

## MINISTRY OF TOURISM, ARTS AND CULTURE

The Royal BC Museum:

- Provides space for the BC Museums Association office at no charge
- Submitted the Vancouver Island ("Douglas") Treaties for inclusion in the UNESCO Memory of the World Register
- Ensures our archival collections are accessible to all BC citizens and to lawyers, lawmakers, ministry staff and researchers from around the world
- Supports multicultural initiatives; acts as government advisor and supports special interest groups through events and programs, including educational materials
- Undertakes community consultation and partnerships through the Canada 150 fund
- Supports the tourism strategy by providing an exceptional tourism experience and exceeding visitor expectations

## MINISTRY OF FORESTS, LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Royal BC Museum:

- Acts as the main repository for archaeological materials that are recovered by permit
- Provides advice on the Fossil Framework and negotiations for the McAbee fossil beds near Cache Creek
- Provides advice and support to government related to heritage properties, including developing partnerships with the properties to assist in their programming, promotion and reciprocal admission agreements

## MINISTRY OF CITIZENS' SERVICES

The Royal BC Museum:

- Participates in the district energy plant and steering committee
- Signed an MOU to accept and process government records and backlog (more than 2,600 boxes processed in 2016)
- Is a steering committee member on the Information Management Act Advisory Committee

## MINISTRY OF ADVANCED EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING

The Royal BC Museum:

- Partners with academic institutions, for example with UVic for Landscapes of Injustice (a project focusing on the Japanese Canadian community)
- Has academic partnerships with the Nikkei National Museum, the Canadian Immigration Museum, Simon Fraser University, the University of British Columbia, the University of Winnipeg, the University of Alberta, New York University, Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars, the University of Pennsylvania, Ryerson and Emily Carr University of Art and Design

## MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY

The Royal BC Museum:

- Acts as the province's DNA bank for plants and animals
- Works with and provides scientific advice and support for the Invasive Species Council of BC and for the provincial Red and Blue lists, which identify endangered species and ecosystems
- Collaborates with conservation officers to collect specimens for the provincial natural history collections
- Developed the travelling *Species at Risk* exhibition
- Consistently undertakes scientific collection field trips into remote (and not-so-remote) areas of the province, increasing the scientific knowledge of the province to support environmental initiatives
- Is an early adopter and leader of sustainability initiatives among BC Crown corporations, acting as a showcase for facilities-wide sustainable environmental practices



## SUPPORTING THE PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

The Royal BC Museum, our staff, our on-site partners and our volunteers support a strong economy and impact the lives of the people of British Columbia. Our initiatives support all levels of government, the local and provincial tourism industry, international relations and knowledge-based sectors.

We take a leadership role in natural resource stewardship, research and scholarship; develop world-class collections; and deliver innovative partnerships and programming. Our work supports diversity and strong communities around the province.

The tables below outline the support we provide to the government of British Columbia.

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## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

The Royal BC Museum:

- Welcomes 25,000 students (K-12) annually for free
- Developed the Learning Portal, an innovative online tool for educators and students anywhere in BC, which supports BC curriculum
- Sent the *Species at Risk* travelling exhibition to communities throughout BC in 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Delivers programs in keeping with the BC curriculum; participates in BC curriculum development
- Develops learning-driven spring and summer camps

## MINISTRY OF ENERGY, MINES AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES

The Royal BC Museum:

- Provides support for environmental and archaeological reviews for BC Hydro
- Provided approvals for fossil locations at the Site C Dam project; is the main repository for fossils recovered from the project
- Showcases early mining practices and the effect of gold mining on immigration and prosperity in BC
- Participates as a PowerSmart partner with BC Hydro

## MINISTRY OF JOBS, TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY

The Royal BC Museum:

- Welcomes 750,000 visitors to the precinct each year
- Contributes \$45 million in incremental GDP to the local economy every year, supporting 450 FTE jobs
- Engages in innovative partnerships with museums and archives throughout the world, including in China and throughout the Asia-Pacific region, in South America and in Europe

## MINISTRY OF INDIGENOUS RELATIONS AND RECONCILIATION

The Royal BC Museum:

- Provides free access to the galleries and collections to all First Nations people in British Columbia
- Has MOUs with specific First Nations to act as the steward of their collections while they prepare to care for their collections themselves
- Introduced initiatives in response to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission recommendations
- Signed MOUs with Aboriginal Tourism BC to deliver projects together

## MINISTRY OF FINANCE

The Royal BC Museum:

- Manages significant assets of government, valued at \$80 million (real estate) and \$200 million (our permanent collections), through the Museum Act
- Provides tax receipts for Canadian Cultural Property to donors—this property is managed, stewarded and preserved in perpetuity
- Provides artifacts on permanent loan to Government House
- Provides conservation advice to Government House
- Seeks and implements new revenue-generating partnerships by leveraging sites on our property to maximize annual revenues
- Provides free admission (approx. \$100,000 value) to various groups, including First Nations, K-12 student groups and attendants for special-needs visitors