






Survey: Powell River's Vital Signs Community Survey

Report: Default Report

Survey Status		Respondent Statistics		Points Summary
Status:	Closed	Total Responses:	685	No Points Questions used in this survey.
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1. How do you rate the help and services in Powell River to assist people affected by low income, including children, seniors, First Nations, immigrants, and people with health problems?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	10	3.77%
GOOD: 	98	36.98%
FAIR: 	109	41.13%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	40	15.09%
POOR: 	8	3.02%
Total Responded to this question:	265	95.67%
Total who skipped this question:	12	4.33%
Total:	277	100%

2. [Optional] What are the top things we should do to address the gap between rich and poor in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	170	100%
Total Responded to this question:	170	61.37%
Total who skipped this question:	107	38.63%
Total:	277	100%

2. [Optional] What are the top things we should do to address the gap between rich and poor in Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Increase taxation on the wealthy Amalgamate City, Regional & School District governments Invest in community literacy
2	Raise income (all sources including Income Assistance) or lower expenses, i.e. build social housing. Social housing must be rent geared to income.
3	more jobs
4	Attract more business to the area to provide employment opportunities.
5	Housing affordability, build affordable housing work are attracting industry that can provide good paying jobs
6	Higher taxes on homes that cost more than 300K. Lower for houses under 150K No tax breaks for our corporate citizen, such as Catalyst, Plutonic
7	increase minimum wage to a 'living wage' increase social assistance amounts for individuals and families allow those on assistance to earn money
8	more low rental housing
9	More availability of low income housing, more support for daycare so that parents can go to work, improved Mental Health care and availability.
10	I don't know, we have never needed the services.
11	better communication to determine who needs help and why they need help
12	Provide affordable housing for people living on a disability pension, particularly those who suffer from a mental illness.
13	decent low income housing needed !!!!
14	encourage the CRC with donations of food and time; encourage community gardens; decent low income housing interspersed through the community
15	Let the rich help the poor for a while. It always seems to be those folks who have had struggles in the past that help the needy. Not the rich.
16	Employment opportunities help the poor the most; the wealthier are in a position to influence public policy so can help by making business welcome
17	Need to build more services for the elderly as that is what this community is becoming and to keep their \$ here.
18	consider the influx of income assisted people without jobs
19	More affordable housing Bus passes for low income single income 610/mos Senior not being able to afford drugs
20	-provide more affordable housing for individuals living under the poverty line
21	increase taxes, at the provincial and federal levels, on top earners and corporations. ease the tax burden on the 'middle class'
22	need low cost housing, supported housing as well. The food bank could be better, although I think they are trying to improve.
23	Pursue economic development opportunities. Without industry, no jobs, no wages, no tax base. Poverty is a direct result of this.
24	Provide more decent low-income rental housing and perhaps some co-operative housing.
25	We need basic industry employment that will provide jobs that pay a decent wage that will enable our children to stay and start their own families.
26	We should be working towards getting all people employed. Wages need to improve here. Too low to live on. Cost of living is in fact dearer here.
27	Provide skills training, including basic skills training and computer training.
28	Stop labelling and stigmatization. Educate people about difference. Raise welfare rates. More community food gardens. Hire the poor, not the rich.
29	many people are under-educated or under - utilized; or have good ideas they can't move forward
30	make more programs and services available that are not cost prohibitive
31	Create jobs. Increase access to education for low/mid income families. Strengthen the college/trades programs in PR. Business training.
32	Affordable housing
33	Housing is a critical issue. Most low income parents live in challenging housing situations or in slums. Transportation .
34	provide low-cost housing
35	a better food bank that distributes real food not random canned, packaged and non food items. Rent subsidies. Jobs Smaller buses, + route
36	training and employment opportunities upgrades to housing stock for Sliammon and ec development opportunities encourage sustainable devpt.

37 Support all efforts by workers to get higher wages.

38 more jobs

39 Address homelessness Diversify the economy (we need new business and jobs)

40 Focus on employment so that everyone can use their abilities, however limited, to earn income and self-esteem.

41 Job creation in sustainable industries. .i.e. tourism, green initiatives. NOT more heavy industry. NOT more big developers. SMALL is beautiful.

42 Provide day care for struggling single parents. Children should never be refused entry to the Complex because of inability to pay.

43 affordable housing

44 stop relying on government handouts make people earn their keep make the mill pay it's taxes encourage the mill to go away cut ferry runs in half

45 up min wage

46 I know of nothing being done other than the food bank.

47 more reasonably priced housing for low income individuals families

48 Get rid of the Provincial Liberals, and Federal Cons

49 More low income housing.

50 Give a little more. It actually feels good.

51 Dig down where we stand and do our own thing: set up our own currency, engage in barter, support local communications and social activities.

52 Financial support to small business to create jobs. People need to work. An economic development agency that delivers jobs, not just big box stores

53 rent geared to income housing

54 create well paying, long term jobs (tourism) . Lower interest rates on loans and mortgages , and higher interest rates on GIC's, RRSP's, etc..

55 nothing

56 We need a homeless shelter, which would help the very poor.

57 food issues and shelter- help motivate to keep housing and self clean and drug free

58 Identify those at risk Focus on education and empowerment, esp if young Make this situation more visible.

59 Stop pretending poor and homeless don't exist in PR Ask the poor and homeless what would help them, instead of doing it for them or to them.

60 Encourage local investment to create jobs, do MUCH more to encourage new businesses, esp. young adults.

61 We need to address the issue of homelessness.

62 low rent subsidized housing

63 Develop workfare and training for all able-bodied people; and provide daycare for single mums in the program.

64 activity and education opportunities for low income families organized volunteer opportunities for seniors or others who would gladly give their time

65 More free concerts or free tickets given out to the poor. Less demands on poor parents for field trips and extras. Home repairs subsidized.

66 promote more educational support

67 Stop the Ministry from importing dysfunctional people into our community

68 not sure

69 key things such as food , shelter and transportation should be affordable

70 Work at ways to create more jobs - get people employed via training and education.

71 I think awareness helps people act or do something. I feel that people are not aware of how many there really is here.

72 Affordable housing, and better wages and more training opportunities to enhance skills.

73 Housing Food Mental health Transportation

74 self help programs and practical training

75 Intervene at the childhood level and provide integrated services

76 Create more jobs. Allow more business and industry to come in. I know of a few people who tried and have been turned down or too many barriers raised

77 Level of services has to be afforded and local property taxes are very high relative to incomes

78 provide safe housing for everyone and provide help--drug counselling etc as part of the inclusion in public housing.

79 Community awareness, programs communicating and co-ordinating a unified approach

80 Encourage volunteerism, and when folks volunteer, take them up on it.

81 tax breaks for low income, housing that is above sub-par for low income families and also more financial support for single parents who need to work 3

82 Mixed housing projects for income earners of all ranges.

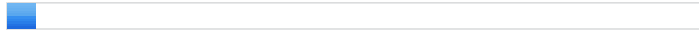



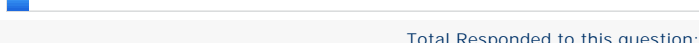
83	This question infers that rich = wealthy, a view to which I don't subscribe. To be truly wealthy, one must have health, happiness, a sense of wellbein
84	Stop allowing corporations to have reduced taxes while the community members pay more.
85	The ferries have a control on our highway. There are no jobs here, people need to go else where for employment. Very hard to operate a business here.
86	higher minimum wage
87	More health care specialists and faster health care service delivery.
88	increase funding and services
89	I see far less of a gap here than in the city (Vancouver). I'm aware of various ways this is already being done here.
90	1. Get the ferry fares Lowered. 2. Fine away that discounts coupons can be made available for middle to low class people.
91	more affordable housing options for seniors more employment opportunities for 20 somethings that pay a livable wage
92	Try to encourage more industry to come to Powell River to create more jobs
93	Cheap housing made available to people and knowing about it rather than only through Welfare as there are working poor and they are more deserving.
94	Run the poor out of town, they are a drain on the local economy .
95	affordable housing
96	Have more affordable housing supply small loans or grants to start small business
97	actually help people not just pretend
98	transportation and access to educational opportunities
99	Targeted employment-readiness programs Job-creation initiatives Save the Powell River Community Resource Centre Inclusiveness initiatives
100	I think this is a really huge question and if we could figure it out, well we could sell the solution to the whole world. More help for seniors!
101	The "poor" is not a permanant condition for most. This condition is highly transitory when there ar no underlying self imposed choice or habit.
102	Provide caring people who really understand the person when they listen to the person, their problems etc. as they try to help the low individual.
103	provide affordable rental housing have a used furniture store make food bank more accessible and available
104	Lesson the disposal of perishable items thrown away in supermarket chains by encouraging them to give these items to the poor (food banks etc).
105	Start with making a list of criteria for persons running for mayor or counsellor. They are the decision makers.
106	I never use these services, so I have no idea. First Nations should be getting help from Sliammon/Federal Govt. Not leeching on provincial servces.
107	Ferry cards for low income families
108	pay for education if on income assistance.
109	Pay more attention to the poorer people, listen to their problems and concerns, don't let council push them around, ignore what they are saying...
110	I have no car. We need crosswalks on Joyce & better pedestrian access to Town Centre mall area. we need bike paths, cheaper bus fares, more access.
111	As the largest amount of \$ from a fixed, and/or low income goes to housing, there needs to be housing set up for people to live in healthy/safe homes
112	Affordable housing Subsidized transit Stop City's user-pay philosophy Eliminate property flat tax Facilities and events in all parts of town
113	Better public transportation, more attention to sidewalks and walkways. Lower property taxes! Better schools in poorer neighbourhoods (Wildwood and To
114	what caused the 'gap'? is it the disappearance of the middle class? If so, the solution is obvious.
115	Desperately need affordable housing in our community. This means accommodation under the \$200,000 or low cost rental.
116	more subsidized housing. income assistance increase to poverty level.
117	Low income housing Create part-time employment
118	Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Concentrate on feeding the children; breakfast programs in all the schools would help.
119	Income Assistance is too low for the disabled to live on.
120	increase access to affordable housing develop sustainable and stable economic and employment opportunities for youth to enter the workforce
121	The City should promote, protect and encourage the small businesses in the community
122	AFFORDABLE HOUSING, VIABLE TRANSPORTATION - city and region, affordable child care, more free programs/activities for children and youth in each regio
123	Job Training Educational Assistance Eliminate tax loopholes for the wealthiest
124	taxes on the rich home owners

125	Better paying jobs..
126	There needs to be a concerted effort to attract business manufacturing sustainable and eco friendly products, ie solar panels.
127	Participate in creating well paying employment opportunities.
128	that is a difficult question, perhaps some adjustment to working hours, to allow more people into the work force
129	Jobs Affordable housing Cost of getting in and out of PR
130	more support for learning disabilities and early learning
131	it is very hard for a person 55 years or older to find employment in Powell River...this needs to be addressed
132	Promote, support and develop Powell River's attractiveness to seniors, general retirees, and home-based business people.
133	Stable funding for programs supporting families with young children.
134	for the age bracket of 55-60 and when someone is totally new to Powell River, more help in acquiring work and bus passes or tickets if can't walk
135	give incentives to developers to address the issue of affordable housing...allow home owners to build carriage housing
136	Help educate people that to get a good paying job they need to graduate and take further education, such as college, university, BCIT and trades.
137	Return of the middle class for healthy economy
138	more green jobs in micro energy projects. green building, waste and water management. organic farms more support for small business innovators,
139	The gap will always be there. Look at the ways the rich are making money. The poor need social services/tools/jobs to rise up to the middle.
140	Tax the rich their equal share, increase corporate tax
141	Try to provide community jobs for unemployed or under employed people.
142	Communication - close the gap - neither is superior or inferior of the other. When we get that - we'll move forward.
143	share surplus foods/supplies/etc - tax credits for those that share if possible to encourage others lower costs for purchased items for qual persons
144	Develop sustainable healthy jobs. Improve housing opportunities for low or no income people. improve healthful food sources for food impoverished.
145	Create more jobs.
146	Invest 20 million dollars in projects for the poor, which is a similar amount that was invested for a marina for the rich. That would be a start
147	Co -op/ low income housing
148	need more good restrauts to attract more tourists. They do not even have a seafood restraut in Powell river. This would create more jobs.
149	Treated equally - equal opportunities
150	subsidized/social housing
151	hire more first nations in the industry
152	support services for people new to the work force : ie daycare: counselling
153	Increase wages and access to training for people with barriers
154	Equal treatment, give the poor a voice
155	Access to resources - example transportation
156	We are new to Powell River as of July, but it seems any service available in New Westminster is also here. The CRC is a great idea.
157	We need more affordable housing and bus service north and south of town.
158	As FN people there are various limitations/barriers due to criteria implemented by INAC and local governments both local and provincial
159	Social Assistance - why is there a gap in the amount of dollars given to individuals? (just an oversight)
160	housing!
161	provide true low income/subsidized housing for poor people that is well made and a person or persons would be proud to live there.
162	Communication
163	It's better than many towns I've lived in.
164	Increase the minimum wage
165	More assistance to low income families. More programs to build skills and abilities. Pay special attention to families with young children
166	We need to address the working poor issues where by individuals can only find part time employment that doesn't pay benefits.
167	1st, BC welfare needs to be increased. PR could provide food stamps and more low income housing. Maybe the rich could help support low income families
168	make more money available to start micro business.
169	Support and encourage education Affordable housing Keep our good mental health services
170	keep jobs in Powell River. tax on outside contractors or suppliers. job creation and incentives and education.

3. How would you rate the current health of our local economy, taking into account things such as large and small businesses, industry, employment, real estate, tourism, taxes, and any other factors?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	0	0%
GOOD:	50	18.25%
FAIR:	141	51.46%
BELOW AVERAGE:	71	25.91%
POOR:	12	4.38%
Total Responded to this question:	274	98.92%
Total who skipped this question:	3	1.08%
Total:	277	100%

4. What do you think the future outlook is for Powell River to sustain a stable and active community?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	12	4.41%
GOOD: 	93	34.19%
FAIR: 	113	41.54%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	46	16.91%
POOR: 	8	2.94%
Total Responded to this question:	272	98.19%
Total who skipped this question:	5	1.81%
Total:	277	100%

5. [Optional] What things would be most important to work on to strengthen Powell River's economy?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	201	100%
Total Responded to this question:	201	72.56%
Total who skipped this question:	76	27.44%
Total:	277	100%

5. [Optional] What things would be most important to work on to strengthen Powell River's economy?

Response	Response Text
1	Improve community literacy Create a university concentrating on fine arts and incorporating the Powell River Academy of Music Build a cultural centre
2	Pay people enough that they can spend money. Then encourage buying locally.
3	make taxes affordable to attract bi businesses sness
4	Develop features that appeal to the growing population of retirees. There's not better place in Canada for them to live.
5	truly open for buisness at City Hall Attract new Industry external marketing of Powell River lower ferry rates better ferry connections
6	Develop tourism, make Marine Ave more appealing. More small industries. Insure that unused properties (including Catalyst) don't sit empty for long.
7	Jobs, in order to attract families.
8	more attention to sustainability and food and water security lower ferry fares more attention to how to make this a retirement and tourist destinatio
9	reduce transportation costs, tax breaks for new business's to relocate here
10	try and get another industry going
11	listen to the people, more open minded as far as "green" industry goes, incentives for small business owners.
12	Better and cheaper ferry system, lower business taxes.
13	We need to attract business, and help ensure their success rather than put obstacles in their way.
14	Substantial improvement in transportation in and out of the community. Such an improvement is improbable based on a rather low population base
15	Reduce ferry fares and keep them that way. Offer tax incentives for new businesses to come here. Encourage people to shop locally, farm locally etc.
16	community identification and engagement - shop at home, support local farmers and other green initiatives, retain the beauty and peace = attraction
17	Lower ferry costs. It would encourage folks to come here and spend money
18	improve business climate: control city depts apparent lack of business sense
19	Need to develop another industry other than the mill.
20	encourage businesses to esatblish that are able to offer employment to younger families.
21	Secondary industries that manufacture items - too many minimum wage service jobs
22	BC ferry costs Affordable housing
23	Invite new businesses to open here with less red tape. Listen to all people not just the native community and the tree huggers. we need new busines
24	-diversifying our economic base -keeping the ferries (our highway) affordable
25	continue developing PR as a food sufficient community
26	Attracting new business that could pay decent wages - unfortunately I have no idea what that could be! Too many minimum wage jobs here
27	Diversify, create a real town centre between the ferry terminal and Willingdon Beach, shuttles to WBeach, Complex
28	Support farmers and tourist industry. Protect spawning creeks.
29	reliable and affordable transportation in and out of the community that will enable businesses to make a profit by setting up operations here
30	Lower ferry fares. More employment
31	we have to do something about the ferries & the cost of doing business in this community. The gas & grocery prices are just too high.
32	We need to attract several mid-sized businesses to the area and we need to improve tourism. Mid-sized businesses rely on lower ferry rates.
33	Tourism and employing the younger generation. Not enough trades employed here. Need business park! Too much anti light industry..
34	Training for young single men and single mothers Subsidized treatment centre for addictions Help local business bid on large projects
35	Organic small farms/food gardens. Tourism. Environmental awareness. Protect our water, land and air. Encourage small to medium sized businesses.
36	support young families to stay in/return to/ immigrate to the community; "green economy"
37	change ferry system- too expensive - this is reflected in cost of goods and services and people are not able to afford rising costs

- 38 Get a (new) council that really understands what innovative means and to shift toward green and sustainable business/personal practices.
- 39 Sustainability plan that includes the health and wellbeing of all ages and the environment we all share
- 40 Attracting new businesses, keeping the natural attraction intact.
- 41 development of tourism industry cultural development beautification of town centre
- 42 support small businesses, grow our own food, start green projects and employ locals, city could collect compost & sell it don't look to big business
- 43 Tourism!!! Down town area needs a clean up...pretty up...needs work!
- 44 easy access for small sustainable business to set up in PR ie friendly and welcoming environment for new business
- 45 Our economy is very tied to the 'outside'. We need resource industries that are healthy and sustainable, providing good jobs for locals.
- 46 a new enterprise or business model
- 47 Change the community's leadership, including city council, PRREDS, etc. These people seem to be stuck in an old paradigm; we need democratic leaders.
- 48 Attract new business. Make City Hall approachable. What can we do to assist a new business, don't throw roadblocks up.
- 49 Attracting businesses to the city and helping them succeed rather than hindering them.
- 50 Increase tourism Increase sustainability with more agriculture Establish green businesses
- 51 Keep the town green and less urban. Do NOT sell out to polluting industries. Our future lies in our town being friendly safe and clean.
- 52 transparency of local government
- 53 see question 2
- 54 support the local people
- 55 Need to be more open to new companies coming in
- 56 assistance for new business owners to help them be successful, support new ideas for economic growth (change can be good)
- 57 Diversification, green energy manufacturing, leverage industrial waterfront for an industry manufactures here and that ships around the world
- 58 Bring back a sports fishery by bringing back herring and salmon, better tourist attractions and facilities, bike paths etc.
- 59 Cut prices a bit. We are not Vancouver.
- 60 For me, it's my effort to kickstart a publishing industry. For the whole community, it's the abandonment of the old notion of "attracting" business.
- 61 community cohesion around issues of sustainability (cultural, economic, educational etc)
- 62 More emphasis on sustainability and eco-based activities instead of timber mining
- 63 We need a vision & market the heck out of it. An alternative, affordable, artistic, cool community to visit and live- marketed across the world
- 64 recreational activities (nature/family camping, etc/ sports facilities)/ first nations cultural tours / retirement communities
- 65 Mayor and council could stop acting like they own the city and start listening to the people who do.
- 66 Diversification, promote the new water front as a destination for boaters
- 67 Tourism, eco-friendly destination. More athletic competitions such as the cycle race. Add a major triathlon event. Hiking and ATV expeditions.
- 68 Keep beautifying it .We need a new public library which will appeal to all ages and be a real attraction to newcomer
- 69 more apprenticeships for people starting new careers young and not so young small industries to employ several people at a time
- 70 Build up the resort area that I have seen posters for since I arrived 3 years ago, but never see any development
- 71 Create a business environment to attract new businesses City council must make it easier for new businesses to start Fight to reduce ferry costs.
- 72 Keeping money circulating locally for longer, instead of letting it leak out These boxes are too small!!!! No room for more ideas
- 73 Work to end the "divide" between wealthy established people and young entrepreneurs. Support/mentor the younger generation.
- 74 Provide incentives for small and medium business to flourish. Stop the influx of big national chain stores. Local stores can't compete.
- 75 increase small businesses, tourism and agriculture
- 76 Attract more industry to the catalyst industrial property. Let the mill burn Vancouver's garbage in the power boiler.
- 77 subsidized ferries, a road to the interior of the province, industry
- 78 An additional industry. Paper Mill should pay their taxes.
- 79 Change the leadership in both the town council and regional districts. We need capable people who are also visionary
- 80 more tourism opportunities
- 81 Lower Industrial Taxes,
- 82 Expand and strengthen alternatives to the currently dominant modes of the "global" economic focus. E.g. local food, currency or exchange modes, etc.
- 83 Ferries, need to be reflective of the needs of our community.

84 promote the things that Powell River has going for it ie. arts and leisure

85 Attract industry to locate here to create jobs and income.

86 to ensure that the local politicians and city planners welcome new business's and industry without putting too many or unrealistic roadblocks to force

87 Community members are resourceful and we live in a resource rich area.

88 Diversify economy with varied small businesses

89 Unemployment at above subsistence level

90 Diversity of businesses with financing for locals to purchase existing businesses and start new ones

91 see comment 2. Some councillors are only in for themselves and NOT the community as a whole.

