

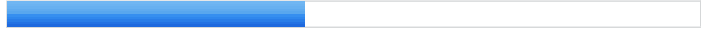




Survey: Powell River's Vital Signs Community Survey

Report: Default Report

Survey Status		Respondent Statistics		Points Summary
Status:	Closed	Total Responses:	685	No Points Questions used in this survey.
Deploy Date:	07/18/2011	Completes:	572	
Closed Date:	08/25/2011	Partials:	113	

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: 	9	2.56%
GOOD: 	135	38.46%
FAIR: 	150	42.74%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	49	13.96%
POOR: 	8	2.28%
Total Responded to this question:		351 96.16%
Total who skipped this question:		14 3.84%
Total:		365 100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	207	100%
Total Responded to this question:	207	56.71%
Total who skipped this question:	158	43.29%
Total:	365	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	Raise income (all sources including Income Assistance) or lower expenses, i.e. build social housing. Social housing must be rent geared to income.
2	living wage affordable housing affordable healthy food
3	Make it beneficial for larger chain stores to come into the community, and give incentives for them to do so, therefore more jobs.
4	Attract more business to the area to provide employment opportunities.
5	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
6	increase minimum wage to a 'living wage' increase social assistance amounts for individuals and families allow those on assistance to earn money
7	more community fund raising events
8	more low rental housing
9	Create programs that inspire people to be all they can be.
10	More availability of low income housing, more support for daycare so that parents can go to work, improved Mental Health care and availability.
11	Job creation and training. Cuts to hand outs.
12	I don't know, we have never needed the services.
13	better communication to determine who needs help and why they need help
14	more employment opportunities education
15	Provide affordable housing for people living on a disability pension, particularly those who suffer from a mental illness.
16	low cost housing
17	recognize the need...low cost housing, income fairness for folks just beginning in the job market, or for newcomers to the area
18	decent low income housing needed !!!!
19	Affordable housing. Youth housing.
20	Give school-age kids extra support required (food,tutoring,counselling, mentoring) to break the poverty cycle.Parent(s) provided with work for welfare
21	encourage the CRC with donations of food and time; encourage community gardens; decent low income housing interspersed through the community
22	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.
23	consider the influx of income assisted people without jobs
24	Probably not possible but reducing the stranglehold of unions on the economy would be a great beginning.
25	More affordable housing Bus passes for low income single income 610/mos Senior not being able to afford drugs
26	-provide more affordable housing for individuals living under the poverty line
27	Job training, job creation
28	need low cost housing, supported housing as well. The food bank could be better, although I think they are trying to improve.
29	Provide more decent low-income rental housing and perhaps some co-operative housing.
30	We need to tackle the drug problem in Powell River to really start getting anywhere. Also, young children & families living in poverty.
31	Try to co ordinate services , publish and communicate them well. Think of the client rather than the agency. Make PR an attractive looking community
32	Sports fees
33	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.
34	Provide skills training, including basic skills training and computer training.
35	Provide additional lo-cost housing, senior-oriented community housing
36	Stop labelling and stigmatization. Educate people about difference. Raise welfare rates. More community food gardens. Hire the poor, not the rich.
37	many people are under-educated or under - utilized; or have good ideas they can't move forward

