revenue into the community and providing employment and related income.

Grade assigned by researcher: 5

Citizens' grade: 5

Performance

Over the past five years our community has raised funds and invested substantial volunteer time and community dollars in support and development of arts, culture and leisure activities. Just a few of the accomplishments in the last five years, that the Community and not for profit societies can be proud of include;

- renovated Civic Centre
- freeride/skateboard park
- spray park
- refurbished park at Cedar Lake Rec Site
- Nordic & alpine skiing day lodges
- 175 kms of cycling trails
- 11 maintained snowmobile trail areas
- outdoor gym outside the Mount 7 Rec Plex
- new fire-proof archive vault at the Golden Museum

Golden Cycling Club formed in 2002 has redefined both the culture and leisure flavour of Golden. Their successes include;

- upgrading 150 kilometers of trail
- building 25 kilometer of trail
- having 175 kilometers of trails designated as recreational trails with the Province, and
- 2010 membership milestone of over 100 members. ([More](#))

Similarly the Golden Nordic Ski Club has shines when it comes to securing funds and expanding their Master's class ski area;

Since 2006

- 39 kilometers of groomed trails
- purchased and refurbished snowcat groomer
- membership increase from 240 to 460 members in 2009-10, and
- secured funding and built a \$1M day lodge ([More](#)).

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| Community Groups | | |
| Data Summary: Grading | | |
| Date | | |
| August 2011 | | |
| Geography | | |
| Golden and Area A | | |
| Description | | |
| Indicator Date Table | Data Summary as applied to graded | Grade |
| Community Groups (Go to table) | Over 125 NFP groups providing services to our community. | 6 |
| Golden Cycling Club and Golden Nordic Ski Club (Go to table) | Increase in membership and activities | 6 |
| Whitetooth Affordable Ski Program (Go to table) | Whitetooth Ski Society, GDCF, Kicking Horse Mountain Resort, Golden Community Resources Society, Town of Golden and CSRD Area A, have all shown leadership by participating in this valuable program for youth. | 6 |
| Golden Snowmobile Club (Go to table) | | |
| Comparison | | |
| N/A | | |
| Data Considerations | | |
| Source | | |
| Various local contacts | | |
| Link | | |

| Community Groups | | |
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| Data Summary | | |
| Current GDCF List of NFP Groups affiliated with Golden and Area A. Over 125 NFP groups are providing services to our community. | | |
| Date | | |
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| Geography | | |
| Golden Area A | | |
| Description | | |
| Abbeyfield House Society | Golden Boy Scouts | Gold-Ply Social Club |
| Alexander Park Elementary School PAC | Golden Brownie Pack | Heart and Stroke Foundation |
| Bear Aware | Golden Community Choir | Impulse Dance Parents Association |
| Blaeberry Families Society | Golden Community Resource Society | Interior Health - Health Unit |
| Burgess Shale Geoscience Foundation | Golden Community Restorative Justice | Kicking Horse Country Chamber of Commerce |
| Canadian Avalanche Centre | Golden Contractors | Kicking Horse Country Grizzly Bear Society |
| CASARA Golden | Golden Curling Club | Kicking Horse Culture |
| CCR/CCRS After School Program/Nobody's Perfect | Golden Dolphins Swim Club | |
| Citizens on Patrol | Golden Employment Services | Kicking Horse Gymnastics Club |
| College of the Rockies | Golden Family Center | Kicking Horse Mountain Fire Protection Society |
| Columbia Basin Alliance For Literacy | Golden Figure Skating Club | Kimberley & District Community Foundation |
| Columbia Basin Environment Education Network | Golden Fire Department | Kootenay Association for Science & Technology |
| Columbia Basin Trust | Golden Food Bank Society | Kootenay Boundary Community Services Co-operative |
| Columbia Kootenay Cultural Alliance | Golden Girl Guides/Brownies/Sparks | Kootenay Rockies Innovation Council |
| Columbia River Greenways Alliance | Golden Golf Club | Kootenay Rockies Regional Economic Alliance |
| Columbia Shuswap Regional District | Golden Gracie Garage Society (Jiu Jitsu) | Kootenay Rockies Tourism |