92 employment

93 The outlook depends on decisions are local politicians make. Enhance our competitive advantage. Protect our environment for goodness sake

94 Texada economy is in deep trouble. The community needs to re-establish itself with a varied economic base .

95 stop believing P>R. is a one industry town. Secondary industries should be encouraged and promoted---ship building, vinyards, wood products, jam plant

96 Tourism, cultural events, deep sea port for cruise ships

97 Ferries, ferries, ferries - primarily the cost

98 jobs for young families, new industry

99 New environmentally friendly industry that attracts and retains youth through employment opportunities.

100 We must promote self reliance.

101 Transportation between the north of town to down town which includes the weekend as well.

102 Subsidize the ferry so people can travel in and out of Powell River.

103 encourage more people to shop locally, promote tourism more, easier access to loans for people wanting to start their own businesses, cheaper ferry ra

104 improve transportation to/from Powell River

105 people to care for their community.. and businesses to stop spiking prices.

106 Incentives to stimulate new industries such as wine grape vineyards, water bottling, coffee roasting, ie: cheap land leases, tax breaks, grants

107 huge decrease in ferry fees, should not have to pay ferry fees to leave Powell River encourage visitors, movement of the population, stimulate economy

108 encourage industry to establish in PR; build a high end conference centre on the water front; water front condos ?

109 Stimulate local resilience every way possible. a la Transition Town movement. Find ways to increase local food production, etc.

110 Stronger motivation at our City to work with getting business here or working with investors and developers

111 Employment opportunities for the 20 somethings so that group can leave for education and return with a reasonable expectation of obtaining employment

112 More marketting of our area, attracting more industry to our area, clean up our main streets and make our town look more like an oceanside community

113 Get rid of the politicians.....

114 address the high costs of ferry travel in and out of here.

115 More businesses in the community. Manufacturing rather exporting raw products

116 More industries...high tech type.

117 competitive pricing to encourage people to shop locally

118 More financial breaks and opportunities for growth with small businesses.

119 environment to support small local business less cost to go in and out of town on the ferries

120 diversify be more receptive to change, ditch the NIMB attitude.

121 actually hire people who grew up here and live here

122 Keep it local:especially contracts for municipal improvements and construction projects. KEEP THE MONEY IN THE POWELL RIVER AREA WHEREVER POSSIBLE!

123 For tourism - ferry fees

124 Continue to teach/encourage shop-local initiatives Help job seekers find work with and generate income from out-of-town employers (eg. tele-commute)

125 Job creation. Everything flows from that. Without a job and income, it is difficult for people to survive.

126 Find a way to reduce the ferry fares to make Powell River a more desirable community to live in.

127 Focus away from logging and fishing as main industries. Focus on life style opportunities

128 Ferry services should be free. Subsidized from taxes for Highways across Canada; or provide road access.(this would also create jobs)

129 work on improvements to the ferry fares bring business and jobs to Powell River to expand economy

130 open up good jobs to the entire community. Not just close friends, relatives and business associates.

131 go back to acting like a small community, not a city.

132 Peg tax increases to the cost of living. Have council start to live within OUR means.

133 Lower ferry rates Build a road to Squamish

134 use the EDO to invite industry to our area.VERY VERY important

135 Financial, moral support to the small person trying run a small business....less to the town's clique of developers....reign in those whose bus. riles

136 cut the licensing costs for the home based businesses. tax big business in a more effective and fair manner

137 ours is a community on the mainland, yet commerce is stressed due to the strangle-hold of BC Ferries' high cost.

138 Diversification More focus on sustainable business Less focus on industry Fair taxes - no deals Less cronyism Listen to reesidents Kill PRREDS

139 Higher industrial taxes, more focus on tourism, lobby for lower ferry fares

140 the initiatives coming out of city hall are harmful to a societally driven economy.

141 We need a local government open to new business/ industry. The protectionist policies and mind set of the powers that be need to end.

142 Employment for all our citizens, be it creating part-time employment in the way of cleaning up our streets, painting, boulevards, trails, gardening.

143 Ask the young people as they have ideas. Stop listening to aged men who lack imagination and research skills. Example - Waste water treatment plant!

144 More jobs for young people.

145 increase educational and training opportunities for current employees and youth develop and market Powell River as sustainable economic development

146 Once again, the promotion, protection and encouragement of the City for small businesses. All the work goes to out of town companies.

147 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, City/Reg contracts to small biz's, Tax/other incentives for GREEN Biz's + farms, viable FERRIES, encourage CO-OPs, Ferry in PR

148 support for small businesses, particularly sustainable locally owned operators support agriculture and food production support tourism

149 Tax breaks for locally owned businesses and assistance for establishing new businesses esp in Townsite

150 better paying jobs

151 We need a smelly paper mill like a hole in the head. Attract business geared to new oilless technology. Otherwise we become the next BC ghost town.

152 Creating a sustainable economy that provides an average or higher standard of living.

153 encourage green industry with tax incentives

154 Jobs Ferry cost

155 Larger, more diversified business sector

156 expand tourism and make the community more attractive

157 diversify, support visual arts through out region, not just City of Powell River,beutify the city's waterfront, more green space, public art gallery

158 "To strengthen Powell River's economy" means helping people first. The the first question to be answered is 'who'.

159 Free ferries! or very reuced ferry fares.

160 tourism, work for 55-65 age, another employment place or industry

161 diversify the economy...bring in new industry...market our beauty

162 Bring in more big businesses that would employ a lot of people. Lower ferry fares to keep the tourists coming. Try and get more younger people here

163 Reduce tax burden

164 a local exchange where people can exchange goods and services.

165 Decentralize, elicit the joy, enthusiam and inspiration of a community working together in true democracy. Take a long term view in decision making.

166 Better and less expensive ferry service.

167 1. Tourism 2. Local food production; meat/dairy products 3. natural resource production: forest products, seafood etc. 4. Environmental protection

168 Projects that would encourage more tourism. Lobby prov. gov. to lower ferry fares; ferries shld be same as highways-paid thru taxes.

169 Diversify. Encourage new, environmentally friendly industries to set up in Powell River.






170 Business. Not necessarily big box businesses. Sustainable business. Tourism - self promotion, more clean up and make PR a sort after destination.

171 desperately require 1-200 full time year round well paying jobs (high tech? or other) continue infrastructure improvements (hwy 101, Paradise valley



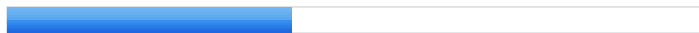


172 I don.t have a small business and I still have to pay for there up grades

173	Diversified sustainable jobs. develop an economy based on strengths--agriculture, beautiful setting, selfsufficiency.
174	Build a road that bypasses the ferries, or drastically reduce ferry fares.
175	Develop outdoor tourism
176	All timber from the Community Forest should remain in the community to create value added products/jobs.
177	get rid of the city council members they are a drain on the city budget.
178	Need a way for young people to make a living
179	Reasonable ferry costs or a new road link with Squamish. Lack of access to Powell River will never allow the town to grow.
180	- tourism - infrastructure
181	tourism promotion
182	Water front development to attract tourists; reliable and affordable ferry service
183	Hire more local companies for larger jobs instead of importing. Case in point SPCA building considering american company to build shelter
184	hire locally
185	promote tourism opportunities
186	Continue to diversify. Perhaps ad campain aimed at "zoomers" in national sources promoting lifestyle and weather.
187	We need to protect our mature and old growth forests, fishery sensitive watersheds, the Sunshine Coast Trail, Stillwater Bluffs and ocean front access
188	More tourism and businesses run by Sliammon FN community members
189	less prejudice - be a healthier environment
190	Encouraging local businesses: not making water licenses etc prohibitively expensive.
191	More diverse economy
192	Working together
193	Do not rely on "tourism". It is a false economy.
194	Affordable ferries. Securing new industry. Funding living wage (not basic wage) jobs to ensure young people can live here.
195	More support for small businesses, home based businesses and food growing businesses
196	A road to connect across land with BC highways. Focus on promoting eco-friendly outdoor lifestyle place. Ally with First Nations on new industry.
197	Powell River rerquires a highway connection to the interior. The ferry system stifles growth in all sectors including tourism.
198	Lower ferry costs! Grow more food locally. Spend locally.
199	needs a more coordinated approach for spending city funds.
200	Improve city hall attitude to encourage new business, improve harbour for visiting boaters, actively pursue tourism,
201	Job creation. Industry incentives. Tax incentives for buying local. Support local businesses.

6. How is supply of full-time jobs at the right skill levels and pay levels for people who are looking for work in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	0	0%
GOOD: 	6	2.25%
FAIR: 	105	39.33%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	118	44.19%
POOR: 	38	14.23%
Total Responded to this question:	267	96.39%
Total who skipped this question:	10	3.61%
Total:	277	100%

7. What do you think of Powell River's chances to provide sufficient jobs in the future to support a stable and healthy community?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	4	1.48%
GOOD: 	41	15.13%
FAIR: 	111	40.96%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	99	36.53%
POOR: 	16	5.9%
Total Responded to this question:	271	97.83%
Total who skipped this question:	6	2.17%
Total:	277	100%

8. [Optional] What are the most important things our community can do about work and employment in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	168	100%
Total Responded to this question:	168	60.65%
Total who skipped this question:	109	39.35%
Total:	277	100%

8. [Optional] What are the most important things our community can do about work and employment in Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Improve community literacy Repeal the Coastal Ferries Act
2	Determine and support living wage.
3	Focus on attracting businesses and helping them to succeed rather than finding ways to frustrate and tax them.
4	fight to attract new indusrt external marketing of PR study what area's we can be succesful at attracting new ind to PR
5	Diversify. Encourage small, clean industry. Build tourism. Support adult literacy programs and ESL.
6	Open it's door to business, providing incentives.
7	diversify, support entrepreneurs, create job sharing, implement a living wage
8	support local business's
9	Get some more apprentience opportunities
10	encourage "clean" industry, improve the ferry system and prices, more bicycle lanes
11	Encourage tourism.
12	create new industries- less red tape to create new industries, there are a few people/industries in town with too much power who veto new industries
13	Assess the skills of our work force and the needs of our citizens, then look for businesses we can attract to employ those skills and meet those needs
14	Encourage local farming and agriculture. Offer incentives for business and industry to locate here Promote the affordability of the community
15	encourage compatible, sustainable economic development & have the courage to pursue, practice, live out that alternate lifestyle Enough for all...
16	Encourage companies to not have part time hours for its employees. Give them full time work so they can get benefits and not have to work 3 jobs.
17	Need another business of large scale provider other than the mill.
18	More secondary industries employing skilled trades rather than minimum wage
19	Employers pay decent wage Employers follow employment standards
20	allow new business, diversify, utilize old blgs dont leave them empty
21	again diversification of the economic base...inviting and encouraging "green" industry, eco-tourism, small business etc.
22	diversify; more tourism? a weak reed in the long run but a lot of reeds are strong. we can't continue plundering our natural resources - trees fish
23	see previous
24	Capitalize on the "isolation", natural surroundings, create an destination appeal, "education destination", private school?
25	Support existing and new small businesses. Explore sustainable light industry.
26	change the culture from say no to everything to lets get working on generating some positive economic activity.
27	Unless we obtain some kind of big business working for base rate won't cut it. We need good jobs for our young people so they don't have to leave PR
28	pay a decent living wage to encourage young people to stay and work here
29	Attract mid-size business and tourism.
30	Invite outside business, encourage trades and service industry. Widen the land use classified for business. We aren't all retired.This needs to be# 1
31	Provide funds for people to access training and jobs outside PR
32	Educate people academically and in the trades. Follow sustainable practices in industries such as logging and fishing. Protect the environment.
33	support green inovation
34	from my experience jobs are harder to come by -employers not willing to pay decent wage to allow people to support families
35	See previous comments. Get our heads out of the sand and business's hand out the butts of our council members.
36	Work together, be open to a variety of possibilities and be willing to make short term sacrifices (tax base) for longer term gains
37	More options for employment, which would mean more employers.
38	develop tourism potential






39	Hire local people, create jobs, look after our own waste water treatment so it can be used
40	Promote the community with regards to new people moving into the area.
41	an active & intelligent economic development dept to outreach to sustainable business , waterfront farmers/crafts market with docks for visitor boats
42	1. Support workers trying to obtain or maintain decent wages. 2. Demand good quality work from local firms. 3. Long term jobs from resource industries
43	attract new business or industry or tourism
44	increase eco-tourism, eco-farming, invite people from other countries to live & open businesses here (see Brandon MB). stop relying on the mill.
45	Make this a retirement mecca, with the services to support it.
46	Increase tourism Increase green sustainable enterprises
47	The increase in the minimum wage will help. Stop depending on one big industry. Diversify. Agriculture, tourism and safe clean living for seniors.
48	Nothing can be done, global wars over resources (cheap oil) will lead to decline of populations worldwide & forced change in civilization. Grow food.
49	good paying jobs so young people can live here, right now they have to move out to get paying jobs that they can live on.
50	job training for jobs available in the community (such as Career Link/VIU), expand tourism opportunities, market our area to business organizations
51	Diversification, eliminate dependence on the mill
52	Encourage local trades like furniture making, local farming, tourism attractions.
53	Help people create new businesses
54	Get real about what a community needs most to flourish independently.
55	be creative and unconventional. look at asset distribution that is not currency dependent
56	BC ferry rates are too high to support businesses in area. Efforts to support economic growth need to focus on small scale not mega projects
57	Better access - lower ferry rates and/or build a rail/road fixed link to lower mainland or interior - we would flourish
58	reduce ferry rates / should have a residents' fare as the ferries are part of our highway
59	Make our city attractive to retirees coming from other communities. Encourage small business.
60	attract green industries that require electric power and/or natural gas. Perhaps greenhouse food production.
61	Tourism
62	attract small industries and businesses and give them a chance to get established before taxing them out of existence
63	It would be good if there was that resort I believe
64	attract new businesses and stop the "NIMBY" attitude for new industries that express an interest in building new industrial businesses here.
65	Encourage people to build their own jobs/employment/income , not rely on "a job" from someone else.
66	Encourage home-grown manufacturing for local consumption and export, attract knowledge workers from the city (empty mill office building for that?)
67	People cannot survive on minimum wage. Need to provide opportunities for young people to stay in the community
68	- bring in industry
69	More services to seniors. Obtain another industry. Protect natural beauty of the area.
70	Encourage new businesses to locate here, not make it difficult. Reduce ferry fares. Promote the community as a place for remote internet business
71	work closely with big industries, the mill is the most important source
72	work with VIU and businesses to sponsor kids to remain in Powell River for their 1st year university - businesses could sponsor poor kids
73	Support and collaborate with local institutions to attract past residents back - young entrepreneurs with fresh ideas and in tune with the times.
74	promote health care related jobs, we are becoming a retirement community and we need to meet the needs
75	Promote BUY LOCALLY and attract and engage industry and new business.....
76	Encourage govt. to provide more training opportunities for unskilled residents. Support small business.
77	Diversify
78	Encourage new high tech jobs and provide more training and education to service those jobs
79	Take down barriers and allow companies and people with money, time and desire to come here. THIS IS NOT JUST A RETIREMENT COMMUNITY.
80	Produce a plan to protect our environment and create jobs that enhance PR's environment for retirees and tourism, while creating "smart" jobs.
81	develop secondary industries and stop relying on the mill

82	Incentives for small business
83	I am self-employed (low-level computer programming), I have volunteered to teach programming at the Youth Centre, but it has come to naught....
84	new industry
85	Economic development and succession planning for existing businesses. Build on our strengths, such as growing the 'creative class'.
86	Connect with one another within the community so that we all know what human resources we might have here, what skills.
87	thinking out of the box - example - having various entities contribute to a common need
88	We need to create jobs here for young families,affordable housing,a better health system so doctors would want to live here.Powell river is Isolation.
89	offer more university entrance level courses to people so they don't always have to leave PR , higher minimum wage rates,
90	City hall needs to be more progressive and aggressive in IDing what businesses can work here and attracting them.
91	ferry situation has us truly isolated Companies think twice before locating here.
92	encourage industry and business to move in; remove some of the logistical/costl barriers that are preventing this
93	First study sustainability and resilience from a "power-down" and end-of-growth perspective. Try to develop a long-term vision of local resilience.
94	Encourage medium industry. 20 to 120 employees
95	Encourage industry to situate in powell river. Educate youth regarding existing current and future PR employment opportunities.
96	Attract more industry and promote the quality of living in a coastal community. Try to attract more technical jobs for our young people
97	working together and thinking outside of the box.....
98	Offer incentives for other industries to come here. Make building sites available. Give land tax breaks for new industries
99	Answer is obvious!
100	Encourage entrepreneurs, especially in the tourism business.
101	- employers should create full time positions with benefits to create stability for people trying to patch together a living with part time jobs
102	encourage small business to supply essential foods and other housholder needs
103	look at the person who is applying as a person
104	Training available locally to fill local job opportunities.
105	Support local biz & keep local earnings circulating in town Access government funding for job creation & small-business development Biz training
106	Develop tourism industry, fight high cost of ferries.
107	Perhaps another survey to see what employers in Powell River are looking for and then provide the training at VIU for these people.
108	work to make community more accessible with lower ferry fares work to make citizens feel confident about the future and then they may invest more
109	Get creative, take a chance, and go big.
110	Reduce the cost of business licences to stores or increase the cost of home based business licences. Too much disparity at present.
111	Create more sustainable jobs
112	Industry, high paying skilled employment
113	Open up avenues for the less connected folk in town....
114	reduce home taxes so people aren't living to work
115	The mill and housing development provide neither sound economic development or stable jobs. Look outside PR for new types of businesses/employers.
116	Improve tourism, encourage smaller business and entrepreneurs
117	remove barriers
118	Taxes on small business owners are very high. Cheaper to operate a business in Nanaimo. Lower small business tax. Make Catalyst pay their fair share
119	Build a prison
120	draw other industry and encourage small business growth
121	Apply for employment grants for low income persons, some of our tax monies go to fixing boulevards, cleaning sidewalks, painting bldgs, enhancing PR
122	Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Pay more but insist on no more contracting out, give the jobs to PR companies.
123	have employment that provides a sustainable and living wage
124	No truly innovative thinking in this community. The City is a problem because staff do not have the expertise to recognize the possibilities.
125	Infrastructure- buses, housing, child care so poor can work; Encourage health, soc service, tourism + labour (factory, manufacture, farm, textiles)
126	we need work that will attract young people and young families into the community - home based businesses, arts, and cultural,


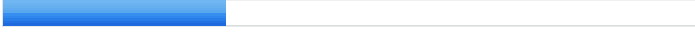



	educational.
127	Support for locally developed businesses esp. those that are environmentally responsible
128	Get rid of the mill and give the same tax breaks that catalyst is getting to attract new technology. Battery, solar, wind powered devices.
129	to continue to build a sense of community, through special events and a continuing beautification of the area
130	Actually do something instead of more studies, Attract small industry; a problem with transportation costs Build on retirement houseing,health care
131	encourage small business
132	more summer employment for students entice new alternate business stop concentrating on making PR a retirement centre- augment with other industry
133	research the demographics and determine the specific wants and needs.
134	job wages need to equal cost of living and that is a big gap, especially with such high rents
135	lobby the province and the feds to provide funds for skill development and provide incentives to new business to relocate here.
136	They need employment for younger people with families. They spend a lot more money in the community that seniors do.
137	Reduce the size of govenment put the tax dollars back in the hand of the consumers it's that simple
138	support innovative community building long-term jobs creating goods or offering services
139	Become a model community to educate the world out of the New World Order.
140	Local training at professional level (this keeps the trainee from going elsewhere and possibly never coming back.) Health care workers etc.
141	see: answer to quest. #5
142	Sustainable communities need a work force to keep everything else going. Young people leaving for work! so how do we keep them here and grow.
143	offer excellent infrastructure/community recreation/health services/etc.
144	Quit turning people away who have good ideas to start a businesse in town
145	New vision of selfsustaining industries and services based on true assessment of global and local limits. Bold leadership to make the vision real.
146	Encourage tourism, especially in the shoulder and winter season.
147	The most important thing is to recognize that the old model for the economy is not working and it is only a matter of time until there is a collapse.
148	Focus on Eco/Green jobs. Tourism- stop logging the Sunshine Coast Trail and Canoe Route. We were the Cultural Capital of Canada once, build on that
149	Perhaps a committee could research & provide creative suggestions of using Powell River assets/resources to support the basis of employment.
150	Pray that the mill doesn't close. Or bring in more businesses.
151	diversify...mill is OVER so get OVER IT!!!
152	support for small business and real estate development
153	Increase wages to give people a cost of living increase commenserat to gas, ferry and food increases
154	Education and training
155	Work in collaboration with PR+Sliammon in creating+maintaining a FN neighbour.The next level to what is already in place to the names of the communiti
156	Continue to offer incentives for med/large business to relocate here. Look to Asia for opportunities.
157	Expand the hospital services , the V I University, Academy of Music, PRACL and encourage tourism through protecting our mature forests and streams.
158	To develop a long term plan which can support SA recipiants to move from poverty to self dependency / independency
159	same as Q5
160	Ensure newcomers are treated equally when applying for jobs! Should not all be who you know in PR!!
161	Fair wages
162	Realistic assessment of resource based vs. "green happy" jobs. Both are needed.
163	Lack living wage jobs for young and mid-career workers. Our chances to attract new industry are fair if we drop ferry costs. Drop NIMBY.
164	More skill training. Promote going for university degrees. Don't look for one magic solution.
165	Provide a land based connection to Canada.
166	don't rely on big projects or business to supply work.
167	I think that question is the one that nobody seems to be able to answer.
168	local business tax incentives for job creation and growth.

9.

How do you rate your feeling of belonging and of being accepted as a part of the community life of Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	69	25.18%
GOOD: 	126	45.99%
FAIR: 	60	21.9%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	15	5.47%
POOR: 	4	1.46%
Total Responded to this question:	274	98.92%
Total who skipped this question:	3	1.08%
Total:	277	100%

10. How do you feel about your opportunities to take part in or influence important community decisions?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	17	6.2%
GOOD: 	88	32.12%
FAIR: 	106	38.69%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	41	14.96%
POOR: 	22	8.03%
Total Responded to this question:	274	98.92%
Total who skipped this question:	3	1.08%
Total:	277	100%

11. [Optional] What are the most important things for people in the community to do about belonging and leadership in Powell River?