38	make more programs and services available that are not cost prohibitive
39	Create jobs. Increase access to education for low/mid income families. Strengthen the college/trades programs in PR. Business training.
40	Affordable housing
41	Housing is a critical issue. Most low income parents live in challenging housing situations or in slums. Transportation .
42	Increase employment and wages; affordable (nice) housing, such as housing cooperatives; funding for seniors medical & hospice services.
43	a better food bank that distributes real food not random canned, packaged and non food items. Rent subsidies. Jobs Smaller buses, + route
44	training and employment opportunities upgrades to housing stock for Sliammon and ec development opportunities encourage sustainable devpt.
45	Support all efforts by workers to get higher wages.
46	provide more universal supports for all families (child care, parental leave, etc), instead of targeted supports requiring people to demonstrate need
47	more jobs
48	Shut down PREDS and get a really skilled economic development person on staff at the City, so economic opportunities can be developed for Powell River
49	Address homelessness Diversify the economy (we need new business and jobs)
50	Focus on employment so that everyone can use their abilities, however limited, to earn income and self-esteem.
51	Job creation in sustainable industries. .i.e. tourism, green initiatives. NOT more heavy industry. NOT more big developers. SMALL is beautiful.
52	Provide day care for struggling single parents. Children should never be refused entry to the Complex because of inability to pay.
53	affordable housing
54	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
55	up min wage
56	I know of nothing being done other than the food bank.
57	Give incentives and public recognition to small businesses and other employers who offer employment or mentoring for the poor.
58	more reasonably priced housing for low income individuals families
59	Improve the staff response at the food bank Stop charging more for out of town to use the Complex.
60	Give a little more. It actually feels good.
61	Dig down where we stand and do our own thing: set up our own currency, engage in barter, support local communications and social activities.
62	Financial support to small business to create jobs. People need to work. An economic deveopment agency that delivers jobs, not just big box stores
63	Promote higher education in the schools. Try to attract companies to relocate to Powell River. We need good paying jobs.
64	coming from a big city i see things in this area as being much better here
65	Encourage business and industry
66	Recognize the problem
67	Break the cycle of dependency for families & youth;continue to find effective ways to engage those in need to be active in helping themselves & others
68	-provide more low cost housing. -work to provide more work experience and jobs for young adults with learning problems.
69	We need a homeless shelter, which would help the very poor.
70	I don't think it's up to the city to bridge that gap. There are plenty of services here in Powell River to help people in need already.
71	food issues and shelter- help motivate to keep housing and self clean and drug free
72	Identify those at risk Focus on education and empowerment, esp if young Make this situation more visible.
73	-don't encourage displays of extravagant wealth where possible -continue to encourage new jobs, especially environmentally sustainable ones
74	make sure the food bank is open on a regular schedule Ask the hospital Aux, to be a little more friendly to those bringing items
75	low rent subsidized housing
76	school supplies provided with enrollment. more seniors aid improvised, e.g. grocery allowance for low income seniors in way of food card etc.
77	Keep necessary things affordable for the poor. For those in dire need have more services available.
78	Rental housing people can afford .Complex tickets low income families can afford.
79	Affordable housing.As a landlord I have tried to keep my rentals affordable but am forced to increase costs due to high taxes.Curb taxes.
80	activity and eduction opportunities for low income families organized volunteer opportunities for seniors or others who would galdly give their time
81	More free concerts or free tickets given out to the poor. Less demands on poor parents for field trips and extras. Home repairs

subsidized.

82 promote more educational support

83 Community sharing, cooperation, responsibility

84 not sure

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

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

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

88 increase wages. put more effort into supporting the Sliammon community.

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

90 More environmentally friendly jobs, but it's a small town so that's likely not possible.

91 Open Powell River to the "outside" world. The current city council does not seem to be pro-active in promoting or drawing businesses or skilled people

92 Intervene at the childhood level and provide integrated services

93 education - more support in classrooms opportunities for teens

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

95 Address housing issues for low income folks.

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

97 More low income housing. Better paid jobs Higher taxation (seniors with) high income Free recreation for low income More healthy food for less

98 Mixed housing projects for income earners of all ranges.

99 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 wellbeing

100 Stop allowing corporations to have reduced taxes while the community members pay more.

101 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.

102 higher minimum wage

103 Employment for individuals displaced from forest industry downturn. Many of the people displaced have little or no skills outside of logging jobs.

104 try to develop affordable housing

105 More health care specialists and faster health care service delivery.

106 Housing. Job preparation.

107 increase funding and services

108 Employment opportunities Education support and training support for people that are at a disadvantage

109 Healthy meal programs in schools - not PAC oriented.

110 Focus on the very young children Kindergarten / Grade One. Solving these problems will make a huge difference to later and more difficult problems

111 Address taxation (municipal) Protect public spaces and waterfront Strengthen the local economy

112 1. Get the ferry fares Lowered. 2. Fine away that discounts coupons can be made available for middle to low class people.

