



North Vancouver District
Public Library

Inspiring Stories

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Looking Outward

In support of a flourishing community that connects more, learns more, and inspires more, one important goal was established in the NVDPL's Strategic Framework that was adopted in 2014: to foster a culture of community collaboration. And over the last two years, North Vancouver District Public Library has turned our lens outward and extended our reach into the local community. Not only is the Library able to leverage the use of resources but opening our mindset outward has allowed for an expanded reach to a wider segment of the location population. These collaborations promote an atmosphere of learning.

Over the last year, NVDPL has worked with these groups, and more:



An Evening in Honour of Reconciliation

Establishing effective and inclusive partnerships has taken time and these efforts are now bearing tangible results. With annual programming, like **Health and Wellness Month** planned in coordination with the North Vancouver Recreation and Culture Commission; and the **North Shore Writers Festival** and **North Shore Giller Prize Viewing Celebration Fundraiser** planned in partnership with the other local library systems: North Vancouver City Library and the West Vancouver Memorial Library. We've also worked with the North Vancouver School District on the **Community Unconference**, North Shore Community Resources

on workshops like the **Democracy Café**, and on **newcomer events** with the North Shore Immigrant Inclusion Partnership and North Shore Multicultural Society. The NVDPL, considered a leading library in regards to **Reconciliation initiatives**, is also working with local First Nations to bridge the gap in underserved communities.

These collective collaborations inspire new programs, improve efficiency, and strengthen community relationships that further work to build on a strong foundation of civic engagement in North Vancouver taxpayers. North Vancouver District Public Library is excited to continue working closely with partnership organizations in the years to come!

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

“ I love my Lynn Valley Library! Wonderful staff, great selection of books- both fiction and non-fiction- and it's right next door to a coffee shop. Who could ask for more? ”

What our patrons are saying about NVDPL