		Responses	Percent
Responses:		167	100%
Total Responded to this question:		167	60.29%
Total who skipped this question:		110	39.71%
Total:		277	100%
11. [Optional] What are the most important things for people in the community to do about belonging and leadership in Powell River?			
Response	Response Text		
1	Adopt progressive models for community consultation on important strategic community issues		
2	Stop resisting ideas from anywhere else. Enough with the 'made in Powell River solutions'. It just becomes an excuse to not change anything.		
3	Be more inclusive. Find a way to reach out to newcomers and / or provide a way for them to meet others and get involved.		
4	become involved in community groups attend public info sessions join a non profit or two attend periodically Council & regional dist mtg's		
5	Support ESL and ESL social events. All community social and recreational groups need to put continued effort into reaching newcomers.		
6	Get involved.		
7	Get involved, volunteer, contribute your gifts		
8	get involved! don't cry apply		
9	get out and participate in things		
10	the council needs to be very transparent and make sure that people really do have an opportunity to make a difference in what gets done around PR.		
11	PR have an idea that you don't belong to this community unless you have bn here for 20 years or longer. You are regarded as a newcomer for too long.		
12	Get involved. Don't allow those with a vested interest in doing so to maintain the status quo.		
13	do what you enjoy doing and what you are passionate about		
14	City hall doesn't always listen well - the "old boys network" live on to sig degree. So keep at it - insist on communication and a voice - organize!!		
15	Have leadership actually listen to what the majority really wants.		
16	Councill to closed off and old fashioned.		
17	Old boys club still the mainstay - new ideas not accepted unless they fit the mould of existing thinking		
18	volunteer and join committees		
19	open forums at city hall		
20	-getting involved in something that you feel passionate about -encouraging leadership in the school system -support the arts		
21	join an organization, a non-profit. help out. give of yourself in some way		
22	Pay attention to what's going on. Volunteer.		
23	pro development groups have to band together and become vocal before the eco-terrorists completely destroy our economy		
24	People need to get involved and attend meetings. Those who are interested will do that.		
25	Give teens; young adults a say. the town will die if we only rely on retirees! Kids don't want to leave but no choice. are we a bedroom community?		
26	Attending council meetings. Councillors are too influenced by opinions of City staff.		
27	Educate people about diversity. Teach them that negative attitudes and assumptions are the biggest barriers to people with visible differences.		
28	-PR is a cliquy town - those outside the municipality can't influence many decisions - support small community centres; Stillwater, Craig Rd. etc.		
29	get involved		
30	Vote and run for council. I rated #10 low because of the lack of transparency and civic engagement by our current council.		
31	Put yourself out there, be interested, use your vote and your voice in ways that count.		
32	Make their voices heard! Be active in their political preferences- attend meetings and events!		
33	Participate in as many social and cultural events as possible.		
34	Council should listen to the people and not follow their own agendas.		
35	Embrace 'new' people & their ideas....my experience is their is an 'old school' mentality in the community. No one wants change.		
36	get involved ,		
37	Speak up. Participate. Demand accountability. Don't accept the statements of the local ruing class at face value.		
38	change the city council		

39 Oust the present leaders and replace with leaders who will be open to healthy change and leaders with progressive vision.

40 Get involved.

41 Network Volunteer Get involved

42 Participate, participate participate!

43 Leadership? HA! Never was, never will be, we're stuck in the mud at the end of the road, get rid of mill and mill mentality, hope die-off builds bonds

44 The community is very cliquy and council talks a good game prior to elections and then its the same old ways.

45 maintain small town community atmosphere continue events such as former Newcomer Social use Internet to communicate (Facebook, blogs, websites)

46 Involvement

47 I find that people here are judgmental about new people.

48 People need to get involved . There are lots of places to volunteer. You just pick the one that interests you the most.

49 Stay alive. Get educated. Witness what's happening on the planet. Grit your teeth and do what you can, right here. Survival is today's watchword.

50 community forums to we get to know one another so we can can about one another and can therefore become involved in issues of importance

51 Make room for new people with innovative ideas. Old faces block new ideas. The museum for example. Have a council who listens & embraces innovation.

52 get out and vote

53 Stop labeling people who care enough to voice an opinion as special interest, or "c.a.v.e." (citizens against virtually everything) Have some respect

54 Participate

55 Ask their skills and interests and slot that into volunteerism

56 Get involved.

57 Have Council take back their power and responsibilities from city staff.

58 More public input should be sought on important decisions, and really taken into account. Recent actions imply arrogant and heedless leadership.

59 People need to get involved and let their voice be heard either by voting or attending public meetings and events to voice their opinions.

60 get out to meetings, participate in discussions, get informed about things- don't sit at home and complain

61 When there is public input.....listen to it. Open up municipal debate on all issues.

62 - voice opinions - be positive - listen to other- advocate for those less fortunate than your self

63 Attend local ratepayers' meetings. Participate wherever possible.

64 Belonging is easier, make efforts to participate in what is here. Leadership is more difficult; be rationale not radical

65 volunteer work

66 join volunteer groups

67 people need to take part in events, to many people want things but are not willing to help out.

68 Involving more new comers by holding open forums etc.

69 get involved, volunteer, join associations, go to events, meet people, get engaged.....

70 Being involved, there are lots of opportunity to take part in decision making.

71 More community-building activities

72 Local Government listening to people.

73 Belonging is excellent; however regional residents and city residents are both shut out of decisions.

74 Current council are NOT LISTENING to the people!! The mill and sewer is one issue, the "Great Wall of Malta is another. Who allowed THAT!?

75 The regional directors have their own agendas and have little understanding of the need of the community and how we should plan for tomorrow

76 having council recognize that special interest groups are made up of individuals, and listen to them individually not dismiss them out of hand

77 Fair and equitable treatment for all

78 Volunteer, take part and contribute

79 get involved

80 World change is happening exponentially. Leaders must see that new people with new ideas & new ways of doing things should be investigated and embrace

81 Open House, Forums, Information sessions, Update sessions

82 Having a job,making money,being able to feed, shelter their families,keep families together.

83 be involved, take responsibility for being informed and educated about local issues,

84 Join something you're interested in and get involved. More interest groups (ie kayak club) would help.

85 speak out and consider all other opinions too; be part of the solution not part of the problem; work together

86 Be interested. Be informed. Engage the processes happening now, government and social.

87 You're on the right track. I might move there as I had a dream that you were an enlightened society meeting in a great hall with 2 live performance th

88 Get involved with things that are meaningful or interesting to them.

89 Utilize current venues to make concerns known. Make public aware of concerns that are not listened to.

90 Put away their own personal agendas and work toward common goals.....it doesn't really matter who gets the credit let's just get on the right track

91 More info meetings and people in power actually listening to the citizen's concerns!!@

92 volunteer to help Get involved

93 A difficult one....those who often run for such positions are not necessarily the best for the job! Many dumb decisions are made!

94 There seems to be an entrenched group of prominent people who sit on the council and it is their way or the highway for those who disagree with them.

95 stay informed and be involved

96 opportunities to speak out and have a say in changes that are happening in our community; .

97 get on the committees which try to make a difference stop contracts awarded to buddies and familie ties

98 include everyone not just certain groups

99 Vote on local issues; participate in community meetings and otherwise become familiar with local problem solving.

100 Think and act positively Research and know your facts Listen to others as well as offering own opinions Go out & be seen Join groups of interest

101 Get involved with groups and organizations to assist others and themselves at the same time.

102 Seems like Powell River city council has own agenda no matter what the people want. Too many special interest groups, preds, pracl, prsc, etc.

103 Become more involved with community functions.

104 participate in events of the community get involved by volunteering

105 Openess to other's opinions, not railroading their own agenda's.

106 One central info. agency. knowing what is available in a timely manner.

107 Be heard at our council meetings. Not have decisions made prior to community input being heard.

108 Get involved. If you are retired - volunteer.

109 City council needs to listen to the wishes of the local citizens

110 get involved in community service organization. get involved, work toward goals.

111 Committees and groups in town are almost incestuous in nature.....the same group of people, and their connections, seem to run everything in town...

112 I feel that although I am recognized by many with my volunteer and work, the people who actually make the decisions don't listen to the public at all

113 voicing convictions does not seem to have any impact on the decisions made by the elected leaders in our community! We must stand up, and take part

114 Find/elect responsive councillors rather than old boys who ignore most of the electorate. Insist that council consult and respond between elections

115 Better representation of citizens by council members. Too many special interests are currently represented. ie developers

116 silly question

117 PR is not really welcoming to newcomers as a whole. Only superficially friendly (very cliquey). Newcomers hang out with other newcomers to survive.

118 attend church

119 City hall caters to special projects with the electorate on the sidelines.

120 Run for council, get involved, go to meetings, write letters to the Peak

121 We love our parks but forests get cut down, oops, then left in an ugly state. Stop putting important decisions in the hands of aged, unwise men.

122 There are plenty of interest groups to participate in the community. Leadership needs to look at the whole community needs not just the self interest

123 For change to happen, tough choices have to be made. Mayor and Council don't have the fortitude to stimulate change. Some engineering staff has to go

124 Events 4 Newcomers AND longer residents to get together, Govts and Boards invite all groups to share info/participate-First Nation, old/young,etc etc


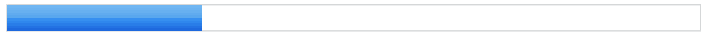

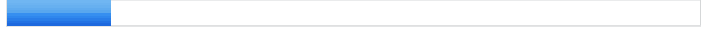

125 there are lots of oppourtunities for people to try new ideas - it is still a small enough community, and open enough to new ideas, just do it!

126 Emphasis on welcoming newcomers Public display and acknowledgement of diversity






127	Become active in community oriented groups. Attend civic and political events and meetings.
128	- get involved in community organizations
129	Stand up be counted and participate, volunteer to help an organization
130	Open government
131	keep an open mind about new ideas
132	learn to take a stand on issues
133	Become informed and get involved!
134	if you have no family here it is extremely difficult to break into the community-one needs to have a self-employment plan to live and make it here
135	be informed and when lobbying local gov't do it in a non-confrontational way
136	We need to get across to our mayor and councillors that they have to listen to the people and that we should all be working together.
137	Vote in all elections
138	act on their true values not just "any job is a good job" elect gutsy leaders willing to work for all the people, not just the ruling clique
139	Bringing opinions to the surface, "the squeaky wheel gets the grease" let the media know radio and newspaper. Leaders must listen, no bias allowed.
140	compromize and negotiate with people of diff. views; vote in different leaders; hire co. for a community vision/plan of PR & put in place.
141	Take an active part in community affairs. Vote.
142	When given a sense of feeling welcomed, validated and that you belong eliminates barriers and creates door opening & opportunities.
143	Make voices heard to government whenever possible, both formally and informally. Develop and support candidates who will represent our point of view.
144	Volunteer or participate in community events.
145	Council should start to listen. End the lies, corruption, ignorance, and economic and political blackmail. Have accurate reporting by the local paper.
146	People need to educate themselves. Council does not listen to the community at their open houses. We need to get council to listen to the people.
147	get voted into a position and make a difference
148	Get informed about what is happening. Maybe improve the information included in The Peak.
149	more opportunity for youth so they stay here
150	meet and talk with elected leaders; attend community meetings; make an effort
151	Being heard, in terms of constructing of new development , no consideration of locals
152	take responsibility for what they know/don't know Use "Open Space" concept for input from all stakeholders
153	Become involved, don't wait for an invitation.
154	Our elected officials should listen more to the public. We need zoning and bylaws to protect agricultural and residential land use and our water.
155	The community of PR has been working towards creating an environment, safety and sense of leadership opportunities for FN people, which is positive
156	listening to the community members
157	- Stand up and be counted - Volunteer - Join a group - If there isn't already a group that reflects your interests, then form one - Share your talents
158	Volunteering
159	Lack of inclusive information - the "Local Paper" and so-so radio are not adequate.
160	Step up to the plate. Volunteer. Take part in some of the free (donation) dinners in order to find a niche you want to fill.
161	get involved
162	More openness by politicians. Better effort to inform community and get their participation. Stop meeting behind closed doors.
163	Remove all the old guard (not referring to council here) at City Hall and replace them with progressive thinkers. This community could rock!
164	get involved
165	have a more open attitude to new people and ideas
166	Actively encourage new participants.
167	join associations/clubs, volunteer, show up to events, talk to people, engage, buy local, be positive, contribute thru awareness of programs.

12.

How do you rate the opportunity of immigrants to Powell River to get work and become part of the community in areas like making friends, finding good homes and becoming part of a neighbourhood?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	10	3.86%
GOOD: 	72	27.8%
FAIR: 	131	50.58%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	39	15.06%
POOR: 	7	2.7%
Total Responded to this question:	259	93.5%
Total who skipped this question:	18	6.5%
Total:	277	100%

13. How do you rate the opportunity for youth and young families to get work in Powell River and become part of the community in areas like making friends, finding good homes and becoming part of a neighbourhood?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	5	1.86%
GOOD: 	35	13.01%
FAIR: 	120	44.61%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	77	28.62%
POOR: 	32	11.9%
Total Responded to this question:	269	97.11%
Total who skipped this question:	8	2.89%
Total:	277	100%

14. [Optional] What are the most important things the community can do about people just getting started in the community?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	145	100%
Total Responded to this question:	145	52.35%
Total who skipped this question:	132	47.65%
Total:	277	100%

14. [Optional] What are the most important things the community can do about people just getting started in the community?

Response	Response Text
1	ESL Training
2	Wages in PR generally won't support raising a young family. Establish and support living wage.
3	well paying jobs
4	Through Welcome Wagon, make provide them with a list of churches and organizations and how they can learn more about or join them.
5	encourage the joining community groups and get involved having welcome to PR INFO SESSIONS BY THE CITY ITS SELF
6	need a community organization that focuses on welcoming newcomers, and helping them find the groups and institutions that meet their need and interest
7	Provide an orientation of services and events.
8	continue welcome wagon, newcomer's social, offer a free 6 month subscription to The Peak.
9	be friendly, open minded
10	low cost housing
11	We need to have better post secondary education available so that youth do not need to leave town to get further education.
12	Make newcomers feel welcome. Ie Newcomer's Social.
13	get them involved in a group. Church, toastmasters, other groups
14	Open ourselves to new ideas, new ways of doing things.
15	Young people can make friends here and fit into the community easily but there are very few jobs for them
16	Tough sometimes : work @ reasonable wage a prob - house prices increasingly a prob - If job there, it's a great place for young families
17	Unless they can find good work, young families can't stay in PR, or choose to move here
18	Again, industry prospects poor for young families to stay here or for the youth to return.
19	Hard to know - small town u can get superficially involved very easily but not able to really be part of the place
20	Support Welcom Wagon as a service New comers night
21	support them,
22	keep a viable workforce that provides decent jobs which pay above minimum wage
23	it all comes down to employment
24	The aforementioned low-income housing. Sustain services such as Career Link and Community Resource Centre.
25	need to have good paying job opportunities or business opportunities
26	again provide decent paying employment
27	Bring in more industry, heavy; light; office. We train kids but don't offer work! The social side is excellent here, but work is poor.
28	Provide immigrant employment services. The problem is, there may not be a large-enough critical mass of immigrants to qualify for funding.
29	Treat them with respect and dignity. Treat them the way you would want to be treated. See them as people just like you rather than the "other".
30	Lots of good work is in train for immigrants; we need more support for young families; workplace child care; studio/workshop space; collective promos
31	encourage employers to hire more people and pay a decent wage
32	Provide more opportunities. Orientation for new people. The yearly welcoming event at the complex is a good start.
33	Not sure but services and opportunities for youth are sadly lacking. There is not much opportunity for employment for those graduating high school.
34	Improve affordable housing options and transportation. more choices for post secondary education.
35	Arranging jobs.
36	We need job opportunities, lower rent
37	the new immigrant training program at PREP is fantastic, initiatives to showcase other cultures is a good idea,
38	Be open minded. Be supportive. Take chances on new friendships. Don't put people and their ideas down because they haven't been here for 25 years.

39 more neighbourhood events

40 Programs and services for youth and newcomers is good -- getting jobs (decent ones) is not so good. Invite newcomers to our homes; be open to learn.

41 Young people are having to leave Powell River to find work. We need to create more jobs here.

42 Be more inclusive rather than protecting the status quo.

43 Job creation

44 Be welcoming. Employ them.

45 PRiverites don't want new people here, the average "outsider" lasts 2-5 years before leaving, turnover is huge you can't build community that way

46 move out . because of farries and gas prices it hard to live on 9\$ an hour.

47 I became an immigrant because of Powell River, more free opportunities for youth to enjoy outdoor activities, ask youth what they want

48 Help them out instead of judging them

49 Talk to your neighbours. Have a neighbourhood party.

50 Make the stupid Peak irrelevant with better community communication avenues.

51 cultural events/ youth leadership and youth directed initiatives

52 Have jobs for them.

53 PR is a very friendly community. I feel that newcomers are treated with respect, interest and are helped to fit into the area by locals, neighbours,

54 We found this city to be unfriendly to new people.

55 Employment

56 Give them a good paying job and amenities.

57 Don't just welcome - INCLUDE! PR people are not as embracing as I think they think they are

58 Give them information on all things Powell River has to offer and ways they can get involved.

59 Bring back the Newcomers Fair! It was great.

60 Long-time residents can be resistant to accepting new residents. Recognize, value and use skills and knowledge moving into community, and of retirees

61 just say hello, strike up a conversation , get to know people's names, show an interest, volunteer

62 More supported training and employment programs

63 - have information about what is available, schools, day cares, sports, arts & culture, recreation - have free organized play ground activities

64 Things like Career Link help. Updating and advertising books that show what clubs are available.

65 finding work opportunities

66 Since we are a retirement community we have a strong group of volunteers who might mentor

67 be an ambassador for Powell River and be super friendly and welcoming.....

68 I really don't know how new immigrants find this community. In terms of young families, having some skills is very central to being successful

69 Focus on developing work and life opportunities for young adults and young families

70 Provide seamless support, encouragement, mentorshi, and training

71 Again...THINK OUTSIDE THE BOX!!! They are trying to GIVE stuff away, so how can young people survive?

72 PR has most things on hand. Good services, friendly people.

73 having more jobs available

74 Be good neighbours. Lend a hand and a hand up.

75 community organization lists seasonal community activities calendar

76 welcome wagon people, inclusion, church involvement

77 Promo kit for all new residents listing groups, clubs, events, resources, etc.

78 i think Pr does a pretty good job except in the employment sector where opportunities are limited

79 Few answers in our present conventional community economy. We need to want it more to start with, then start studying how to achieve it

80 Your community catapulted garbage that floated from our Coast on the oil-slicked waters back to us. The only transportation was brilliant horses that

81 Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

82 Be supportive and available to give them help of what things are available in the community and where to find them.

83 Employment is the biggest concern. If people new to powell river have liveable employment, there are ample opportunities to be involved with the communi

84 make them feel welcome and encourage them to become involved in our community and all we have to offer

85 Maybe a newcomers club with info from the business community.

86 support them by buying from them if they are competitive

87 First they need jobs!

88 It's not up to the community to do anything. The people need to take the initiative to help themselves, join clubs, volunteer etc.....

89 focus attention on the many groups already available and raise awareness of how "locals" can be welcoming and supportive

90 people are here for the environment, allow alternate transportation on the streets or through the community, like bike routes not on the streets

91 make it more open --help them in all areas

92 Regular newcomer events and programs Positive accolades for employers and residents who include newcomers via the press and/or community newsletter

93 Make sure they are invited to participate in activities and events.

94 People need skills, we need skilled workers, need employment opportunities

95 Provide training for good paying jobs(careers), here in Powell River.

96 affordable housing; above min. wage jobs. Diversify religions base.

97 Its up to the individual - there are a multitude of organizations one can participate in.

98 More jobs for low income earners

99 create employment

100 Can't get my comments under 150 words

101 continue to be open and welcoming

102 accept people from the "outside", be tolerant

103 More chances for long-time residents to encounter diversity personally. Celebrate different festivals Job networks of new and long term residents

104 Better employment, higher wages for entry level work

105 access to land. revisit the previous homestead act (repealed around 1975)

106 Most young people have to leave PR to make a decent living or have to have two or more jobs to survive. Need more well paying full time employment

107 bridge to the mainland or Vancouver island

108 Affordable housing, employment opportunities, activities for children and youth.

109 Feed the children first, give them a decent start. Help keep kids in school, send them to trades schools, help educate everyone for better paying jobs

110 provide safe affordable housing and providing a living wage with opportunities to grow and prosper

111 Once again, if there is no innovation, the kids will go somewhere where they can grow and have their ideas heard.

112 Housing, child care, transportation, more jobs - see Economy and Work sections. Activities for these groups, Mentors/youth and senior programs, etc

113 support newcomers - support their work, kids in schools, etc. if they come with new business - support that

114 Create a public registry for newcomers to record skills, needs, interests

115 There has to be good paying jobs in a field with a future. Keep the Sports complex in excellent condition and promote various clubs and functions.

116 Jobs - support for families, housing and health care

117 take a chance on someone or something new

118 more good-high paying employment opportunities in the region

119 No comment.

120 you left out seniors in the 55-65 age bracket - that is a big part of the problem....

121 provide lots of information even before they get here

122 Pass on our excess to help those in need. Be open to new friendships/relationships.

123 adequate schools with good teacher/pupil ratio Information readily available to those who want to move here. Racial tolerance and understanding.

124 Be open and accepting.

125 There is more than meets the eye. We need to search out and learn of these needs to better address what we can do to help.

126 Improve and add services for new and young families to find jobs, housing, organizations that suit and support them.

127 Make newcomers feel welcome, encourage them to participate in community events.

128 More openness, less favouritism of the elite (rich)

129 Be neighbourly and offer help and advice. Have some information package about life, events and services for the realtors to give to new residents.