113 Try to encourage more industry to come to Powell River to create more jobs

114 More information on the present situations and let all people know where they could help out

115 more attention to providing food to students in schools

116 organize more free or low cost family bbq's luncheons, soup kitchens etc. ensure kids are getting a good meal at least once a day.

117 Giving rental properties tax breaks in exchange for lower rental costs. Also a neighborhood improvement incentive would be beneficial

118 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.

119 Affordable housing Jobs Training

120 Education is key in making people aware of how they are treating others not of the same economic/cultural identity of themself.

121 affordable housing

122 To help them to find a job for the poor

123 Reduce ferry transportation costs to lower prices of everything we bring in to the community. We need to shop locally.

124 Have more affordable housing supply small loans or grants to start small business

125 more seniors housing is necessary. A two year wait list for assisted living is unacceptable.

126 actually help people not just pretend





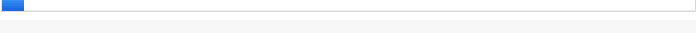
127 More employment opportunities

128 more low income housing for lower income and include seniors more community involvement with food bank






- 129 encourage jobs by encouraging growth
- 130 Have social workers assist the above to budget their monies, to grocery shop economically, etc.
- 131 Targeted employment-readiness programs Job-creation initiatives Save the Powell River Community Resource Centre Inclusiveness initiatives
- 132 Ensure services are easy to locate.
- 133 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!
- 134 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.
- 135 Tax the rich.
- 136 subsidized housing. More housing for teenagers who are couch surfing.
- 137 provide affordable rental housing have a used furniture store make food bank more accessible and available
- 138 Lesson the disposal of perishable items thrown away in supermarket chains by encouraging them to give these items to the poor (food banks etc).
- 139 Start with making a list of criteria for persons running for mayor or counsellor. They are the decision makers.
- 140 Why should we? People who want government assistance (handouts) should be willing to do some community service.
- 141 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...
- 142 encourage developers to build low to medium cost housing instead of big high end or expensive senior type (patio) homes
- 143 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.
- 144 Better low cost housing, more rental units in the low to mid range income area. Better communication between the two extremes.
- 145 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
- 146 Affordable housing Subsidized transit Stop City's user-pay philosophy Eliminate property flat tax Facilities and events in all parts of town
- 147 Stop the tendency of certain interest groups who are more concerned about property values from creating divisions within the town.
- 148 Those in poverty depend on income from federal and provincial funds. In Powell River municipal funds may be made available to subsidize needs
- 149 stop giving huge wage increases to all the public sector people. retired people don't get those increases so the gap widens.
- 150 Desperately need affordable housing in our community. This means accommodation under the \$200,000 or low cost rental.
- 151 Low income housing Create part-time employment
- 152 - lower housing costs to low income families - more financial help to low income families/individuals ie pharmaceuticals, housing, bills, etc.
- 153 Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Concentrate on feeding the children; breakfast programs in all the schools would help.
- 154 Income Assistance is too low for the disabled to live on.
- 155 support groups for immigrant families unified/organized groups that are funded social groups more support for children to partake in enrichment activities
- 156 increase access to affordable housing develop sustainable and stable economic and employment opportunities for youth to enter the workforce
- 157 Social programs available and known.
- 158 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, VIABLE TRANSPORTATION - city and region, affordable child care, more free programs/activities for children and youth in each region
- 159 Stop giving senior discounts. I think there are more young families that need a break with ferry and grocery costs etc. than seniors.
- 160 Support the inclusion of more external industry and infrastructure. Review policies on local business as a priority at the expense of wages.
- 161 taxes on the rich home owners
- 162 Build more low cost housing and low cost care facilities - both being not for profit driven.
- 163 Better paying jobs..
- 164 tax the 'rich' and if the low or moderate need to be taxed make it at a lower rate