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| Columbia Valley Dog Club | Golden Gymnastics Club | Lady Grey Elementary School PAC |
| Columbia Valley Learning Centre Society | Golden Hikes | Lifelong Learning Program |
| Communities in Bloom | Golden Hospice Society | Metis Nation Columbia River Society |
| Community Futures East Kootenay | Golden Kayak Club | Michelle Loughery Foundation |
| Council of Canadians | Golden Log Truckers Association | Mount 7 Flying Club |
| Dogtooth Climbing Gym | Golden Minor Baseball | Mount 7 Rec Plex Association |
| Early Childhood Development Coalition | Golden Minor Hockey | Mountain Lodge #11 Ancient Free and Accepted Masons |
| East Kootenay Brain Injury Association | Golden Nordic Ski Club | Music for Young Children |
| Enterprising Non Profits BC | Golden Players Drama Club | Navel Academy Belly Dancing |
| Everybody Active BC Recreation & Parks Association and the Heart & Stroke of BC and Yukon | Golden Rockets | Nickle Family Foundation |
| Field Recreation Advisory Association | Golden Lions | Okanagan Regional Library - Golden Branch |
| Friends of Yoho | Golden Lions Club | Order of the Eastern Star |
| Giving Tree Childcare Society | Golden Kicking Horse Alpine Team | Parson Community Hall Society |
| GKHMSA | Golden Rod & Gun Club | Relay for Life |
| Golden & District Community Foundation | Golden Rotary | Rockies for African Gogo's |
| Golden & District Farmers' Market | Golden Kicking Horse Alpine Team | Rocky Mountain Cruiser Chapter |
| Golden & District Historical Society | Golden School of Martial Arts | Rocky Mountain School District |
| Golden & District Hospital | Golden Secondary School | Royal Canadian Legion Branch #122 Golden |
| Golden & District Library | Golden Secondary School | Southern Interior Development Initiative Trust (SIDIT) |
| Golden And District Search And Rescue | Golden Seniors Branch #150 | Special Olympics - Golden |
| Golden and District Senior Citizens Housing Society | Golden Shotokan Karate Society | St. Andrew's United Church & Centre for Peace |
| Golden Area Initiatives | Golden Shriners | St. Paul's Anglican Church |
| Golden Army Cadets | Golden Snowmobile Trail Society | Tidlund Foundation |
| Golden ATV Club | Golden Women's Resource Centre | Tourism Golden |
| Golden Ayurveda Yoga | Golden Youth Opportunities Council | Trinity Lutheran Church |
| Golden Basketball Association | Golden's Community Justice Program | Western Economic Diversification |
| Comparison | | |
| N/A | | |

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| Data Considerations |
| Not all NFPs have registered with the GDCF |
| Source |
| Golden and District Community Foundation |
| Link |
| http://www.goldencommunityfoundation.ca/ |

| Golden Cycling Club and Golden Nordic Ski Club | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Increased in membership and activities | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| N/A |
| Data Considerations |
| Golden cycling club trail information was verbally conveyed by Andy Bostock, (Director at Large Golden Cycling Club) to Golden Vital Signs recorder |
| Source |
| Golden Cycling Club: Andy Bostock www.goldencyclingclub.com/history.php Golden Nordic Ski Club: www.goldennordicclub.ca/gnsc-history |
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| Date |
| 2010 |
| Geography |
| Golden and Area A |
| Description |
| (Golden, BC) – A record number of local kids will be skiing and snowboarding this winter thanks to the Whitetooth Affordable Ski Program. The winter program has been traditionally supported by Kicking Horse Mountain Resort (KHMR) and the Golden & District Community Foundation-managed (GDCF) Whitetooth Ski Society Fund on a shared cost basis. However, due to unprecedented demand this year - up 67% compared to 2009 - the Golden Community Resource Society requested additional support to fund the 35 recommended applicants, where family incomes are limited.'(GDCF 2010) |
| Comparison |
| 2009-2010 |
| Data Considerations |

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| 2009-2010 |
| Source |
| GDCF |
| Link |
| http://www.goldencommunityfoundation.ca/downloads/whitetooth_ski_program_soars-dec10_10.pdf |

Snowmobile Club

Data Summary

Trail Areas

Date

Geography

Golden & Area A

Description



Comparison

N/A

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| Data Considerations |
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| Source |
| Golden Snowmobile Trail Society |
| Link |
| http://www.snowmobilegolden.com/riding_areas.php |

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