130 introductions

131 Powell River is already welcoming and friendly



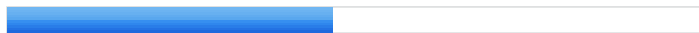


132	Young families cannot afford to move or stay in Powell River. Jobs are based on minimum wage and rents are increasing Ferry fares are killing us
133	A local resource book
134	So far everyone is very welcoming. Finding a job which will sustain us is a challenge.
135	Offer affordable housing, more daycares, opportunities for self employment and cheaper ferry fares.
136	Seems to me by looking at opportunities for immigrants,it has been very supported,while FN's people need support to become independent in their own la
137	be more open
138	Invite them to join us in our many community endeavours :)
139	Helping
140	Recognize the value of hard work and motherhood. Stop referring to us as a "retirement" town.
141	The communities do a fairly good job right now of inviting participation, except for wanting a long-term commitment up front. How about a 1-wk trial?
142	Increase constructive community social activities. Promote more places where young people and newcomers can mingle.
143	Provide land based access to Canada so that the community can grow. With growth comes job opportunities.
144	let their new ideas be heard by all powell river
145	Be friendly and positive and share the great things about this area. Introduce them to people - sometimes it's who you know.

15.

How do you rate the amount and variety of arts and cultural activities that are offered in Powell River that you take part in?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	113	41.39%
GOOD:	110	40.29%
FAIR:	37	13.55%
BELOW AVERAGE:	10	3.66%
POOR:	3	1.1%
Total Responded to this question:	273	98.56%
Total who skipped this question:	4	1.44%
Total:	277	100%

16. What is your view about job opportunities within Powell River for work in the area of arts and culture?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	4	1.48%
GOOD: 	62	22.96%
FAIR: 	126	46.67%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	55	20.37%
POOR: 	23	8.52%
Total Responded to this question:	270	97.47%
Total who skipped this question:	7	2.53%
Total:	277	100%

17. [Optional] What are the top things that can be done for arts and culture in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	141	100%
Total Responded to this question:	141	50.9%
Total who skipped this question:	136	49.1%
Total:	277	100%

17. [Optional] What are the top things that can be done for arts and culture in Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Build a new library and cultural centre on the waterfront Create a university concentrating on fine arts and incorporating the Academy of Music
2	While there are lots of arts, any job opportunities in the arts are too low paying.
3	support
4	This is something I know nothing about.
5	Continued promotion and growth of the space within our City and Region Advertise what we ahve externally Arts and Culture speacility school
6	Attrct more events.
7	fund them
8	attend the events
9	arts and culture is pretty well looked after
10	this is one area that is very strong in Powell River and we just need to keep doing what we are doing.
11	We should promote our arts and cultural events and opportunities more.
12	more jobs more money to support the arts. get more new people involved in stabilized arts. PR acad of music are run by the same pl. train next generat
13	PR loves the arts! Support them! Attend concerts! Prices are right! Getting a job s/t difficult I suspect but is a growth area w potential
14	Too much stress on these two areas and not enough on Sports and Leisure spent.
15	Not much without a larger population - people like the service but do not support things
16	no comment
17	more productions, feasible costs.
18	-provide more source of funding -do not charge musicians who perform at Blacberry Fest (for eg.), pay them! The arts draw people to these events!
19	support with tax breaks/donations in kind, as happens, I believe, with the Academy of Music. small investment for SOAP and Kathaumixw
20	Make it easier to get here, harder to leave.
21	Advertise arts events as aggressively as hockey games.
22	a coordinated marketing approach and a coordinated fundraising approach
23	New library and new museum including display space for arts.
24	I am happy with the way things are regarding art & culture. we excel at that.
25	Provide marketing help, or access to the services of an agent.
26	Provide free spaces for artists to display art or play music. Do not charge musicians to play at street festivals. Value and support artists.
27	subsidized work space and promotions; training to maximize good ideas; parent-child arts activity look to the future
28	Local funding for arts innitiatives. Education stream for the arts.
29	community, municipal and provincial support. Have people value arts as part of a healthy community.
30	More promotion of world class events. increase hotel space.
31	Could we look into a college for music?
32	More advertising!
33	vigorous lobbying on behalf of the arts, art shows, etc
34	Perhaps more cooperative venues like Artique and the Fine Arts group at Timberlane?
35	get people, particularly tourists, to buy more art. Open up Marine Avenue as an artist street and subsidize rents for a season to attract tourists.
36	Increase funding for arts & culture; support new initiatives; open an art and eco school here.
37	Arts and culture at this point is mostly volunteer. We need a standing committee of Council dedicated to Arts and Culture along with appropriate \$.
38	I think we are doing a great job for a town of this size

39 Continue to support them. Find a way to provide cheap clean accommodation for students involved in the arts.

40 leave it alone, cream rises to the top, cliques abound, each is not welcoming to competition or strangers-could be just a natural tribal survival ploy

41 many entrepreneurial artists live here, offer more opportunities for them to market wares,

42 Funding

43 I think the arts are doing very well.

44 Not expect musicians to work for free

45 Start the school of fine arts in Townsite. Make PR a publishing center, a book-town.

46 Support the Academy of Music financially. Develop an arts and cultural centre for instruction and training.

47 continue to increase funding for arts groups and support arts programmes in our schools

48 Welcome new ideas

49 Post secondary education in the performing arts and stage craft

50 Give artists more opportunity for the community and tourists to view their work. Perhaps an exhibit day for artists, once a month, in various venues.

51 City council needs to financially support long standing institutions such as the Academy of Music.

52 help make them accessible to people on low income. Many arts programs tend to be rather pricey and out of reach to anyone without a substantial incom

53 Support bands/various music groups in performing at McKinney's or other pubs..... it's pretty same-old-same-old right now

54 New library

55 Take local music into the studio, build an export industry around music and art, make PR a destination for music events. So many possibilities!

56 Better funding and opportunities for exposure even in the community. Some public art would also raise the profile.

57 we need a dedicated ,secure, art gallery for displays of artists work. Make it easier to obtain funding for events, projects,

58 More municipal support as line items not grants

59 - opportunities for the children to expereince first hand - drama clubs - visual arts expereinces - song & dance - sewing - be original

60 Continue Kathaumixw. Build an art gallery. Honour artists in our town.

61 Bring in a few professionals, not just rely on local talent

62 continue to bring in music talents

63 Support arts for the general public, realizing that though arts have never been totally self-supporting, they are essential to a vital culture.

64 The community is very involved

65 When the economy is slow, sales in art is slow too. We should be increasing and encouraging "public art" where are the statues, sculptures?

66 More funding for arts and culture

67 More important to focus on practical employment then subsidize art and culture

68 Provide more opportunities for low-income children to participate in events and classes; more arts in schools

69 Not much of a living being made I don't believe, but there is lots going on..Better have a carrer if you want to survive for the most part

70 artists and galleries should be given more recognition, outside of this area, which would then be a draw for tourism

71 More events and encouragement for local artists. More community support needed for farmers market and local produce

72 Continue holding events that draw visitors to P.R.

73 access to raw resources - as an example - the cedar tree have arts and culture interest courses/weekends/workshops

74 Create jobs for people who live here.

75 More funding, local government being more open to hearing ideas from the public, no corporate monopolies influencing decisions

76 More grants, other incentives for people to stage arts, cultural events & festivals.

77 Ferry costs are a concern both for incoming and outgoing activities. We have top notch facilities but a reluctance to use them due to costs

78 Be involved. Do music instead of TV

79 knew the way on the trails. A closed exclusive community thriving in a world poor, depraved desolate.

80 Jobs

81 Municipality should assist with funding of current events such as Kathaumeux, and SOAP that are proven to bring in people and money to the community.

82 Let's focus on all arts & culture not just the Academy of Music.....

83 more public concerts in the park, we have such a wealth of talent, but the average citizen is not aware of this talent.

84 the population has to grow to support the arts you need people with a disposable income to support them and young people on base rate can't afford it

85 Of course increased govt funding for programs and grants make it more viable for artists to survive.

86 increase funding and grants to groups who bring \$\$ into the community through tremendous, but flagging, volunteer effort (Academy of Music)

87 more places to get experience

88 When residents have more discretionary dollars to spend, this sector will have more opportunities, so the key is a vibrant economy & low unemployment

89 Most of the jobs are voluntary. PR Academy of Music does offer work for music teachers.

90 Think we are an arts and cultural rich community.

91 Need to attract more individuals that are interested in arts and culture (see what other cities are doing to attract these people)

92 We have enough in this area....not sure it creates many jobs and only those with money can afford to go.

93 Annual arts and culture festival.

94 Build an outdoor theatre

95 create employment with high paying skilled jobs

96 Could advertise them more....get council involved personally in all sorts of cultural events....use some city money....friendlier to outsiders

97 Jobs are scarce in the arts everywhere. Supporting the arts with reduced cost for city services would help

98 If we believe that culture in all its forms is necessary for a thriving community we must, at some points sponsor its survival

99 Art Gallery Free music that allows poor to participate Greater variety in type of music Book club focussing on local writers - reading and writing

100 Stop expecting local musicians to work for free at public events

101 More Advertising events, lots of performances to bring to the public, outdoor performances at the beach.

102 A public gallery would be a start!

103 Artwork that lasts. Get rid of the sidewalk art that's decrepit and an embarrassment. Look beyond Sliammon. First Nations are not the only culture here

104 Sustainable funds for arts and culture. Many organizations manage year to year on funding and grants.spend valuable time applying for funds over again

105 Gov support for events + jobs; reduced rents, tax breaks for those volunteering/creating events that bring people to PR

106 need gov't support need community support - get out and attend!

107 A dedicated public arts and culture centre for display and performance perhaps combined with plans for new library

108 Funding, promotion, more events. Revitalize the downtown (marine) core. It is an eyesore. This town could be a jewel of the pacific and an arts centre

109 The isolation is a problem when trying to attract and keep people interested in the arts there are only so many in PR to support. accesability-cost

110 more public art; a dedicated space for an art gallery which shows local as well as work from outside the community; a stronger curriculum in music/art

111 support current public art gallery with signage and funding. Expand Arts Council grants to include whole region

112 Unknown.

113 there are a wide variety of options but they all cost money so therein puts a gap in the ability of seniors to participate-also no transportation.

114 create a department in the city dedicated to attracting arts and culture as an economic driver

115 I think we're doing a great job with arts and culture in this town. Keep it going.

116 encourage hockey players to dance and play music!

117 Understanding of the past with 1st nations leading the way. museums, books, films (docs) etc.

118 Build an Art Gallery; need a new library; increase tourism; need lower ferry fares; Comox-PR ferry needs to stop at Texada;hold meetings w/ art comm.

119 Develop arts and tourist related businesses to broaden what,s available and increase jobs in the arts.

120 More cultural events are needed.

121 Attract better quality of arts and culture

122 Have a University for Music Education/Arts

123 There should be a permanent market or stores along the seafront for artists to sell their wares to the visitors. A good hub for the arts.

124 - greater support for "low brow" music

125 the culture coordinator do his job

126 already good job

127 Create an overseeing body willing to fund and encourage artists who continue to volunteer their time and work for free Arts honorariums a must

128 provide access to resources






129 Support the Academy of Music, Vancouver Island University, all music and art events and the youth center.

130 It would be a great opportunity to provide FN students/children + families to work @museums, restaurants,tourist offices,campsites





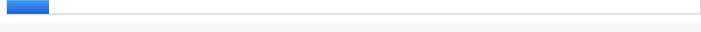
	and be more present
131	getting the younger generation involved
132	REAL municipal support would be nice. There is LOTS of support for sports teams and little to nothing for arts and culture.
133	More funding
134	Sad. Over glorified by few. Many voices not heard.
135	support from local government
136	We need more variety of music and cultural activities. We have some world class performances, but the mix is limited and not always relevant to youth.
137	Provide a land based highway to Canada.
138	complex could sponsor more events for local musicians and artists
139	encourage new people to take part in the arts.
140	City funding Supporting the library
141	There is enough balance/focus on arts & culture for the population. Industry and small business development is in more need of attention!

18.

How do you rate the progress you are making as an individual to increase recycling and composting and to reduce waste, energy use and harmful emissions?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	72	26.09%
GOOD: 	151	54.71%
FAIR: 	45	16.3%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	6	2.17%
POOR: 	2	0.72%
Total Responded to this question:	276	99.64%
Total who skipped this question:	1	0.36%
Total:	277	100%

19. How do you feel Powell River is doing as a community on steps to help preserve or improve the environment?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	9	3.27%
GOOD: 	102	37.09%
FAIR: 	105	38.18%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	42	15.27%
POOR: 	17	6.18%
Total Responded to this question:	275	99.28%
Total who skipped this question:	2	0.72%
Total:	277	100%

20. [Optional] As a community, what should our top actions be to help the environment?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	168	100%
Total Responded to this question:	168	60.65%
Total who skipped this question:	109	39.35%
Total:	277	100%

20. [Optional] As a community, what should our top actions be to help the environment?

Response	Response Text
1	Raise fuel taxes
2	Making riding the bus a realistic option. This is the most care dependant community I've ever lived in.
3	keep the garbage out of the backcountry
4	Conrinue work on our sustainability charter Composting and recycling Save as many forests as possible understanding we are a forest based communi
5	curbside pick up of mixed recycleables. No more sorting or plastic bags required. Make Catalyst clean up their emissions. Ban plastic shopping bags
6	Don't sacrifice the environment for the economy.
7	make it easy for people to recycle
8	recycling and composting
9	we need to get a proper waste management system in place.
10	We need recycle bins in Lund.
11	educate and make it easier for regional district to support recycling
12	deal with our own garbage have our own composting centre for the community with curbside pickup
13	Community composting, preserving green space, improving public transit, encourage local shopping, food production, TEACH the old and young about it.
14	Compost household greens.
15	We do we have to pay for garbage when we already pay such huge taxes?
16	Too much emphasis on environment - we live in a forest -not enough on sustainable industry
17	Ban bottled water Work with gov to control logging in water sheds Control use of pesticides Encourage solar use in city businesses
18	we do well in this area mostly, higher dumping fees for the peeps dumping in the wooded areas
19	-Do not allow massive cuts of forested areas alongside residential communities, such as what occurred in the Townsite -we should have Aircare here!
20	make Sunshine Coast Trail a linear park. scooter parking at the Complex upper door (!), bike trail thru the Cut
21	community composting - somehow stop the littering in the bush, public transportation could be better to avoid driving
22	Community composting. Preserve the watershed. Remove stupid by-laws re clotheslines. Tax the s**t out of monster houses.
23	good quality developments that are envirnomentally friendly
24	reduce the cost to use the waste transfer station so that more people will be inclined to use it rather than throwing trash into the forests
25	More would recycle if they didnt' have to pre-sort as proved in other communities. fig's up to 80% if this is implemented. we do good though.
26	Community-wide composting program.
27	Environmentally sound disposal of waste. Improved monitoring of mill's impact on environment. Stop clear-cuts. Plant native plants and organic food.
28	we should embrace green technology & local foods; decentralize services; clean up rural sewage problems re privatized installation rules
29	Address our waste water issue. Listen to the experts IOW's get truly educated. There are great ideas out there!
30	continuy to support community initiatevs for sustainable living.
31	Offer education and information on enviromental issues.
32	waste treatment facility
33	Enforce no idle laws. Educate people. Enforce recycle (fines for not recycling)the city should collect and make compost. City shut off lights themsel
34	Promote more recycling....more education on environmental issues...Powell River is considerably behind larger centres with respect to recycling.
35	pickup for compostables, do an inventory of how businesses are recylying and clean ensure constuction sites are recycling demolition waste
36	Demand accountability from industry, local business and individuals.
37	personal actions

- 38 Put the sustainability charter to work instead of just on paper. Car sharing and public transport improvements. Add career eco courses to VIU
- 39 We need to develop solid waste plan that includes recycling, composting, etc.
- 40 Educate people Penalize those who don't recycle Charge more for garbage disposal more recycling options eg. Recycling for styrofoam
- 41 Compulsory separation of garbage and the making of compost for sale.
- 42 reduce plastic use
- 43 Ban logging, ban gas lawn mowers, get rid of mill, kill Plutonic, keep tankers out of Straight, nix industry/ corporate mentality, taxreward gardeners
- 44 car checks on exhaust
- 45 bins are easy to access to recycle, Peak provides information, balance access to back country with preservation
- 46 Logging has ruined many scenic areas like the canoe route and parts of SCT. It needs to be slowed down. Locally logged wood should be processed here.
- 47 Create less trash.
- 48 Preserve the trees. Keep our water and air clean.
- 49 Find a way to get rid of Island Timberlands (oxymoron or what?) and stop exporting our precious trees! (Tell the Peak to stuff its Friday crap, too!)
- 50 more awareness/community initiatives that look at alternatives to consumersim
- 51 Preserve some areas from the clear cutting that is going on
- 52 Bike & walking lanes. More recycling bins, (townsite, wildwood, etc.). Hsehold. compost program like halifax. Sort and recycle dump waste
- 53 place environmental issues as no.1 in all decisions re land use, industry, fish farms, clearcuts, etc. Visitors will not come to see a clearcut.
- 54 Kill the co treatment plan as it could result in sewage in the sea.
- 55 An energy audit should be completed for the City and the region
- 56 Reduce waste, recycle more, less packaging by manufacturers. More eco-friendly products. Electric cars.
- 57 Keep planting trees: do something about the devastation and degradation of our local forests.
- 58 I would like to see green recycling (compost) and free pick-up of yard waste.
- 59 find a recycle source for styrofoam. keep up good work with home gardens
- 60 I cannot believe that lack of effort most people seem to make. I make one 1/2 bag of garbage/month...b/c I recycle
- 61 Reduce car usage (PR is still totally geared around cars) Retro-fit old buildings for energy efficiency
- 62 Curtail logging! It ruins long-term potential as an eco-tourism destination. Regional compost facility. More, smaller buses, more routes lower fare
- 63 Recycling awareness needs to be increased and reusing yard waste by creating public composting and mulching. Tie this into the LWMP.
- 64 more programs to educate about environment, recycling, home gardening, home preserving,
- 65 Burn our waste for power instead of sending it south. Comprehensive bike paths separated from traffic as much as possible. Every subdivision must ha
- 66 - curb side composting - reduce household waste
- 67 Stop the clear cutting.
- 68 closely monitor those who continue to dump their garbage in our forrest roads and trails. Find them and fine them.
- 69 Stop illegal dumping
- 70 1) Identify our top environmental harm producers 2) plan for reductions 3) implement the plan.
- 71 Need to bring back the incinerator should not be sending our garbage out
- 72 Not be afraid to challenge industry to clean up its act, this would include logging and municipal operations.
- 73 Make it easier to practice reduce, recycle, and reuse
- 74 bike lanes, education, environmentally friendly paper mill and waste recycling
- 75 Stop charging for garbage tags, build the cost of it into taxes and MUCH less dumping in the bush etc. INCINERATION!!!! 3 times passed on voting day!!
- 76 Support the burning ban in back yards. Have a clean air bye-law. Have a green waste collection. --on Texada people burn plastics in their back yards!
- 77 public recycling program. Free dumping of garden waste. Free public chipping and free pickup of the chipped bio waste. See Sechelt's landfill regime.
- 78 Waste disposal
- 79 Encourage more local food production. Build bike lanes, particularly through the cut.
- 80 improve recycling access in the north end of town
- 81 mandatory recycling, incentives for people who are trying to make a diference, a mobile composting business for people who live in condos and apartmen

- 82 transportation.. keeping more things in the down town area.. library.. for sure..
- 83 blue boxes, more recycling, regional composting facility with roadside pickup of compost, more bike greenways
- 84 Grow local Food. Foster Support local organizations already focussing on this issue
- 85 stop Enbridge Oil Tankers with Dogwood Initiative or Alvarz. Continue your excellent work and community support like Blackberry Pottery. Get sustainab
- 86 My understanding is that, currently, glass that is taken to recycling is not actually recycled.
- 87 Sustain clean air quality, and clean water
- 88 The city should encourage periodic collection of junk & refuse..help eliminate the illegal dumping around the community It would also beautify area
- 89 Not involve the Mill in any decision making on the environment
- 90 compost sites for suites and apartment buildings
- 91 If we did not pay so much for the weekly garbage pick up and to take garbage to the dump, then people would not be dumping in the bush!
- 92 Presserving the quality of the water on our lakes and in the ocean. Getting more forest land set aside and preserved for recreational use
- 93 continue to raise awareness through local initiatives--ongoing articles in newspapers of the many small changes we can make to make a big difference
- 94 recycle, reuse and reduce the amount of garbage. Take the bus when needed. Ride a bike if possible instead of driving.
- 95 We need to include a recycle pick up service. And thoughts of a community composting site would help Other communities are looking into this idea.
- 96 stop shipping the garbage out have a full scope recycling program have bike lanes in places besides the road, riding a bike in PR is dangerous, and
- 97 everyone doing their share
- 98 Process waste locally, recycling wherever possible: stop trucking to remote landfills!
- 99 Educate the public about benefits to them of helping the environment Encourage the public with "rewards" such as recognition for positive actions
- 100 Get better at recycling. Don't put cardboard into the landfill.
- 101 Reduce, recycle, reuse. Reuse the current lwp rather than spend a lot of money sending it to the mill, free once a year garbage pickup at curb side
- 102 Reduce logging and fishing and encourage mining industries
- 103 The city should allow one bag or garbage per week without payment as Campbell River does.
- 104 Willingdon park land that was recently purchased should have all of its trees preserved in its natural state, small sit parks should be encouraged.
- 105 Ban back yard burning - get your act together and put council words into action not just another report to file on the dusty report shelf.
- 106 Stop raising garbage fees. They could be part of taxes. Give incentives NOT to dump garbage.
- 107 A yard waste pickup should be available. Maybe change garbage pickup to every two weeks and offer yard waste pickup alternate weeks.
- 108 Close the landfill in Wildwood Don't burn biosolids in the Mill
- 109 education,information..its working now
- 110 reward people who have or planting trees...more green spaces with trees in the populated..limited developers from lopping down every tree they see
- 111 reduce bus fares every year instead of increasing them. Bike lanes. Sidewalks. Neighbourhood recycle bins. reward agriculture, farming & gardening
- 112 adopt a waste policy that recycles wastes of all kinds to the highest degree. As glass is expensive to move, set up a plant to reuse glass -here.
- 113 Drive less, smaller Reduce garbage, store packaging Reduce water use Keep tertiary LW treatment Reduce chemical use - gardens, cleaning, building
- 114 Deal with the toxic waste dump in Wildwood. Continue to educate and promote ..reduce-reuse-recycle-compost
- 115 existing landfill site(s) clean-up. a truly innovative waste management plan for liquid and solid waste, with zero emissions as a goal.
- 116 Have composting service like Comox
- 117 build a new City owned and operated stand alone sewerage treatment facility.
- 118 One wkend a yr, all residents be allowed to put out all their junk and it is picked up by municipality and disposed of free to the public.
- 119 Recycling kitchen waste, make it more expensive for people who don't recycle, get batteries and other electronics out of the waste-stream, etc..
- 120 Take the recycle and garbage contract away from Long's monopoly. We could be receiving money for our waste instead of lining Long's pockets. SHAMEFUL!
- 121 provide better public transit community composting educational recycling programs articles and public advertising about services available
- 122 Environmental laws should be respected. How many landslides are there in the sea walk and old arena area? Why were the gray heron nests not found?

