



2019 was another banner year for Gibsons Community Building Society, Gibsons Public Market and the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre: attendance at our events and community programs continues to rise as more and more residents and visitors to the Coast discover the value of what we're building together; our gathering spaces and placemaking activities are creating meaningful impact; we celebrated new partnerships, we welcomed new merchants, we launched new initiatives, and we set our sights on exploring new pathways to realize our vision for community.

We believe that placemaking is a powerful tool for the creation of healthy, inclusive and beloved communities. Through inspired community and educational programming, we endeavour to turn the spaces we live into the places we love. Fostering deeper connections between neighbours and friends, supporting the entrepreneurial spirit that powers local economic development, and holding space for hope-filled conversations about clean growth and climate change are the thematic pillars that gird our efforts. The myriad ways that you show up to celebrate and contribute to this work tells us that we're on the right path.

This report is our expression of thanks and our invitation for your continued support.

OUR MISSION: The mission of the Gibsons Community Building Society is to build a thriving community through the successful operation of Gibsons Public Market – integrating vibrant community programs and public gathering spaces, an inspiring marine education centre and a bustling local market – to showcase Coastal life and support community economic development.

OUR VISION: A vibrant hub of Coastal life.

What does the Gibsons Community Building Society do?

BUILD

We build great projects for the benefit of current and future generations.

GATHER

We gather together to forge new relationships and nurture community capital.

INSPIRE

We inspire sustainable behaviour in support of people, purpose and planet.



- GIBSONS PUBLIC MARKET -



96,000 VISITS



881 EVENTS WITH
40,823 ATTENDEES



70 LIVE
PERFORMANCES



245 HEALTH AND
WELLNESS CLASSES



83 COOKING AND
EATING EVENTS



3 NIGHTS MARKETS
7,500 ATTENDEES



50+ COASTAL RESIDENTS
EMPLOYED WITH
MEANINGFUL WORK



104 LIVELIHOOD
ENTREPRENEURS

- NICHOLAS SONNTAG MARINE EDUCATION CENTRE -



12,000 VISITS



140 SD46 CLASSES WITH
3,120 ATTENDEES



32,000 L OF
RECIRCULATING
SALT WATER



400 SPECIMENS



70+ SPECIES



30 HABITATS



The Not-So-Secret of our Success – Volunteers!

Gibsons Community Building Society is a volunteer powered organization. In order to deliver exciting community and educational programming for guests of all ages, we rely on enthusiastic support from individuals keen to express their community spirit through acts of service. From leading kids cooking classes to marine centre interpretation, from maintenance to setting-up and hosting our incredible community celebrations, volunteers are the beating heart of Gibsons Public Market and the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre.



PLACEMAKING AND COMMUNITY CAPITAL

We believe that communities thrive and are made resilient through shared acts of citizenship, connection, celebration and cooperation. By providing space for our neighbours, guests and visitors to gather together and enjoy one another's company, we are perpetuating a way of life that is decidedly joyful and unapologetically Coastal.

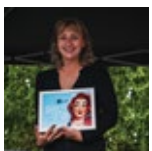


2019 marked Howe Sound Pulp and Paper's 110th anniversary, an event that we wanted to celebrate with the entire community. When Public Market staff approached us to get involved with the summer Night Markets, we knew immediately this was a great fit for all. The market events attracted thousands of visitors and residents while showcasing the best of Coastal small businesses, artists, musicians, food and drink. We thank everyone involved, including those who attended. The market series was a true community celebration we at Paper Excellence and Howe Sound Pulp are proud to support.

– Alan Scalet, Howe Sound Pulp and Paper Corporation

LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

We believe that community and economic development are inextricably linked – connected through people, purpose and place. Gibsons Public Market is home to seven local food merchants and an award-winning bistro, hosts seasonal markets, and operates a commissary kitchen for food-based livelihood entrepreneurs.



RISEUp Donuts is a new community business built on our grandmother's recipes and nostalgic yearning for fresh, local and hand crafted. When we discovered Gibsons Public Market with their kitchens that enable us to both produce and sell our donuts; their Affinity Partner program to help spread the word about our young endeavour; and the Night Markets, a platform for us to reach thousands of old and new customers, we knew we'd found the right place to grow our most decadent dreams!

– Whitney Rose Cavaliere, Owner, RISEUp Donuts

MARINE EDUCATION AND CONSERVATION

We believe that the ocean connects us to all of life and to each other. We are inspired by the mystery, wonder, and magic of the undersea world at our doorstep. Through extended classroom programming for school-aged learners, public lectures, Junior Aquarist camps, and other special events, the Nicholas Sonntag Marine Education Centre is fostering a community that actively cares for the health of our ocean.



Thank you for the great lesson on Wednesday! The kids really loved the idea of the string web and were playing Food Web on the playground at recess. Carys was leading the play, as you can well imagine. And Zoe was yelling, "I don't want to be phytoplankton!" The lesson really sank home and lead to some great conversations about why we don't use straws and plastic shopping bags anymore.

– Jennifer Bisset, SD46 Teacher and Marine Education Centre Volunteer

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GIBSONS COMMUNITY BUILDING SOCIETY (GCBS)					
2018 Balance Sheet	\$4,493,577	2018 Revenue	\$657,013	2018 Expenses	\$874,033
Cash & Receivables	\$317,029	Earned Revenue	\$272,900	Operating Expenses	\$526,189
Leaseholds & Improvements	\$3,876,548	Donations	\$266,837	General & Administrative	\$92,278
Investments in Real Estate	\$300,000	Fundraising Events	\$81,236	Amortization	\$165,344
Short Term Liabilities	\$773,355	In Kind Contributions	\$26,917	Operating Grant to GMECS	\$90,222
Long Term Liabilities	\$1,005,197	Grants	\$9,123		
Equity	\$2,715,025				

GIBSONS MARINE EDUCATION CENTRE SOCIETY (GMECS)					
2018 Balance Sheet	\$64,176	2018 Revenue	\$323,381	2018 Expenses	\$367,311
Cash & Receivables	\$53,159	Admissions & Programs	\$57,063	Operating Expenses	\$361,633
Tangible Capital Assets	\$11,017	Donations	\$91,440	General & Administrative	\$5,678
Short Term Liabilities	\$119,789	Fundraising Events	\$56,699		
Equity	(-\$55,613)	In Kind Contributions	\$3,224		
		Grants	\$114,955		

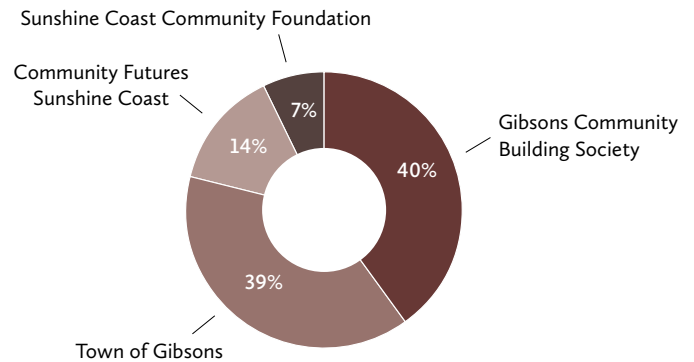
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