123 More green Recycling Stations; Add Composting Stations; Govt + Biz's more green- energy, recycling, less waste, less packaging, electric vehicles,etc

124 have a community composting system of pick-up and sell the compost back to individuals better bike lanes

125 Safer walking and cycling access on major routes Tax breaks for greener vehicles Big Incentives for use of public transportation

126 Get rid of the mill. It pollutes and destroys our forests to make paper. Attract eco friendly and sustainable manufacturing and research.

127 1. clean up 2 improve our environmental practices as far as logging, fishing, agriculture and lawn chemicals, tackle the problem of invasive plants

128 Better recycling a provincial problem should be more incentives to recycle like milk cartoons have refund like pop.

129 Set up free composting site along with opportunity to recycle more materials, and make it an easy process

130 let's have a free store where people can bring their cast-offs and other people can take them.

131 create infrastructure for alternate energy supply support local agriculture more plant more trees,create more green space

132 Functionally involve the community in developing and implementing short and long term strategies.

133 again you need a car to get to the bottle recycling and milk containers should be refunded - so more accessible place to refund would help seniors

134 provide education and make it easier for the consumer to reduce

135 Encourage people to recycle and continue to educate people about growing their own vegetables and fruit and raising animals.

136 Clean up the large number of old dump sites that are sending yellow water into the ocean

137 sustainable, site specific energy sources, organic farming, car pooling and ride sharing, ecoforestry, conservation. We are the environment!

138 Stand against mega projects that destroy environment and bleed money and ownership rights out of the country.

139 Keep sensitive areas for tourism, i.e. Davie Bay, Texada Island. Watershed protection Bring backyard problems to the forefront using the media

140 Create more PROTECTED greenspace/Parks; STOP industrial damage to lands-get co's to repair damage; PREVENT MINING at Davie Bay, TexIs.; VOTE NDP/GREEN

141 Follow the three R's. Compost when and where possible. Walk more, cycle more, drive cars less.

142 We could all do more. There are some that see the need to deposit garbage in our beautiful back country. We need to change this.

143 Need a realistic assessment of our impact and how to lessen it drastically. Develop organic sustainable agriculture.

144 Recycle, improved public transit.

145 Remove present elected officials and staff

146 Stop logging in the Watershed and use the forest as a Carbon Credit. Build a Composting Plant-aim for zero waste.

147 Make the town more Bear Aware and reduce available garbage. Make sure that sewage outflow is handled appropriately. Pick up garbage in the area.

148 - shut down the mill

149 recycle

150 more regular replacement of recycling bins: twice per week instead of once

151 Create a composting sewage model and beautification project similar to the one in Comox Courtney

152 Have a recycle educational sessions for all stakeholders

153 Doing good. Improve transit frequency, then hours of service. Perhaps bike lanes on major streets.

154 Protect old growth and mature forests on Crown Lands and Private land. All rivers and streams need wider forested buffers, and wetlands preserved.

155 Keep working and educating people on our environment

156 less garbage on the roads - people throwing out their MCD bags and other rubbish (containers)

157 Stop dumping garbage in the woods. Stop ATV break-up of trails. More recycling options in our community...not as it is affordable by barge.

158 Create a waste management plant that converts organic garbage into soil

159 Ensure beach access in Regional districts.

160 Look to Sechelt/Gibsons. The Recycle program here is absolute crap. Quote me.

161 Stop shipping our garbage elsewhere. If you don't want the garbage stacking up in your front yard (or a new city dump) stop buying so much stuff.

162 stop cutting down all the trees!!!!

163 Powell Rivr needs to be more innovative on energy use. Less reliance on vehicles. More effort to reduce creation of garbage. Need a compost program.

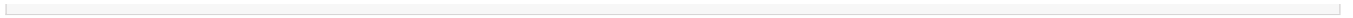
164 Provide a highway to the interior which would reduce the cost of transportation making recycling viable.

165 more education in the schools. try and provide low cost electric scooters. help low income families with more energy efficient heating.

166 waste recycling needs to be better thought out and studied.

167 Plant trees, ban on plastic, improve roads for cycling, plant more trees.

168 environment is fine - job creation and increasing the tax base needs to be all important.



21.

How do you rate access to good medical care and support within Powell River for you and your family's physical and mental health?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	37	13.45%
GOOD:	123	44.73%
FAIR:	80	29.09%
BELOW AVERAGE:	28	10.18%
POOR:	7	2.55%
Total Responded to this question:	275	99.28%
Total who skipped this question:	2	0.72%
Total:	277	100%

22. How easy is it for you and people you know in Powell River to get sufficient amounts and varieties of locally grown food?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	29	10.58%
GOOD:	117	42.7%
FAIR:	90	32.85%
BELOW AVERAGE:	33	12.04%
POOR:	5	1.82%
Total Responded to this question:	274	98.92%
Total who skipped this question:	3	1.08%
Total:	277	100%

23. [Optional] What are your top issues about health and well-being in the community?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	149	100%
Total Responded to this question:	149	53.79%
Total who skipped this question:	128	46.21%
Total:	277	100%

23. [Optional] What are your top issues about health and well-being in the community?

Response	Response Text
1	Quality of health care Mill emissions
2	Low wages, lack of social housing.
3	We have come to accept people with disabilities, but not mental illness. Steps must be taken to end the stigma.
4	None!
5	Travel required for health care can be painful and stressful. Local food tends to be too expensive for all but the most dedicated locovores.
6	more specialists and special diagnostic testing HERE. Host a quit smoking campaign, provide a harm reduction strategy for drug abuse
7	always having to go out of town for speciality treatments
8	better access to Mental health care
9	legalize raw milk and local meat sold. ban junk from schools- serve only healthy food to kids.
10	Stigma attached to mental illness needs to be eradicated so people will seek and find the help they need and realize they are not alone.
11	Encourage local agriculture in order to establish our own food security as well as employment.
12	Great medical care here. Like alternative modalities available here. Local food situ. improving, & that's great! City needs to actively support
13	I am on waiting lists for 2 operations. 1 is going to take another year. 2nd is going to take 2-4 yrs. on top of the 4 I have been waiting. Push gov!!
14	Physical health access: Excellent Mental health access: Fair at best
15	Sad when an out of town business does better than the locals because of council restrictions.
16	Too many disabled/low income population not enough industry to support them - too many things to support that do not increase prosperity
17	Access to Dr. Access to dentist for low income(dental program for low income) Affordable housing for low to middle income
18	waiting lists, second opinions, lack of specialists available here
19	-not enough doctors/hours too limited -mental health options are very medical model---mental health services should be offsite from the hospita
20	Need mental health services
21	Having to go out of town for medical procedures.
22	providing quality housing and accomodation and support services to allow seniors to age in place
23	exceptionally long waiting times for surgeries & that we have to go out of town in most cases to attain this health service
24	A cat scan that has no operator.
25	no ultrasound here, that's vital. need to stop shipping people out to Comox, or city, unless very unusual tx's. Basic should be here. waste of money.
26	We need more local psychiatrists and services for people with psychosis and addiction issues.
27	We need improved accessibility for the disabled, not the illusion thereof. Find ways to bring all types of people together more. Inclusion is vital.
28	Cost of exercise classes and healthy food options make them elite; we need early education for parents and kids; fund agric. students to support farms
29	difficult when coming to PR to get a doctor - makes health care difficult when only access is through emergency department
30	I don't know a lot about this but I think mental health get's short shrift here. Being faster and better about supporting families in crisis.
31	access to psychiatric care -youth and children in particular. access to LOCAL residential alcohol and drug treatment for women and youth
32	Difficult to find a doctor. Need to leave town for medical appointments.
33	More bike paths and lanes more jogging paths
34	no naturothaphth
35	Roads should be better equipped for cyclists...better education for cyclists...ie: helmets, riding on the road & not the sidewalks.
36	access to organic produce and meat clean drinking water PR water tastes horrible do something about this
37	Decent, affordable housing is very important but not very available.

38	youth need help
39	Let's see what is working well and then build on those aspects to increase well-being of people and the environment.
40	Education concerning mental illness, so the stigma associated with it is removed as it is for other illnesses.
41	We need more locally grown food
42	Limit the number of junk food outlets.
43	Terrible! Hospital a very bad first aid station, top professionals don't come here unless they have challenged children, petty politics ace medicine
44	are medical care is in need of lots of work
45	need more local specialists and general practitioners, farmer's market is excellent but limited farm produce, encourage farm gate sales, maintain ALR
46	Too much reliance on medications, not enough personal responsibility for obesity, junk food, alcohol.
47	I really don't think anyone should have to sit in ER for more than 4 hrs.
48	We have no information about how much radiation we are getting. This isn't funny.
49	community gardens/ backgarden project/ sharing of harvest opportunities
50	Need safe walking and bike lanes in the city to promote affordable exercise.
51	pollution of air and ground water bt Catalyst
52	We need long term, multi-level care for the aging population
53	More doctors and health care Professionals.
54	You should not have lumped the medical care and the mental health care together.....I'm not sure mental health is as easily accessed
55	Attracting and retaining specialists and enough doctors. The nurse staffing levels in the hospital need changing. One RN in ER, who came up with that
56	Get people out of their cars and self-propelled, out from behind desks and active outside.
57	More local food production is always good. Place emphasis on preventative measures, and good health practices, rather than treatment.
58	You always have to go elsewhere (i.e. vancouver) for anything other than basic services. Simple procedures cannot be done here.
59	have more pedestrian/cyclist only streets
60	- children's health - bring health care professionals into the school system - out of town care is a burden physically, mentally and financially
61	High rate of cancer victims here. My personal top issue is lack of cash. Poor people do not leave town.
62	It's a closed shop. If you have issues with a health professional, ranks are closed against you
63	Sometimes the care is better than others, somethimes worse.
64	Ability to draw more doctors and nurses to our community. Provide incentive to come and stay in our community
65	Get more people involved in cultivating more local land to produce food for local consumption, as described by Routes to Roots Edibles (rtredibles.ca)
66	more programs on healthy living is needed.
67	Be open about mental health and well being and educate and be inclusive and accepting
68	I don't have any at this point.
69	Need more freely available mental health services
70	Getting each resident a GP, easier and faster access to medical specialists, more support for local farms, cooperative farm
71	No opinion
72	The PR hospital by all account has failed. So new management needed there
73	Texada medical is poor with no coverage on weekends and holidays when most visitors arrive.
74	air pollution, access to medical specialists, affordability of ferry transport, sustainability, development of 2'endary industry to boost the tax base
75	The difficulty time-wise in accessing specialists, in particular, getting to a Cancer Clinic.
76	waiting time to get into the doctor office. access to medical speciality services & doctors
77	We need a better highway system so we can grow produce work the land. The ferries do not allow this opportunity. We need free travel along the coast.
78	Car emissions? Encourage more cycling ... !!!
79	Not enough medical specialists. Referrals take too long. The hospital is not good enough, too many mistakes!
80	sufficient medical staffing and access to hospitalization and services should I need it.
81	good live theatre food sutainability horses work on farms for low income, give them 3 acres or more Watch our Green Films screening now for the public
82	Having to go out of town for x rays.
83	Currently, it is very expensive to get to and from this community.

84 more specialty medical services are needed, utilize the cat scan machine that powell river community worked so hard to get here

85 Too many times we are sent out of town for tests - do them here

86 youth alcohol and drug abuse

87 the cost of medical options for poor people, like glasses, dentures, dental care, access to costly medications, not many places to walk

88 more fresh food -- better prices --help for the growers

89 If you're new it's tough to get a doctor - they're all full

90 Would like to have a locally based Naturopathic Physician Would like local medical doctors to know more about how nutrition affects the body

91 Lack of facilities for people with mental health issues, other than the hospital. Same as for detox facilities.

92 Same as the whole country, quicker access and diagnosis and treatment

93 Having fair priced locally grown food for all families. We need more individuals educated in special medical services living in Powell River.

94 access to specialists is difficult mental health issues and addictions are high

95 doctors who come from other countries can continue to call themselves doctors in canada without first passing stringent canadian standards.

96 Too few specialists - too much travel on ferries

97 ECU is a shame to PR. Convicts have more rights and better food than the residents who built this town.

98 Too many bureaucratic regulations trying to protect our health. Stifles opportunities for growers. Farmers market held at wharf would attract people.

99 More family Drs.

100 needs improved mental health PHYSICIANS

101 chicken, rabbit and other small farm animals should be allowed in city limits

102 Follow Fed. and Prov. guide-lines re care and safety of people - do not allow short-cuts for any reasons. Officials are responsible for actions/lack of

103 More farms, more diversity of products More organics More alternative lifestyle products, from building material to furnishings

104 Catalyst paper's toxic waste (fly ash) Clean water and water rights We are now relying on a single vulnerable reservoir

105 local food security. availability of non-traditional health practitioners

106 We need to recruit more QUALIFIED medical professionals to operate the hi-tech equipment we have at hospital or there is no use having it.

107 Mental health care needs to be improved, employ nurses to do continuous follow up care for mental health and seniors.

108 Mediocre doctors, mediocre technicians, mediocre, mediocre. No one even tries to do their best anymore but how do you cure general malaise?

109 safe affordable food and food security affordable recreation programs mental health counselling services addiction and detox services immediate

110 Shameful lack of mental health services, + affordable housing. High rents, Low wages, few jobs, Welfare too low

111 we need to produce more food locally encourage people in town to have gardens more exercise needed for people - get out of their cars!

112 Too much junk food available Too many fast food outlets More emphasis on active lifestyle for all that is not just centered on competitive sports

113 Pollution from the mill. Nutritional knowledge(almost non existent) Availability of local organic foods. Information about radiation levels.

114 Access to specialists and the travel involved to see them, even with a medical pass it is time off work, meals, accomadation, gas, time.

115 More medical facilities here along with more practitioners

116 sometimes difficult for newcomers to find an MD

117 close the gaps where people who don't meet the requirements are not helped by helping them

118 Get people out of their cars and trucks by creating user friendly, environmentally-sensitive options such as bike-lanes.

119 i came here and waited 3 months for an inadequate doctor-got told off for going to hosp. emerg. no transport to markets or long bus waits to get back

120 keep doing more of what we are already doing...attract more doctors

121 Not enough specialists in our town. Don't have confidence with our two surgeons. Not enough residences for the elderly.

122 Go Organic it's the only way

123 Relying more on locally produced organic meat and produce Encouraging youth on the benefits of farming etc. You are what you eat.

124 not enough mental health counsellors; or MD specialists; Hospital needs more funding; finish SeaWall in PR & fund one on TextIs. many will use it

125 Getting appointments with specialist doctors.





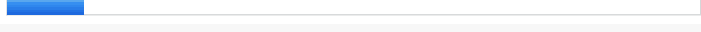
126 The prices of locally grown could be the result in clients going to the big box stores instead. Sad but the \$ has a value - we could grow something.

127 Lack of access for community to advanced timely medical care. Need for many more farmers and farms; need supprt for farm ownership and development.



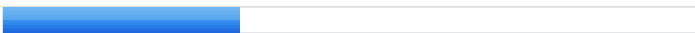


128	Concerned about the future fresh water supply due to the logging of the watershed.
129	Herbicides/pesticides need to be banned.
130	We need more specialist doctors here ! We shouldn't have to travel to Campbell River for an operation.
131	- overpriced goods at all 3 local supermarkets
132	contamination of shellfish beaches
133	The need to travel outside the community for health referalls with no compensation outside daily ferry times, not always convenient or affordable
134	Drug use, prescription drugs from your DR.
135	Access to local Dr. + Dentists - wait a week to get in + see one Walk In/Drop In Clinic
136	Not here long enough, children have extra needs so perhaps will need more than offered.
137	Protect and enforce the land use regulations and Agricultural Land Reserves. Restrict industrial activity in watersheds and rural residential areas.
138	Worry about diabetes in family - availability of fast foods - pop - changing and learning about healthy life style is important
139	Our children gaining weight
140	More health facilities here so old people don't have to leave town for care.
141	Need 24 hour access to CAT scanner and qualified CAT scan readers.
142	Mental; health care is poor. Top heavy admin in mental health areas. Poor access to critical care. Very poor coordination/education re: local food.
143	Hospital cleanliness. Getting the CT into fulltime operation.
144	Increase wellness & preventative care. Increase mental health professionals & education around mental health. Improve referrals to specialists.
145	Having to ride a ferry to Vancouver or the island to see specialists.
146	more help for people with mental illness and addiction as well as seniors. dental and eye care for low income people.
147	more small farms and accessible clinics should be encouraged.
148	Cuts in health care Lack of senior care housing Drug use; lack of rehab Needing ferries to go for specialty services (medical) Mill pollution
149	More positive recognition of this being an awesome place - less focus on the negatives. Upward spiral.

24.

How do you rate the chances that people who need decent and safe rental housing in Powell River can find a place at prices they can afford?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	8	3%
GOOD: 	48	17.98%
FAIR: 	129	48.31%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	52	19.48%
POOR: 	30	11.24%
Total Responded to this question:	267	96.39%
Total who skipped this question:	10	3.61%
Total:	277	100%

25. How do you rate the chances for people who want home ownership in Powell River to find a decent house at an affordable price?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	33	12.09%
GOOD: 	102	37.36%
FAIR: 	94	34.43%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	31	11.36%
POOR: 	13	4.76%
Total Responded to this question:	273	98.56%
Total who skipped this question:	4	1.44%
Total:	277	100%

26. [Optional] What should our top housing priorities be for the community?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	143	100%
Total Responded to this question:	143	51.62%
Total who skipped this question:	134	48.38%
Total:	277	100%

26. [Optional] What should our top housing priorities be for the community?

Response	Response Text
1	Low income housing Senior-appropriate housing
2	Housing that is rent geared to income - social housing.
3	Affordable and available housing for people with mental illness.
4	External marketing what a great place PR is to live and bring up family and housing cost are reasonable to excellent create affordable housing
5	programs to build low cost housing. programs to subsidize housing for families and those with disabilities
6	More senior housing.
7	Affordable and social housing
8	more low rentals
9	more subsidized housing available for all ages.
10	more elderly care homes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
11	Affordable, suitable, supported housing should be made available to people with serious mental illness. They are not in a position to help themselves
12	Ensure that the infrastructure can support new development.
13	Housing for seniors and low cost housing for families
14	Prices are getting steeper and so are taxes. Waterfront is out for most. Need to keep the brakes on this and ensure all can have decent housing
15	Low income housing.
16	Make the most of what's here already; secondary suites also a good idea
17	Buyers market right now but only cheap and expensive, nothing in the middle range.
18	Lots for assisted income meanwhile people who want to sell and/or move experiencing horrible market
19	low income house for families and seniors
20	more subsidized housing
21	low cost supported rental housing
22	We have more housing than we need. We need more people
23	A housing co-op for low income residents. Assistance for seniors and the disabled to repair and maintain their homes.
24	condo development, accessible accomodation
25	More assisted living for retirees and physical/mentally challenged. otherwise we are ontop of it.
26	Providing good subsidized housing on a community level.
27	Low-income housing. Accessible housing. Affordable seniors housing. Mix various types of housing together to avoid creation of slums. Quality housing.
28	mixed age low-income housing support for young farmers to buy/develop land support to access CMHC funds
29	more affordable housing, especially for low income families
30	Mixed, green, affordable housing for seniors (support for seniors is deplorable). Let move beyond ghettoizing the aged and the poor and children.
31	Low income housing for all age ranges. youth, families and seniors
32	Co-operative housing and more low income housing. Homesharing program with seniors.
33	develop low cost housing
34	We need subsidized rent more low income housing
35	affordable houses possibly co op housing,
36	Encourage the construction of decent, rental housing.
37	things look good to me
38	Housing for seniors and young families s/b priority. Realtors should really care about people's needs not just want to make \$\$.
39	Studies have shown we need more affordable housing in Powell River.
40	Affordable, assisted living for the elderly and for people with a mental illness.

41	More low income housing available
42	Affordable housing for those who need support
43	Lower property taxes for well kept homes, raise for slum landlords (downsize gov't)good sewage disposal (NOT at the mill!) encourage small & no growth
44	house prices are attracting people wanting to retire, need support systems for more older residents
45	Encourage young families to settle here.
46	More low cost housing rentals
47	low income housing
48	Our renters are horrible. Ask any landlord. Would Habitat for Humanity make a diff?
49	sustainable building materials/ cooperatives/
50	Affordable housing for seniors, disabled and mentally handicapped.
51	rent geared to income
52	More housing and services for seniors.
53	A homeless shelter and perhaps a safe house for men.
54	Reliable home inspectors
55	These efforts would be better spent attracting businesses with higher paying jobs. That benefits the whole community. Training people for better jobs
56	Improve building eerngy efficiency, especially in rental housing.
57	Open crown land for "homesteading" by young food producers or cooperative living arrangements to reduce land cost, promote alternative construction.
58	Homelessness is a large issue.
59	senior's housing-one level, easy access for handicaps,small square footage, in complex with communal gardens,meeting rooms, hobby rooms
60	Low income subsidized housing and co-ops
61	- stricter construction standards - accessible housing - lowincome housing
62	We need a shelter for the homeless. We also need low rental housing.
63	If this community is to thrive, there should be housing for all income levels, both struggling young families and luxury places for rich retirees
64	More low cost housing would be greatly appreciated by many.
65	Keep property taxes at an affordable rate
66	affordable housing
67	Programs that provide affordable housing. Help with rent to own programs, shame slum landlords.
68	Low income housing
69	Low Income housing subsidies
70	More jobs so young people can afford to live here and raise a family
71	Lower property taxes
72	safe and attractive public housing for seniors and young people, which would contain a central veggie garden and shared recreational opportunities
73	Affordable low income housing
74	Suitable seniors accommodation at all levels of care, as the demographic ages.
75	what kind of population do we want to attract? switch from a mill town to a tourist town...do we want to switch again?
76	Something for everyone ...
77	affordable housing.. for seniors too
78	More condos, townhouses.
79	Develop long term community vision based on resilience, sustainability etc
80	green housing homes for disadvantaged
81	Control property tax so that people with houses and limited or fixed incomes can afford to keep them.
82	affordable housing for seniors and young families
83	the working poor need housing more than welfare bums
84	Other than having affordable senior housing, the free market should dictate rents and house prices. Having lower property taxes would help.
85	build more housing for low income, seniors, fixed incomes get the realestated companies on board and not to encourage such high prices for homes and
86	moresafe housing -- it becomes drug environments
87	More senior facilities as our community is getting more and more retired people

88 Approve carriage houses Approve small-scale homes Approve smaller lot sizes Give tax decreases instead of increases for those who add rental units

89 Low income housing for people with mental health and addiction issues, and families with children on low incomes.

90 Everyone wants affordable housing but not everyone will be able to afford owning their own home in the future. You can't just give free home ownershi

91 Provide more housing for young families and now more than ever for our growing senior population.

92 affordable rental space for single people and families on income assistance

93 affordable, child and pet friendly housing; also allow homeowners to have quadplexes etc without having to have special exams/liscences.

94 affordability

95 Look into providing more houses to rent at lower costs

96 EMPLOYMENT WITH GOOD SKILLED HIGH PAYING JOBS. MANDATE THE EDO. TO GET THIS DONE

97 safe affordable housing

98 as our rate of poor/low income citizens is high, efforts need to be made for safe, inclusive and affordable housing. Just do it! Yes, it will cost us!

99 Subsidized housing for the many, many low income people

100 Low cost rental homes for young people

101 healthy buildings. affordable housing and property taxation

102 Encourage developers to build entry level housing between \$150,000 to \$200,000.

103 Stop building condos

104 Affordable housing for all. Respectable and maintained Low income housing provided.

105 Affordable housing for young families and for seniors. Decent bus routes to and from housing developments so people can get to work, school and shops

106 access to safe affordable subsidized housing services that allow seniors to stay in their home employment that provides a living wage

107 Mixed Affordable housing - #1- low-middle income families and singles, #2- seniors Mix of apts, duplexes, single homes, room+board, assisted living

108 more seniors' housing housing co-ops smaller homes - we do not need these huge homes being built

109 Tax incentives for building and purchasing smaller footprint, energy efficient homes Co-housing initiatives

110 Decent new pre fab housing that gives people an opportunity to live in affordable, clean, low maintenance housing.

111 building low income housing, perhaps using a co-op model

112 Jobs outside fast food Affordable possible co-op housing Possible assistance to get started

113 more low rental partially funded housing

114 there are a lot of people living in poor housing, this should be addressed. More housing for dissavantaged the poor

115 Low-cost housing.

116 no low income housing. i have a lower rent but with all the high utilities it turns out higher than an apart. i found long waiting lists with no job

117 create more affordable rental units and affordable market condos/homes in new developments

118 Compared to Vancouver and other areas our real estate prices are very affordable.

119 Can't buy a house in powell river on minamin wage

120 affordable rental housing and local ownership

121 We could keep prices down - but like everywhere else what's seen as a good price by people from outside the region often drives them up.

122 Build low income housing stock--lots of it. Develop lots of habitat for hunanity type projects.

123 Secondary suites in existing homes, within walking distance of the Town Center Mall

124 Co-op/low income housing.Green eco houses. More buildings like life-cycle housing and assisted living faculities for seniors.

125 cheap rentals

126 get elders out of condemned homes

127 improving access to water and sewer infrastructure services to developer

128 keep rentals for single families affordable

129 single dwellings for single individuals

130 Can't beat the house prices(we came from New West), rents seem reasonable too.

131 More affordable housing, restrict urban sprawl, more Extended Care facilities and retirement homes.

132 Provide low income housing for families, along with single units for young people starting out, elders, and bachelors






133 - more affordable houses for single parents - children need the atmosphere of living in a home, not an apartment

134 Low cost housing. Co-op housing. Assisted living housing.


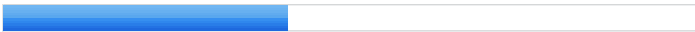
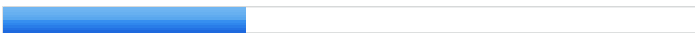


135	- Affordable low income/subsidized housing that persons on social assistance could actually pay with the \$360 a month that is allowed by the Ministry
136	Accessible housing for people with disabilities.
137	Identify areas that may be improved by "co-op" activities.
138	Build good affordable rental housing. Encourage rental instead of sales until stock of units improve.
139	Increase the # of units of government assisted housing while we are creating higher paying jobs so that we don't need assisted housing.
140	low income housing
141	build smaller homes and affordable apartments.
142	Senior care Affordable apartments Fair taxation
143	Not a priority. Job creation and industry and small business and positive thinking - keeping people here able to work and stay here.

27.

How do you rate the community's commitment to the value that everyone should get the skills and support they need to reach a good level of literacy and education?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	21	7.72%
GOOD: 	140	51.47%
FAIR: 	88	32.35%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	16	5.88%
POOR: 	7	2.57%
Total Responded to this question:	272	98.19%
Total who skipped this question:	5	1.81%
Total:	277	100%

28. How do you feel about the availability of community space and facilities to encourage reading, education and sharing of information?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	14	5.19%
GOOD: 	111	41.11%
FAIR: 	94	34.81%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	40	14.81%
POOR: 	11	4.07%
Total Responded to this question:		270
Total who skipped this question:		7
Total:		277
		100%

29. [Optional] What goals and actions are most important when it comes to literacy and learning in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	136	100%
Total Responded to this question:	136	49.1%
Total who skipped this question:	141	50.9%
Total:	277	100%

29. [Optional] What goals and actions are most important when it comes to literacy and learning in Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Build a new library and cultural centre Invest in major community literacy initiatives
2	Wages that support young people saving for future training or are adequate for families to send children to university/technical schools.
3	We have an excellent school system in Dist # 47 a new library would be nice
4	Must have a larger public library. Public school libraries have to be better funded with professional librarians and better books.
5	we need a new library
6	more awareness and community events
7	There should be more computers and training available to the public and seniors.
8	get parents to support their kids in school
9	A new library
10	the committment from City Council and the Regional District to support and fund a new library... it is time!!!
11	New library would be good. Overall, don't do too badly but need to work to keep what we have and not let it slip away....
12	The new library should be attached to the new Elem. for better utilization of everyone. Brooks is expanding the trades which is good the the young.
13	new library
14	Tutor support offered through alternative programs
15	we need a new library and newer books. with the advanced technology more will download books unless it is available.
16	We must embrace technology and create a system that is cutting edge to attract families to PR for a top notch education experience: music, arts, rec.
17	A higher priority for the library. Maybe more reading and writing competitions for students.
18	New library and new museum
19	No child left behind is excellent mandate. Also adult literacy is crucial.
20	Young people who leave school early have abysmal skills even in computer use. This could be rectified with training provided by a community agency
21	Build a new library on the "old arena" site. Give all people access to a waterfront facility where learning, literacy and community are encouraged.
22	Current efforts are super but better funding and access are needed. many (local) adults are seriously under educated/ unemployable; a widening gap
23	better teaching in schools to encourage students to read - right now not an issue for teachers to ensure children learn
24	New library. Supports for preschools and daycares. More trades education.
25	ensure funding of early literacy programs is maintained and to provide more oppotunities for upgrading for those who did not complete grade school
26	provide a decent library
27	We need a larger library. Smaller classrooms more help for children with difficulties
28	education should be learner oriented ie hands on , school classrooms smaller, programs that lead to employment,
29	The Peak needs to be more engaged. It is lazy about reporting and so we don't learn a lot about what's going on unless we go to everything.
30	a big learning centre with all kinds of services under one roof
31	More funding for education of all types. Learner-centred courses so that people learn through enjoying themselves while they learn.
32	We need a new Library.
33	We need a bigger, better library. It is LONG overdue
34	Get a better library space.
35	Get new library (cut from fire and police!) library is one of PR's best attributes, VIU is a pretend U., quit catering to lowest common denominators.
36	learning is great but after you get education you have student lowns to pay for . there is know good paying jobs to pay of student lowns off
37	VIU community classes & ElderCollege, and Recreation Center programs and facilities are good, library a great resource

38 Cut down on media, encourage scholarship, homework and school.

39 Free education

40 Read my forthcoming book. We have an outstanding opportunity to do what no community has yet accomplished. Could be an important industry for us.

41 intergenerational programs in schools

42 New library with decent facilities

43 need a new library building / new museum space

44 Adult education

45 Access to libraries, teachers, books and or computers, at a low cost if any.

46 A new library!!!

47 helping people, adults as well as children who fell through the "cracks" during their school years discover the joy of reading

48 I gave 27 'fair' b/c I never hear of that commitment...so is it there? The library needs its new place PLEASE!! Get a move on!

49 Publicising literacy help in ways that don't involve people having to read to get the message. New library

50 Increase offerings at local VIU campus.

51 A better library and more local programs of study at VIU.

52 make sure that any learning difficulties in children is addressed by the school district and not swept under the rug bu over worked teachers.

53 a smashing new library

54 - promotion of this area of skill building - volunteer opportunities for those who want to help - free programs offered by the public library

55 Most important to inspire children to read. Also important for children to learn French in school.

56 continued support of library

57 Establish a public meeting place/cultural centre, including a new library, by 2013.

58 I'm aware of some programs that exist, I don't know if all the needs are being met.

59 Build a new multi-purpose library

60 Continue to provide lots of options, especially for people who want to learn. Treat educators as professionals

61 encourage families to read to their kids, which will improve some parents and help THEIR kids so the public doesn't need to raise someone elses kids

62 The school on Texada should have a resident principal and the kids should be educated locally and not being ferried over to PR

63 a new library with museum space and public meeting rooms where literacy students and mentors can meet

64 Get the new library built as part of a thriving and growing community centre. Expand the available courses at University level.

65 Accessibility for everyone ... regardless of socio-economic status

66 Need more course variety at VIU. Night school programs for Texada, people can't afford the ferry for courses in PR

67 Support the local library.

68 green education and literacy for surveys on such I can teach anyone to read...30 yrs teaching

69 Continued emphasis on early intervention strategies and programs.

70 A new library!!!

71 some are just too lazy to take advantage of all that is offered

72 No, to the library at Willingdon.

73 We need to expand and create a new library with more modern accessibility.

74 we need a bigger library more places to sit down when walking or meeting others

75 more help to learn -- set up after school help for children as the parents don't always have the knowledge or time to help

76 NEW LIBRARY IS LOG OVERDUE!!!!!! get it together, people!

77 NEW LIBRARY

78 Motivate targeted populations to participate in relevant activities to improve their literacy and learning Get the word out by multiple means

79 Early childhood learning so little ones are ready when they enter school. Poverty has an effect on this. Libraries and bus transit are important.

80 making sure kids are actually making the grade, in other words, they need to be able to actually do the work before moving on to the next grade

81 Basic literacy is being addressed here.

82 need to have organizations that provide this service coordinate services better

83 Library that is wifi friendly, the library could be in one of the many empty buildings rather than spending millions on new facilities

84 learning to respect property and people in the community that is all part of learning to be morally responsible, which seems to be lacking in school

85 Make sure the students are not belittled or made to feel bad about themselves. If teachers cannot teach with compassion, fire them.

86 Build a new library

87 NEED LIBRARY

88 Need a decently equipped public library in a central easily accessed site....not the waterfront....could combine a genuine cultural centre with it

89 continue

90 Literacy for all, fostering a yearning to learn, then listen. No good to teach speaking/reading skills, then take citizens to court when they use them

91 More focus on library, extended library hours, more programs for the illiterate/barely literate with topics that will attract them

92 Better elementary schools... better library

93 Continued promotion of literacy is very important. We have some excellent organizations doing good work. Make sure they are funded properly.

94 Build a library. Include a computer lab for the public. Schools increase the assistance to individual students.

95 A larger library!!!

96 Getting out of the moldy old library will help everyone's health. Ipads for everyone so we can read anywhere. Adults should set good examples and READ

97 library and orca bus great services in the community more linkages with people of literacy need and volunteers and employers

98 We need a new library that has the funding to increase the quality of the collection.

99 More funding for schools, after-school homework help, counselling/peer counselling - children + adults, college residence, no fall-thru cracks

100 bigger better library!

101 Satellite learning centres in all areas

102 Literacy and learning should be our highest priority. The goal should be to give every kid the opportunity to obtain post secondary education.

103 it is time to build a new library, perhaps in conjunction with an existing facility

104 More options on learning, time structure and who can get assistance to get ahead.

105 more support for children with learning disabilities which is maintained despite budget cuts; more variety of teaching styles to suit different kids

106 again stop relying on the required or acceptable and help everyone who need help regardless of fitting into the system or not

107 Client-centered programs.

108 ESL and easy access to VIU are good. Also Career Link and Model CP are excellent places and need to be kept active

109 keep doing what we are doing...and get going on building the new library and cultural centre

110 Give everyone the opportunity to continue their education as long as they're willing to learn and work hard. No one should be denied an education.

111 an expanded library

112 BUILD A NEW LIBRARY!! NOW!!!

113 Use schools more , not just from 9:00-3:00. Idea of community schools.

114 It has to be of interest of those learning. If not it's lost. Children need to want to read - be creative, be relevant and make it exciting.

115 new library (computer oriented) required

116 Build a new library with lots of meeting and public space. Improve variety and accessibility of adult learning opportunities.

117 Need an improved library.

118 Build a community library/ cultural center

119 Build a stand alone library at the old arena site.

120 The new library, right downtown, with space and activities will promote people to drop in. Local jobs that require good literacy would be encouraging

121 learning centers reading groups to children -

122 healthy activities for families; reinforcing and acknowledging reading efforts

123 A more inclusive and younger teaching staff with more emphasis on special needs including invisible barriers such as unacknowledged learning deficits

124 Dollars

125 Community input + feedback to the service delivery agent

126 Accessability, cost. Does the community resource centre offer these programs? Seems like built in clients.

127 We need a new library with more space and updated technology.

128 Offer bus service @ 8:30am from Sliammon, return @ 3:00pm, to support those pursuing higher education/training





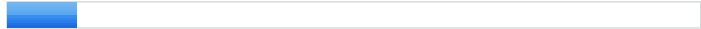
129 being more involved with the children's homework (math-fractions)

130 New library! Community centre.






131	Good
132	Raise consciousness about the need to have a higher level of literacy to compete in today's world. Enlarge and upgrade library.
133	Build a functional library
134	more government funding should be spent on alternative types of education.
135	Improve the library Keeping kids, especially first nations, in school Identifying homes with problems
136	We are not a socialist country. There is only so much tax base and not enough income from jobs. It's a bit of a catch 22 but we need more industry.

30.

How do you rate the community's progress in creating or encouraging alternate ways to get around Powell River to reduce car and truck use?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	9	3.27%
GOOD: 	70	25.45%
FAIR: 	107	38.91%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	62	22.55%
POOR: 	27	9.82%
Total Responded to this question:	275	99.28%
Total who skipped this question:	2	0.72%
Total:	277	100%

31. Looking to the future, what is your view that ferry service will be able to provide for the needs of Powell River at a price all residents can afford?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	2	0.73%
GOOD: 	2	0.73%
FAIR: 	37	13.45%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	92	33.45%
POOR: 	142	51.64%
Total Responded to this question:	275	99.28%
Total who skipped this question:	2	0.72%
Total:	277	100%

32. [Optional] What are the most important things we should do about transportation to places people need to go in and beyond Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	192	100%
Total Responded to this question:	192	69.31%
Total who skipped this question:	85	30.69%
Total:	277	100%

32. [Optional] What are the most important things we should do about transportation to places people need to go in and beyond Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Repeal the Coastal Ferry Act Make the ferry same as the highway and charge or don't charge but charge the same for each Improve intercity bus service
2	Ferries are part of our highway system and as such Government should treat them that way.....
3	In PP, make bus use realistic. Vote NDP to restore ferries to public asset and reduce fares.
4	smaller buses.why do you need forty seats when so few people use the losser cruiser
5	Make the government understand that reasonable ferry rates are vital to our well-being.
6	continue to push the BC Gov to look at the ferry coastal act and make much needed changes that reconize the ferrys as our high way. Affordability Key
7	Need a safe, well lit walking/biking path between Westview and Townsite and going up into Wildwood. Subsidized bus passes for low income people.
8	more public transit, more routes, more buses, set up car pools, ride-shares for people north and south of town
9	get the cost of the ferries back down to a reasonable rate
10	have the ferry docked in PR and residents should only have to pay one way. More bike lanes and awareness for safety with drivers and bikes.
11	Offer extended handibus service
12	transportation system is failing to make money- seriously need to revamp spending money on a just a few peopl no bike paths, no paved walking on Marin
13	Ensure we are heard about the need to keep ferry rates reasonable.
14	Work with other communities that would benefit from improved access to Powell River
15	Reduce ferry fares Upgrade the road to Lund Extend Manson Ave, through to highway 101
16	ferry service for local residents needs to be really affordable..we need resident's cards again (from 1970's) which will give locals a cheap ride
17	This is our highway we should NOT have to pay for ferry
18	Transit improving = good thing. InceasE frequency & efficiency of routes. Ferry fares becoming prohibitive. KKEP ADVOCATING - B/C IS OUR HIGHWAY
19	LOWER FERRY COSTS!!
20	Is reducing car use necessarily the best goal? I feel it's way over-rated.
21	REsident cards should be used for athletics and events that take place out of Powell River
22	we need to have a ferry corporation that understands the uniqueness of coastal communities, and have fair rates.
23	increase ferry schedule- especially in summer & holidays - reduce ferry fares
24	Work with gov to control ferry costs Ferry highway pass for locals
25	Give us a newer faster ferry, a special rate for residents, cheaper air fares
26	-we need more bicycle lanes/routes -there should be a designated walkway/bike lane from townsite to Westview along Marine Ave.
27	subsidise the ferry, as in the past - our highway - you know the drill/reasons
28	better public transportation, control ferry costs
29	Explore alternative modes: could PR be an "Electric Vehicle Pilot Program"? A real bike path/walking path to Saltery Bay.
30	Give some consideration to pedestrians when designing or repairing roads and public areas.
31	transit system is great. taxi service is excellent. Ferry service is a complete disaster and it is killing this community. air service is excellent
32	significantly reduce fares as this is our highway
33	Hwy 1 between Townsite and Westview should have a paved bicycle and pedestrian lane. Willingdon trail is not always safe due to bears and cougars.
34	Buses to outlaying areas;meet ferry! Smaller buses would help reduce costs, more frequent service. Smaller ferry's and more frequent for same reason.
35	Provide residents with subsidies
36	Reduce ferry fares. Give reduced rates to Powell River residents. Create bike lanes. Widen roads. Improve sidewalks. Smaller buses - increased hours.

- 37 subsidize bus travel(bus cost more than car) rope tow for bikes up hills ride exchange board subsidize ferry guarantee spots on Langdale ferry
- 38 affordable transit (including ferries)
- 39 Increase bus service (I know this is hard!) Walking corridors Road to Vancouver. Resident cards for the ferry (low's free)
- 40 more accessible bus service, bike lanes and a dedicated residents fare on BC ferries
- 41 People living outside of town have limited transportaion choices. No bike lanes- unsafe to ride beside highway.
- 42 Subsidize ferry for all residents more bus routes with more small busses. Rural bus schedual is good for very few certainly not for people who work
- 43 Encourage cycling & walking. Offer cheaper prices for alternate transportation.
- 44 keep ferry prices affordable, provide bus service to Vancouver, encourage local shopping and retail service here
- 45 Affordable ferries and air transport. Development in the City and the Region which recognizes the importance of transportation.
- 46 shake up the whole damn system. REevaluate whether the ferries are a highway or a money making sector.
- 47 Ferries should be public not private - costs s/b lowered. More public transportation of all kinds (small buses and car-sharing).
- 48 Need to lobby government to keep prices affordable. Coastal Ferries Act has to go.
- 49 Make sure our concerns are heard and responded to.
- 50 We need the Governemnt to REDUCE ferry fares for our residents. This is our HIGHWAY and we should not have to go broke just to go to the island
- 51 Continue to lobby government to accept that our community should not be in a user pay situation. We need provincial support.
- 52 Don't move to PR if leaving regularly matters to you, quit helping everyone shop out of town, take care of each other, don't count on gov't
- 53 Ferry fares need to be held in check, pensions and pay rates are not going up at the same rate as ferry fares.
- 54 ferry prices are getting too high for frequent travel, bus service not used to its potential,
- 55 Mass transit should be free, more buses, reduce ferry fares, good luck!
- 56 I think the ferry system is a part of BC highways and should be free like all inland ferries
- 57 lower ferry costs
- 58 Realise that post-modern civ is based on the biz of movng people and stuff all over the planet and that this is the most costly idea in history.
- 59 bike lanes/bike lanes/bike lanes
- 60 Create bike and walking lanes from Lund to Saltery Bay along hwy.101 Almost all communities have this - why don't we? Good for locals and tourists.
- 61 make ferries part of the highway system and make fares affordable
- 62 Fire David Hawn
- 63 Integrate transportation for the Sunshine Coast, Powell River, Texada. Ferries, bus and shuttle services.
- 64 Better, and more reliable, service at a reasonable cost.
- 65 Allow for kayak docking and launching at the new terminal.
- 66 Wider divided sidewalk for walkers/bikers on Joyce. Put BC Ferries back in public hands with a return to reasonable fares.
- 67 provide bikes paths and lanes so all the cyclists are SAFE, all over the region especially regional areas! smaller more frequent buses
- 68 Can't the buses be generally smaller? I do not see anyone encouraging nor creating alternates to cars.
- 69 BC Ferries needs to be the same as inland ferries which are part of the highway system and free the rising cost of BC ferries will kill PR in time
- 70 More bus routes, more frequent, decent service to rural areas. Real bike lanes, not just lip service Good luck on ferry costs, given rising fuel price
- 71 Lots of small, affordable buses. Use "people mover" vans, not large, under-utilized buses. Make all buses bike-friendly. Add commuter routes.
- 72 lobby the provincial govt to chnge their policies on privatizing the ferry system
- 73 Tolls on all major highways in BC to support free ferries Parking ares next to pedestrian zones
- 74 - road to the interior - improved rural bus system
- 75 A bus to Vancouver island on a regular basis. Lower ferry prices.
- 76 Reduce ferry fares. They are a barrier to bringing new people into the community
- 77 But my fingers are crossed.
- 78 Ensure communications with BC Ferries are maintained. Lets look at ways to improve services on the ferries. We need to have more curteous staff
- 79 stop the empty buses...either get smaller buses or open the service to private businesses...don't like to subsidize
- 80 Support/stimulate public and cooperative transportation modes. Advocate recognition of ferries as part of provincial highway system.
- 81 we need to make the ferries our highway and not have to pay to go off the mainland.
- 82 buy locally - encourage people to create a stronger community for all kinds of reasons. Health care subsidy is great.

- 83 Ferries are our highways and need to be recognized as such. reduce cost or we will lose too much due to cost.
- 84 Pressure govt. to keep ferry cost down. Develop more bike trails to encourage people to ride instead of drive. Have smaller buses running more often.
- 85 Consider ferry and bus alternatives
- 86 SUBsidized at higher level by government
- 87 Provide reasonably priced ferry service as part of our highway system
- 88 Ferries are a HIGHWAY SYSTEM. Government should run it as a highway dept and make it PUBLIC!! Shutdown the ferry corp and fire the management
- 89 build bridges
- 90 Ferry rates-down. PR to subsidize the Malaspina Coach Lines -need to get to Texada from Van in one day. KD Air fares are too high for local residents
- 91 provincial gov't needs to be made aware & recognize small communities on islands cannot sustain their economies with rapidly increasing fares.
- 92 subsidized ferry fares for residents of communities which rely on them---they are our highway and we already pay highway taxes to the province
- 93 More services needed to the Island for appointments, shopping etc
- 94 the ferry is our highway, paying the rates we do is highway robbery, locals need a break on ferries
- 95 home berthing
- 96 Our community won't grow in a healthy and sustainable way without adequate & affordable access to medical care for everyone.
- 97 travel subsidies for the poor
- 98 Residents of Powell River or sunshine coast travel free.
- 99 Affordability and environmentally sound alternatives
- 100 ferry fares need to be affordable and the schedules need to improve. BC govt. needs to recognize ferry as our highway
- 101 CHEAP FERRY FARES! Subsidize if necessary. Texada residents can't afford the ferry to do anything in PR, arts, culture, sports, education included.
- 102 ferry costs must be cost efficient for all ; reduce unnecessary bus runs. The bus often runs with 2-10 people and sometime empty-can we economize ?
- 103 Relocalization of all activity we can to reduce need for long distance transport. Bicycle. Walk. Car-pool. Hitchhike. Inspire personal interest.
- 104 wont be an issue when there's no oil except in the water For now, public transportation free, huge taxes on cars and trucks, Join the outrigger Canoe
- 105 Reduce ferry fares. Bring back the ferry care for lower ferry fares for people living in Powell River. The ferry is apart of our highway.
- 106 Ferry prices are a major concern for residents and those considering living in powell river
- 107 Commuter cards for Powell River residents, better ferry service, or build a toll bridge or tunnel, cheaper air flights
- 108 subsidize
- 109 ROAD & Bridges to interior and bridges to Island. Bridges would be toll bridges until they are paid for then toll eliminated
- 110 locally-improve the bus service and increase ridership with incentives
- 111 lower the ferry rates
- 112 Some roads now that are being bombarded with heavy trucks and can't handle it. The ferry service is too expensive and major changes are needed
- 113 get a bridge or road to mainland. ferries are holding us hostage especially is on a low income
- 114 make the ferries affordable -- local cards for residents
- 115 Treat the Ferries as part of the highway system and subsidize costs accordingly to keep fares affordable! We don't want ot wind up like Ocean Falls!
- 116 Make main roads bike friendly. Example: Padgett Road is a good route to get in to town from the south, but is VERY DANGEROUS for someone on a bike
- 117 People are resourceful: when motivated to get somewhere, they'll usually find a way. Set up carpool website & tips for screening riders/drivers
- 118 Reasonable ferry fares. There is assistance for medical appointments. we have ferry elevators that do not work and affect people with mobility issues.
- 119 Widen roads for bikes, meet with governmnet re high ferry costs or look at road options
- 120 No cost for Ferries and road access to and from Powell River.
- 121 work with government to get ferry fares lowered create bike paths bus scheduling more often especially during peak hours
- 122 keep late night busing even if stats don't pay for it. Run a bus to comox/courtenay one day a week mutually (with Comax/Courtenay).
- 123 Build a bridge to Sea-to-Sky highway
- 124 The ferries are our highways and everyone should be able to get on a ferry and to their destination without exorbitant fees and ridiculous schedules.
- 125 Put ferries back in to gov't ownership. Dept of Hghways is doing a great job with inland ferries.

126 Provincial government needs to contribute more money to the Ferry Corporation so fares can be lowered

127 CREATE JOBS SO THAT WE CAN PAY OUR WAY...NO FREE RIDE

128 Affordable ferry service...or a road to Vancouver....more ferries to the island....ferries should be a service not a profitable enterprise

129 joyce avenue needs crosswalks at places between traffic lights. reduce ferry & bus fares for residents & low income

130 1) Bicycle lanes!! 2) Recognize that ferries ARE our highway. Remember the cost of forging road to Whistler? Who paid?

131 More safe bike lanes Ferry travel already too expensive for most people. De-privatize it and make it part of highway system.

132 more walking/bicycle paths and sidewalks, better bus service, public transportation to major centres

133 designated alternate transportation routes. a realistic free inner-city transportation service with appropriate sized vehicles (demand)

134 Put in a road to lower Sunshine Coast to eliminate one ferry from our trip. We are often held hostage in PR (poor weather, break downs, etc.)

135 bridge

136 If ferries bother you get the hell out

137 Ensure public transportation (bus) service is available at hours that work for seniors, employed persons and students.

138 A sailing ship to Vancouver, with solar back-up!

139 More private businesses to provide to and from services. More buses north and south of town. Ferries berthed in Westview overnight.

140 provide better transit services with smaller buses The ferry is our highway and we send \$ to BC and Fed and what is our return. set up car pool

141 Once the City has failed us miserably

142 Mored bus service, bicycle trails/lanes/routes, Fund person to create Ride-share program - in + beyond PR

143 designated bike routes and paths both in town and north and south along highway and through valley subsidize the ferry as part of the highway system

144 More emphasis on safe walking and cycling routes Continued pressure on BC Ferries

145 The ferry is part of the highway !!!!!. We should not have to pay!!!! There is no road. The Kootney lake ferry is free!!!!

146 The ferry to earls cove should dock in Powell river. Lower ferry fares for residents.

147 keep ferry fares to a minimum, this would help to improve the quality of life for residents

148 Lobby politicians to return BC Ferries to Public Service, and to reduce fares. Try to have the ferry schedules work better with Comox Airport.

149 Ferry cost reduced Bridge on the Gigson end then only 1 ferry and and a lot more flexible with time would open up Powell River A road out

150 we need to keep ferry prices affordable to encourage tourism and allow residents out of area access

151 BC Ferries has to be made public once again. The ferries are part of our HWY system and should not be for profit

152 Locally, increased bike and walking options, to Vancouver Island, a ferry system subsidized for affordability as is the trans-canada highway.

153 Free ferries for residents including businesses located in the community. Ferries are our highway! Safe bicycle paths along Highway 101.

154 Bus service is fair but #1 should be every half hour to get to appointments. I like isolation so no road but resident ferry reduction would help

155 lobby for the 1 cent gas tax to build the regional bus service and get the ferry corp to listen to us, bring back the resident card for reduced fares

156 Lower the ferry fares so it's affordable for everyone to leave town.

157 Ferry system is broken and only a road to the lower mainland will fix it

158 instead of hitch hiking have a local licensing system. drivers and riders are licensed. riders purchase tickets. Drivers exchange tickets for cash

159 re-nationalize public transportation

160 Better and affordable ferry services.

161 Lobby Prov.Gov. to return ferries to NON_PROFIT gov. control; lower ferry fares; stop fare increases; need Comox-PR ferry to stop on route at Texada

162 Change the BC Ferries Act. Make ferry service affordable, reliable, safe: under the direction of the Ministry of Transportation.

163 Accessibility. Or an alternate. BC Ferries monopoly - can we provide an alternative?

164 realistic ferry costs/part of highway not a profit centre

165 Establish that ferries are our highways and must be free. Establish cooperative and ridesharing ways of getting around. Increase public transport.

166 Build a road to Squamish.

167 Public transit, tax private automobile use in order for to pay for public transit

168 Have electric vehicles in our bus fleet, more linking of bus routes.

169 Buses that can be counted on, with only a short wait, until midnight. Promotional activities to get people to try the bus.

170 Reduce ferry costs!





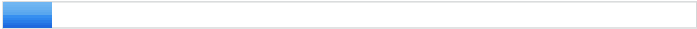
171 - reallocate some of David Hahn's salary to help reduce ferry costs
172 lower prices
173 actually, the transit system is the best i have ever seen in a small town
174 affordable ferries
175 Create services willing to address this need
176 ferry cost should decreased for locals
177 Access to transportation according to community needs and not according to budget.
178 Continue to lobby at all levels of gov't.
179 The ferry service should receive government support and be considered as part of the highway, therefore almost free. Expand and lower cost of flights
180 Ferry Service negotiation to pay one way coming into Powell River, same as Sechelt People - cost is limiting people
181 Demand ferry costs figured as part of our marine highway not as profit for a private corp.
182 Make the ferries a part of the highway as they are in the Interior of BC. People who reside in PR should not be charged for using the ferries.
183 Get ferry fares reduced and increase public transit, especially north and south of town.
184 Road surfaces need to be safe for driving, walking & cycling. Ferry service must be maintained, perhaps subsidized.
185 Perhaps a private donation-funded community-run driving service to transport medical patients.
186 reduce the cost of ferries for residents of powell river
187 Build a overland road to Squamish. Increase public transportation options for people to get to and from their jobs.
188 Build a highway to the interior.
189 small electric cars and scooters. our ferries are our highways, and as residents we should not have to pay a fortune to use them. low bus fares.
190 much better ferry service
191 Affordable ferries Connecting schedules Keep our bus system
192 Be self responsible. Life costs. Get a job and live within ones means.

33.

How well is Powell River dealing with the effects drugs, vandalism and other anti-social behaviour on our community?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	4	1.48%
GOOD:	83	30.74%
FAIR:	125	46.3%
BELOW AVERAGE:	38	14.07%
POOR:	20	7.41%
Total Responded to this question:	270	97.47%
Total who skipped this question:	7	2.53%
Total:	277	100%

34. What is your view of how ready Powell River is to handle a major emergency or catastrophe such as an earthquake, major toxic spill or epidemic?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	3	1.15%
GOOD: 	58	22.14%
FAIR: 	133	50.76%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	50	19.08%
POOR: 	18	6.87%
Total Responded to this question:	262	94.58%
Total who skipped this question:	15	5.42%
Total:	277	100%

35. [Optional] What are the top things that should be done in Powell River in the area of safety and security?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	128	100%
Total Responded to this question:	128	46.21%
Total who skipped this question:	149	53.79%
Total:	277	100%

35. [Optional] What are the top things that should be done in Powell River in the area of safety and security?

Response	Response Text
1	Amalgamate City and Regional District Amalgamate police, fire and ambulance service into one entity
2	New earth quake proof fire hall tougher courts and sentencing
3	Develop and Emergency Response plan and practice as a community. Devote some money to warehousing some non-perishable supplies.
4	training, education
5	I do not know what PR has in place for this.
6	harder punishment for grow-ops and drug dealers and school drugs. Cops not in McDnlds or writing parkng tickets for 1h violatns, but busting drugdrls
7	Educate youth on drugs and encourage programs which offer alternatives to drugs and video games etc.
8	BERTH FERRY IN WESTVIEW. MOVE GAS/PROPANE TANKS out of RESIDENTIAL AREA. Emergency preparedness does good job but needs + pubic engagement/awareness
9	Harsher penelties for drug dealers. One has lived 3 houses away from me. Cops do "once a month" drive by's. He still sells on a regular basis.
10	re #33: we never know that these things are occurring as local media if PATHETIC at doing their job with NEWS. Feels like there is little problem
11	Stop drug usage
12	No response
13	shut down the known drug houses.
14	-we need more high profile community projects which target these problems and ask concerned citizens to be involved. -take social issues seriously!
15	Again, it's about jobs, economic stability.
16	Education. Maybe a stronger police presence.
17	engage the community in getting involved through neighbourhood watch and crime stoppers- also more attention to drug and alcohol rehab
18	Not really familiar with this area. If we posted people on a wall of shame, then crime would be even less, so would drug crime. Put a face to crime!
19	Provide training and access to jobs outside Powell River, as well as addiction services. Poverty is responsible for many of our problems.
20	Become more self-sufficient. Grow food. Learn survival skills/first aid. Have an emergency plan & practice it. Zero tolerance for bullying.
21	close the education gap, prevention vs punitive response, focus on children's rights/ UN resolution
22	evacuation plan? what would we do in case of forest fire that would devastate the city?
23	Earthquake preparedness. Food security. We need to be able to feed ourselves.
24	dont know
25	Emergency preparedness workshops. Importance placed on food security.
26	Havent a clue
27	More information given to the community should there be an earthquake.
28	INFORM THE public regarding question 34, I feel safe in this town,
29	City needs a better emergency coordinator and a better plan - major dramatic practices are not helping the people learn any skills.
30	Have an emergency plan in place & make sure all people know what to do in an emergency. Awareness and education will go a long way!
31	We continue to have mock disaster to ensure preparedness in a disasater. Need new Fire Hall.
32	We need Regional District plan as well as the Municipal one
33	We should create an umbrella emergency committee to coordinate and oversee in the case of an emergency. this committee should have authority.
34	PR is about as safe & secure as anywhere on the planet, stay isolated, wherever there are people (we encourage the poor & weak here) there are issues
35	thefts go unresolved due to limited investigation, graffiti isn't removed promptly encouraging more,
36	Get the drug dealers booted out! Discourage drinking.
37	More drills

38 Engage youth in positive community activity. When the crunch comes, we need their strength and spirit. Oh, yeah...oppose high-rises and proud projects

39 we are not cohesive as a community and do not know where are community assets and skill sets are

40 Enforce speed limits on hwy. 101. Develop power line as truck route. Take industrial traffic out of residential areas, separate truck route to mill.

41 Are there any emergency shelters? I've not seen any signage or information about meeting places, disaster information centres.

42 Ensure communication corridors are maintained.

43 Identify those at risk (poverty/poor education/lack of work) and work on the root causes.

44 Emergency Prep team needs more public visibility - hard to know what preps have actually been made. Push more individual preparation.

45 Give kids places to go. Encourage stockpiling food and other staples in homes. Have building and fuel supplies stockpiled for shelter & repairs.

46 Stronger encouragement and education to tell people about emergency preparedness

47 - more practice, do more mock events -involve neighbour hoods & schools

48 Every citizen should have a 72 hour pack sack ready to go. Education regarding safety. Clear cut areas are a fire hazard.

49 continue with practice drills and involve the public to join in so that they too become familiar with safety measures.

50 I think pr is working toward the goal and is doing a fair job

51 Nothing - it is amazingly safe and secure compared to everywhere.

52 Poverty is the root of anti-social behaviour.

53 More coordination of emergency services, more frequent practices

54 Seamless support for children and youth; more emergency training -- involve more community members

55 Wait. Educate Practise

56 we as individuals are told to look after ourselves, but nothing is ever relayed about a comprehensive community plan. Do we have an alert system etc?

57 Police officers that are trained

58 Get to know your neighbours so that you can help each other if necessary. The guy with the chainsaw just might be your saviour.

59 information of what services can be accessed

60 Create jobs,increase better transportation in and out of poweel river.

61 More public involvement, ie. COPS, looking out for one another

62 Expand emerg. mgmt program. more ESS volunteers & training, practice evacuations. Evaluate roads, bridges, public bldgs for seismic integrity& upgrade

63 Unsure of what is in place so not qualified to comment

64 Development of local resilience, i.e. food production, etc. We need a full time emerg coordinator like the lower Sunshine Coast.

65 Battle the drug culture, and the crime element

66 foot patrols by police local call centre rather than island control for police

67 Jail sentences for criminals and make vandals pay \$\$\$ for any property they damage.

68 Public needs to know what the procedures are in the event of any of these emergencies. I, for one am not aware of any at this point.

69 more of everyone keeping their eyes open

70 Keep lower mainland dope dalers from recruiting in our community (somehow!) Revise the Young Offenders Act!

71 Meaningful consequences for criminal activity Victim-impact & restorative-justice practices Monitor "known to police" residents more vigilantly

72 Educate the Powell River population. (all people) about major catastrophes. What to do-where to go-how to prepare yourself and family ahead of time.

73 have police work on drugs and dealing and vandalism

74 stop bringing in highly acidic tailings to the site in wildwood-it has to be leeching into the environment-do more unbiased testing of our ground wate

75 Education, education, education

76 No information readily available. Can emergency services -police fire hospital, ambulance schools, council switch to a common emergency radio channel?

77 More planning and preparedness regarding earthquakes

78 MORE JOBS AND EDUCATION

79 More police presence....close down liquor stores earlier...more police on the streets to control noisy drunks

80 stop the ridiculous "war on drugs" and focus on a safe, friendly community. We do not need so many police. We need more community ambassadors






81 Vandals convicted to restore and work set amounts to make amends. Clean up your mess! Children to take part in cleaning their classrooms - start early

82	Little anti-social behaviour in town Each neighbourhood needs a specific emergency plan and leaders for likely scenarios, not generic plan
83	PR is a safe place to live. The biggest danger is getting hit by a car. The dump in wildwood will be a world class disaster in the event of an earthq
84	identify risks like large quantities of chemicals and explosive media (oil & gas)
85	agressive policing at the helmet law, skateboarding levels photo radar back full time traffic officer give peace officer status to bylaw enforcement
86	Fire the RCMP and have elected law officials answering to us
87	Do we have a plan if there is an earthquake in townsite, cranberry, etc, and has it been mailed to all residents.
88	I feel safe living here for 50+ years.
89	Boys and Girls Club to teach kids responsibility to community. Good mentoring to pass along good habits. Like Gordon Campbell'S DUI is not helpful
90	immediate access to addiction and detox services weekly community court and restorative justice process for youth and mental health issues
91	The plans are on paper, but as a community member, I have never heard anything about an emergency plan. This area is a joke
92	RCMP should actively pursue known places/people who use/sell to minors/adults; Anti-racism at school, work; Hire minorities, youth, poor. Emerg drills
93	make more people aware of how to survive a disaster
94	A well-thought out well-publicized community emergency plan for each area of town needs to be developed and communicated to the public
95	Drugs and supervision should be given to addicts.
96	more local growers and producers, for food security
97	We need a better Crown Prosecutor
98	education, eliminate poverty, job security
99	None that I know of.
100	an all service emerg. group and lots of practice for both groups and residents of PR
101	better information on the emergency preparedness plan
102	Educate people in case of emergencies.
103	have a court system that works
104	I'm not sure what is in place now. We need some specific information meetings in community spaces
105	need independent reviews of RCMP policies/mandates, behaviours/conduct/complaints. People no longer trust those who are meant to protect us.
106	Prepare by having mock runs.
107	Education. Desperate people do desperate things. Meet the needs. Educate - show the alternatives not condemn the problem.
108	become self sufficient for up to a month in case of major incident (power, food, fuel, utilize gov services/employees more efficiently for emergencies
109	Improve civil preparedness and education. Develop community organizations and places for youth to work and play. Make us all responsible for ASB.
110	Community involvement in security, ie Block Watch
111	Education: emphasis on how climate change will affect how we live and work. This is the real deal breaker, and is coming quicker than anticipated
112	Education.
113	Public information pamphlets. Encourage local markets to provide local food. Easy access to local food product venues
114	Good police patrols.
115	awareness workshops
116	clean up the drug dealers
117	More drug awareness training at a younger age and a major provincial and federal initiative towards decriminalization of drugs & services for rehab
118	Designate a "safety area" for north + south of town/regional districts
119	Stage mock events, engage public.
120	Remove propane tanks from harbour. Develop food security by encouraging agriculture and farming. Protect fish habitat in wetlands, streams and lakes.
121	Keep working at educating the public
122	more awareness, preparation
123	We are, individually, used to being self-reliant. Need to look towards more community-based support.
124	Treat drug problems as non-criminal in order to reduce harm Do more public education and drills on how to handle a major disaster (like in Japan).
125	Keep the bears and cougars out of the community.

126	increased education of the people and more trained emergency personel
127	While there is an emergency response system in place, many of the public aren't aware of what to do. Newspaper & local radio could help educate.
128	It is being done. NOT a priority needing further attention. It's amazing here.

36.

What is your own view of the overall quality of life in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	67	24.45%
GOOD: 	156	56.93%
FAIR: 	47	17.15%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	4	1.46%
POOR: 	0	0%
Total Responded to this question:	274	98.92%
Total who skipped this question:	3	1.08%
Total:	277	100%

37. What has contributed most to the quality of life in Powell River?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	220	100%
Total Responded to this question:	220	79.42%
Total who skipped this question:	57	20.58%
Total:	277	100%

37. What has contributed most to the quality of life in Powell River?

Response	Response Text
1	Geography
2	Ocean, clean fresh air, many outdoor activities...
3	My husband and I both have jobs that pay fairly well. We can afford local food, go to arts events, drive two cars. Lose a job, we're hooped.
4	the people
5	The climate and surroundings.
6	Natural Beauty Safety affordable home ownership great recreational everything great services and infrastructure isolation = creativity great peop
7	Low crime. easily accessible natural beauty. Reasonable rental prices. Lots of free and low cost activities. Friendly people. No 'class' stratificatio
8	The mill.
9	Strong network of social support agencies and a well managed school system along with a strong arts and culture environment.
10	Friendly community people, lots to do, clean air, being by the ocean, lots of nature, affordable arts and entertainment, no commuting for me!
11	family and friends
12	friendliness of all the people
13	The sense of community
14	outdoor recreation, small town feeling
15	Friendly residents.
16	hiking trails. low car emissions low traffic
17	The Creator. Great climate, beautiful surroundings, natural resources.
18	Generally PR residents are carinf
19	Our arts and culture organizations. The City's cooperation and support of Catalyst paper Canada's economic action plan PR food security program
20	the people, isolated location, weather
21	our beautiful scenery
22	community spirit (compassion, generosity, caring, self-initiating, strong advocacy, creativity etc) people - friends - natural beauty - peace -
23	The town is still very friendly. Always has been. +the ocean, lakes, sports etc.
24	Safety, friendliness, neighbourliness, good healthcare
25	Isolation and away from the big city
26	environment and location
27	Arts and culture/service organizations
28	Fresh air in most areas of town Good water Local food
29	the slow pace, politeness, courtesy
30	-the beautiful nature all around us -the sense of community spirit the amazing arts, theatre and music scene
31	its size - not too big, not too small
32	size of the community is good. Good cross-section of people. PR seems to be accepting of differences/diversity compared to other places
33	Natural environment, affordable housing, easy access to sports, recreation opportunities for children, good schools, safety, health services, arts
34	A feeling of community. the level of volunteerism
35	The environment. Interesting people.
36	first class golf course, friendly people, arts and culture opportunities, festivals
37	the scenery, easy access to lakes etc
38	Fine Art Association; Academy of Music; friendly people; efforts by Mayor, council and city staff to move P R forward despite the "no changes" side.

39 Safety; beauty; housing costs; friendly people; less stress; things to do; a feeling of community. isolation from world. not too many big box stores.

40 My own quality of life is excellent. But people with few skills and no access to jobs are truly suffering.

41 Friendly people. Slow pace. Not congested. Sane house prices. It's beauty (ie ocean, lakes, forests). Arts and cultural activities. Festivals.

42 For me, Clean air, water, access to affordable land, & culture and my liberal arts education

43 The ferries. Too hard to get in and out so people get along because of the stable population

44 Location, the pace of life the upkeep of existing infrastructure. Funding to the arts and recreation. The Mayors pride in the city

45 Rural setting, beautiful outdoor opportunities, friendly people, no rush hour.

46 Academy of Music

47 Lovely area, nice people

48 Outdoor activities, beauty of the area...slow pace.

49 clean air, beautiful location, friendly community, good job opportunities for myself and partner, access to the arts , great arts and culture here,

50 I was able to afford property, establish a garden and make connections for the food I don't grow. My kids, new arrivals don't have that opportunity.

51 good people, beautiful place

52 Natural beauty Volunteerism Our remote location Smiling faces everywhere Not much traffic Lots of art and culture

53 the natural beauty, golf course, good hospital

54 Our surroundings.

55 The many cultural events and the great access to the wilderness.

56 clean air and clean water good schools

57 natural beauty

58 forest & natural environment (what's left of each) library, isolation for safety/security, rain, forests, SW exposure, ocean, did I mention forests?

59 Music

60 I love living here even with some of the faults mentioned. The friendly people and beautiful surroundings make up for a lot.

61 Natural environment, parks

62 Beautiful environment and great community spirit. Lots of people volunteer for music, recreation and sports.

63 the mill cutting down emmissions

64 Friends and family

65 The woods.

66 natural setting, friendly people, many actively involved in making PR a more vibrant place

67 small town atmosphere

68 Seaside location & natural amenities. Academy of Music. Hospital. Rec centre. Arts community. Historic townsite. Walking trails. Restaurants. Max Thea

69 natural environment/ friendly people/arts and cultural activities

70 climate

71 Climate, locally grown food.

72 Fresh clean air, low pace life style. low crime rate

73 NATURAL ENVIREMENT

74 Easy going nature of people.

75 the willingness to learn new and innovative ideas, we are lightyears ahead of others in some areas. even this survey!

76 Increasingly diverse community as well as a sense of being an important part of the community.

77 BEAUTY all around Music programs from cradle to grave

78 Location, weather, natural beauty

79 Friends, friendliness of community, music, safety, lakes and mountains

80 The lack of access and development has kept town relatively unspoiled. That's vulnerable to greed and self-interest. Community spirit is paramount.

81 The environment that surrounds us creates that quality provided we treat it respectfully.

82 volunteers ! there are dozens and dozens of organizations in sports, arts, culture,churches,etc who depend totally on volunteers

83 being a small town, mostly good citizens and a beautiful environment, great and well maintained parks

84 beautiful place to live, look how many people are coming here from all over

85 -people willing to work togethee - those who embrace ideas of others as well as thier own

86	Splendor of nature. A good circle of friends and a church family.
87	Natural beauty
88	Concerned people, with my well being in mind.
89	The friendliness of the people, the welcoming attitude of the neighbours, the easy of life and the amazing environment
90	PR is a welcoming community
91	natural surroundings
92	clean air
93	Happy content and peaceful countenance of locals - community pride and peacefulness is AWESOME.
94	affordability of housing, natural lifestyle and low crime
95	A good full time job, a house, good health. A friendly supportive community.
96	The existing outdoors environment, weather.
97	The people and the climate
98	The ability to be out doors for free.
99	Weather, environment, isolation
100	CLimate and clean air
101	Location and career
102	The people who built this town, and those who cared enough to work for the GOOD of the community. The businesses who were able to survive City Hall!!!
103	space, lack of congestion, clean air and water.
104	Environment, clean air, space and people.
105	arts, culture and friendliness of the people. beauty of the location
106	The good folks you meet here
107	Recreation
108	nature
109	A non-homogeneous group of wonderful folks, an eclectic group of traditionalists and radicaal thinkers. And the sunsets.
110	Lack of large city status
111	Poor wages, no jobs,bad service,expensive transportation system.
112	the beautiful natural suuoundings that we have here !!!
113	the people who live here make Powell River such a special place to live.
114	Natural surroundings.
115	A great sense of community, a home, a sense of belonging.
116	environment, safety, general well-being, accessibility
117	Community spirit already here, i.e. volunteerism. Our spectacular environment. Arts and music.
118	The natural beauty of the place. the people's disposition in living in such a great place.
119	For me - good job, close to the out doors, weather is reasonable.
120	stable employment, opportunities to participate in a variety of musical activities, affordable housing, THE VIEW
121	The people
122	Our relative isolation, the beauty of our surroundings & temperate climate; our economic history & proximity to an historic First Nations community.
123	nature
124	One's own attitude!
125	Abundant, clean lakes, forests and numerous recreational opportunities. LOW TRAFFIC!!!
126	healthy environment, laid back lifestyle, access to inexpensive and first rate recreation and culture, friendly people
127	affordable housing, sea walk, sunshine coast trail, events at Willingdon Beach events, golf course, putting course tennis etc.
128	Small town, friendly people, closeness of neighbours(knowing them), availability of teachers and local doctors.
129	the ocean, the people, wildlife, climate
130	sense of community
131	more things for reasonable rates for entertainment
132	Great setting and open-hearted people.
133	Great hiking trails. Good hospital facilities. Good recreational facilities. Cultural events. Friendly people
134	Seaside location Boating opportunities Hiking trails Friendliness of the residents Affordable home Convenience of services No relatives here
135	Safe environment, outdoor and cultural activities, clean and abundant water, clean air.

136 Beautiful scenery, peaceful way of life

137 the recreation opportunities

138 The population is small therefore we do not have as much crime etc as a larger city; however Powell River needs to grow to offer life to younger people

139 environment access to recreational activities

140 nature, job

141 The ocean

142 The people. Watching out for each other.

143 Neighborhood pride - more could be done. Good climate Lots of organizations to join/participate.

144 affordable housing

145 GOOD PEOPLE

146 Make neighbourhood businesses truly considerate of their neighbours...restrict lighting of business, pick up the litter of products they sell

147 location

148 trees, water, space, relative absence of pollution

149 People

150 fresh air, pure water, isolation

151 my attitude

152 Our beautiful natural surroundings which we need to cherish and maintain. Need to work on poor road conditions to our lakes and hiking trails.

153 high taxes

154 Being here a long time getting established when money bought something

155 the many parks and green spaces

156 The people, I grew up here, kindness, generosity of neighbors, a feeling of safety.

157 All the lovely walking trails!

158 Hiking on forest trails, breathing in ocean air, visiting with friends and cafes, gardening, learning, young people with new ideas, Open Air Market

159 The Location.

160 Beautiful surroundings, nature.

161 community groups and volunteers

162 the community members, environment and wildlife and food resources

163 My Church, my friends, the surroundings of the community. This is a beautiful place to live, with access to fresh/salt water, hiking, canoeing etc.

164 Spirit, hard work and programs developed by volunteers, social agencies, and open-minded businesses and leadership. They need more support.

165 the setting, the sense of caring in the community, and the cultural activities

166 Natural beauty Hiking trails Dedicated dog park hours Good library Fair amount of classical music

167 the people

168 Nice beaches, no rush hour

169 Geographic location and small population.

170 Natural environment that surrounds Powell River.

171 the natural beauty and the temperate climate, makes for a more contented population friendly, caring people

172 The people's willingness to help others in need, in general people have better access to some programs

173 Friendly people

174 activities for my children, climate, natural beauty, availability of most services in an easily accessible small area

175 wonderful weather what good infrastructure we already have

176 The friendly people and access to nature.

177 The people who live here who contribute their time and expertise to all facets of community life.

178 Lots of places to walk around, less noise, but no job no money less quality of good food

179 location

180 Clean air, affordable housing, ocean, lakes, hiking, etc.

181 nature

182 inclusion, acceptance, diversity of perspectives, natural beauty, many inspired groups

183 Fresh air and lots of open spaces and walking paths

184	We are living on a island, with limited access(forget the Squamish road idea!!) Good blend of rural life and city amenities. Friends of a feather...
185	Seaside/mountain setting, housing affordability.
186	Our mild climate and the friendly people of Powell River.
187	The geography, the facilities and opportunities for activities, but most importantly, the friendly, open, and welcoming people of Powell River.
188	The people. Per capita there are amazing resources. Draw back is probably work opportunities and the need to loose young people for it.
189	natural surroundings/green space/ocean access/decent people(a few exceptions)
190	Oyr beautiful setting and the wonderful people who live here.
191	Fresh air, laid-back lifestyle, local produce.
192	Low crime rate due to our geographic location, the need for access by ferry has kept a lot of rif-raff out of the area
193	Shutting down the Kraft Mill. Building the Sea Walk.
194	Natural beauty
195	The wonderful spirit of the community. We have been made very welcome here.
196	- the natural environment
197	lifestyles
198	abundance of nature, far from a city, tolerant, glorious weather
199	Sliammon - Powell River protocol; relationship building
200	It's natural beauty and the environmental changes across Canada that limit pesticides and other toxins & mill emissions
201	Scenery of our coast line. Access to
202	The resilience of the people.
203	Nature, walking trails, access to beaches, forests, lakes and streams with clean water and wild animals. Affordable housing, VIU, Academy of Music.
204	People in various areas have profited in Powell River while poor people are still experiencing limitations
205	Getting more & better quality of services at the hospital (answered incorrectly?)
206	small community, friendly people, lots of volunteerism, beautiful natural setting (hope it stays that way--but think its taken for granted)
207	We are essentially an "island" and 2 ferries away from Vancouver so, it gives us a fairly safe community. It is peaceful here and I love it.
208	being retired and not having to look for work
209	Small town feeling.
210	Fun
211	The people and location and affordable housing
212	Low crime (violent), low cost of living, tolerance of/to most everyone.
213	Friendly people. Can-do attitude. Volunteer networking (groups that band together to extend their resources).
214	safe community, close knitted community, available decent paying work, lots of hiking, complex,
215	Beautiful coastal community with some every dedicated people trying to deal with life's issues in creative ways.
216	The natural environment surrounding Powell River.
217	the scenic surroundings. outdoor activities. arts and culture. small town, not much traffic. friendly people
218	the weather and location
219	For me it is access to the outdoors, hiking, music, affordable housing, good physicians and health care, size of city.
220	The people - friendly, easy going, unpretentious, positive, peaceful, caring, accepting - GREAT.

38. Can you name something in particular that most improved the quality of life in Powell River over the last two years? If you can, what was that?

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Responses:	137	100%
Total Responded to this question:	137	49.46%
Total who skipped this question:	140	50.54%
Total:	277	100%

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Response	Response Text
1	An updated public library collection
2	Getting a full time job that pays fairly well.
3	got rid of the wobbles running the city hall
4	Nothing I can think of.
5	Cat Scan service added to our local hospital
6	I love the growth of storytelling. Both the public events and the local group meetings. I love the Skookum Food group and the workshops they provide.
7	New water system and waterfront upgrade.
8	Nothing has occurred in the last two years, the major influences occurred some years earlier such as the various arts and cultural activities.
9	changes to bylaws/legislation that allow local producers to grow, butcher and sell meat to the community.
10	elected officials with a forward, think outside of the box position
11	nothing in particular
12	Revitalization of the Crossroads Mall, new box stores, and noticeably improved customer service lately.
13	lower plastic bags in stores - taking our own bags
14	The food security project. Canada's economic action plan and it's contribution to the local utility and harbour improvements.
15	increased bus service in town
16	NOTHING!
17	The beginnings of taking bikes into serious consideration as part of the transportation system. Keep it going!
18	CT Scanner; better transit
19	I feel actually it is getting worse as ferry fares climb and good jobs are getting scarcer. School enrollment down dramatically.
20	Quality Foods - showed what support really is - gave as well as took
21	Accessiblility to good healthy local food
22	-Food Security projects and education -alternative movements in the arts (i.e. CJMP), eco-awareness, sustainability conversations
23	CRC (I work there), the start-up of the youth centre
24	recycling
25	Increased bus service.
26	In the future the work on the waterfront will pay huge dividends
27	Better shopping choices; locavore movement. new harbour will be awesome.
28	Skills Link youth programs. Community Resource Centre. Youth Resource Centre. Local food movements. Removal of decaying buildings in Westview.
29	Beginning waterfront improvement. Making decision about where to build library. Starting improvements on roads north of town.
30	Commoners! Young families choosing PR! Great food security actions
31	David Parkinson and Kevin Wilson, ratepayers and chamber of commoners, the Farmers Market.
32	Academy of Music
33	I am new but I like Powell river Living and the local paper,
34	The pulp mill has improved the air quality a lot in townsite since the new controls were implemented -but that's more that 2 years ago.
35	The ESL Settlement Assistance Program for newcomers Youth centre
36	Kathaumiux 2010
37	silly question
38	McD's, Tim's, Staples, Wal-Mart & Putonic don't improve quality of life, I can't think of anything that's improved, decay/capitalitalism rule for now.
39	Marine Avenue beautification project Waterfront project (still in progress)

40	nope
41	Sunshine Coast trail improvements.
42	Quality foods.
43	The energy of relative newcomers willing to put their life-force to work to transform the old PR into the new PR.
44	gardening and food security initiatives
45	1) Interesting people moving to town - artistic, intelligent, creative and motivated with new ideas and energy. 2)Access to healthy locally grown food
46	fixing up wharf/saving old arena from development/Millenium Park/Kathaumixw/SOAP/
47	Westview warf upgrade!!
48	Expansion of retail outlets such as Q-foods, and the renovations of the main mall. Improved waterfront.
49	The planting of trees and good signage.
50	Haven't been here long enough
51	Better bus system
52	CJMP, I anticipate.
53	the Catscan and the hundreds of ways the community raised the money- great effort by volunteers
54	planting more trees
55	- the community stepping out of it's comfort zone and creating local versions of provincial, national and global events, initiatives, etc.
56	Counseling from Victim Support. Playing music.
57	No
58	Affordable housing makes it possible for me to establish a rich life I would otherwise not be able to afford.
59	concious efforts to maintain a safe and secured town by the RCMP
60	Opening of Quality Foods. Relocation of Magpie's Cafe to Rodmay Hotel.
61	I just moved here 1.5 years ago - it's all wonderful.
62	Having more local foods to access.
63	No
64	Number of new GPs and Youth Center
65	Knowing this November we can evict the mindless councillors and they know who they are. Quality Foods Hope for the future
66	The old township has regenerated. Hopefully the Westview ferry dock development will be a good feature. Nothing much to report on Texada.
67	ongoing improvement of the harbour and at least talks of a new library
68	Can't think of anything
69	education in the schools has divesified to cover trades as much as academics leading to more skilled students in the workforce
70	Chickens in folks' back yards. Now lets make biking and walking around a little easier with some good connectors. And get the new library built.
71	bus service to nort of town late on friday nite
72	Can't because things that get started take along time to finish,because lack of money,professionals,getting supplies.
73	the municipal garden caretakers are doing a really good job of beautifying our little town ...
74	increasing program development at the high school level; more kids getting more career opportunities
75	Waterfront project.
76	Kathauimeux has changed the lives of many PR residents- opportunities to host, to particpate, to watch, to fordge new, life long friendships
77	Increased bus service (& buses with bicycle racks!) Malaspina University-College now VIU Tree-Frog Bistro opened CJMP radio reborn
78	waterfront walk
79	? increased opportunity and variety of fitness programs
80	The sea wall
81	Accesibility of local farmers
82	fixing up the waterfront not much
83	not really --more needed
84	The new FIRE HALL on Craig Road (Northside) was at least STARTED!
85	Increased number of agricultural enterprises to enhance shop local, eat local, eat organic efforts.
86	moved outside of town to an acreage.
87	Arts festivals, local talent and local artists
88	The opening of Quality Foods, Tim Hortons, and the sea walk.

89	advocacy centre and the availability of the volunteer law advocate. She deserves civic honors.
90	Numerous musical and cultural events
91	PEOPLE WORKING HARD TO IMPROVE OUR LOT
92	Perhaps the expansion of transit...not the increase in fares though; presence fo liquor store in the neighbourhood &increased traffic reduced QoL
93	new buses
94	Groups promoting alternatives - Transition Town, cycle group, Edible Garden group
95	Better bus service
96	no
97	new university planned new track good recreation
98	In my location everything is gone backwards
99	Nothing
100	Street trees being planted!
101	Powell River Transition Town and all the work that's been done for sustainable living, ensuring food supply, working with new young gardeners. HOPEFUL
102	Hospital Improvements ie: CT Scan
103	developing food security programs and themes
104	New young adults and families coming to live in PR, Sustainability groups & people, TlaAmin Health, Diversity Initiative, Career Link, CRC
105	the growth of "alternative" activities becoming more mainstream - such as local food production, local radio
106	Only been in Powell River for 6 months
107	Youth Sailing Program.
108	in general, the public events from Blackberry Festival to the parades, to the choral groups, the 50 mile eat local challenge
109	found a full-time job after losing full-time job in Health Care privatization. Only worked casual and part-time since 2004.
110	We only moved here 15 months ago.
111	i haven't been here that long but for me it is bus consistency and longer hours or more frequent times for route #1
112	local government working on our behalf
113	Powell River became a pilot community for farm sales
114	The pulp mill slowing down, less smell Population remaining somewhat steady, not too crowded
115	Sorry, can't think of anything. It is deteriorating. Looking forward to new seawall walk by ferry landing being finished.
116	More opportunities for hiking, kayaking, etc.
117	Box stores with higher standards of customer service.
118	Less dependance on the paper mill, a more diversified economic base.
119	More local garden products and being able to buy meat from farmers.
120	The Max Cameron Theatre provides a cultural link with a larger world and a sense of wonder.
121	Our neighbours and the storekeepers. The level of friendship and service is amazing. Everyone goes out of their way to be helpful and kind.
122	healthy choices
123	fishing has improved; we can actually catch salmon
124	Greater awareness of environmental issues, willingness to create funding avenues for self employed services
125	Easey access to lakes, ocean, rivers
126	The Sunshine Coast Trail
127	Tla'Amin Health providing healthy programs in Sliammon opening doors to work with FN people at every level has been nice to see
128	Unless we can get better rates for travelling out of the area, people won't come here.
129	not selling all our lands for a gated community with fly-in airport. much more awareness of local food & its importance
130	transition town powell river group
131	Friends and growing own food and the Food Security Project's courses.
132	Access to the community
133	New ferry at Saltery bay
134	Symphony Orchestra of the Pacific (SOAP).
135	I met this awesome guy who takes me out to the natural environment surrounding Powell River.
136	more buses.
137	no






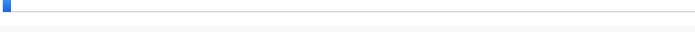
39. How old are you?

	Responses	Percent
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19 - 30: <input type="text"/>	0	0%
31 - 40: <input type="text"/>	0	0%
41 - 50: <input type="text"/>	0	0%
51 - 65: <input type="text"/>	277	100%
65 or older: <input type="text"/>	0	0%
Total Responded to this question:		277 100%
Total who skipped this question:		0 0%
Total:		277 100%

40. Which sex are you?

	Responses	Percent
Male:	104	37.55%
Female:	173	62.45%
Total Responded to this question:	277	100%
Total who skipped this question:	0	0%
Total:	277	100%

41. Where do you live?

	Responses	Percent
City of Powell River: 	181	65.58%
Regional District - North: 	26	9.42%
Regional District - South: 	44	15.94%
Sliammon: 	9	3.26%
Texada: 	14	5.07%
Somewhere else (temporary or seasonal resident): 	2	0.72%
Total Responded to this question:	276	99.64%
Total who skipped this question:	1	0.36%
Total:	277	100%