- 165 -give the "rich" more info - what does the food bank need? -where to give clothes other than the less than friendly at times hosp. aux?!
- 166 that is a difficult question, perhaps some adjustment to working hours, to allow more people into the work force
- 167 Offer more low-income housing alternatives.
- 168 more support for learning disabilities and early learning
- 169 Support the ongoing funding and operations of the CRC and YRC would be a great start.
- 170 Stable funding for programs supporting families with young children.
- 171 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
172	give incentives to developers to address the issue of affordable housing...allow home owners to build carriage housing
173	get rid of the current government and begin to practice peaceful parenting.
174	Everything is given to the first nations and the people who actually need help get nothing.
175	More affordable housing for people with low income or disabilities
176	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.
177	more green jobs in micro energy projects. green building, waste and water management. organic farms more support for small business innovators,
178	Housing
179	Tax the rich their equal share, increase corporate tax
180	Communication - close the gap - neither is superior or inferior of the other. When we get that - we'll move forward.
181	Develop sustainable healthy jobs. Improve housing opportunities for low or no income people. improve healthful food sources for food impoverished.
182	Create more jobs.
183	Co -op/ low income housing
184	Equal Treatment
185	Treated equally - equal opportunities
186	Increase support in schools for 1st nations students
187	Have better paying jobs which would lighten the load on those barely getting by
188	Increase wages and access to training for people with barriers
189	More food bank awareness + donations. Have donation contest, etc at public eventslike SeaFair, Blackberry Fest.
190	Access to resources - example transportation
191	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.
192	We need more affordable housing and bus service north and south of town.
193	Life Skills Training (with remuneration). On-the-job training.
194	As FN people there are various limitations/barriers due to criteria implemented by INAC and local governments both local and provincial
195	housing!
196	provide true low income/subsidized housing for poor people that is well made and a person or persons would be proud to live there.
197	Low income seniors should be able to earn at least \$5,000 to defray high rent, heat, hydro costs and future medical costs.
198	Better housing for low income and seniors
199	Powell River food banks should be open in the summer while kids are out of school food costs group.
200	It's better than many towns I've lived in.
201	Single parent families can barely make ends meet on EI. Food banks can't provide enough to make ends meet.
202	Increase the minimum wage
203	We need to address the working poor issues where by individuals can only find part time employment that doesn't pay benefits.
204	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
205	Start being more economically inclusive. We need to reach a broader spectrum of the poor. Listen to people. Stop paying lip service. Better programs.
206	Support and encourage education Affordable housing Keep our good mental health services
207	jurisdiction issues / cultural misunderstandings / fear based beliefs

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: 	77	21.39%
FAIR: 	201	55.83%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	71	19.72%
POOR: 	11	3.06%
Total Responded to this question:	360	98.63%
Total who skipped this question:	5	1.37%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	11	3.11%
GOOD: 	138	38.98%
FAIR: 	149	42.09%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	53	14.97%
POOR: 	3	0.85%
Total Responded to this question:	354	96.99%
Total who skipped this question:	11	3.01%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	255	100%
Total Responded to this question:	255	69.86%
Total who skipped this question:	110	30.14%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Pay people enough that they can spend money. Then encourage buying locally.
2	living wage employment for youth to raise families and stay in town training options
3	Place tourism at the top of the list. The major draw that Powell River has. It is essential to bring in outside money. Beautifying the community.
4	Develop features that appeal to the growing population of retirees. There's not better place in Canada for them to live.
5	Develop tourism, make Marine Ave more appealing. More small industries. Insure that unused properties (including Catalyst) don't sit empty for long.
6	more attention to sustainability and food and water security lower ferry fares more attention to how to make this a retirement and tourist destinatio
7	bring in new industries!
8	more investment. Council to reduce the red tape for new investors and businesses and ACTIVELY encourage and support new initaivaes
9	try and get another industry going
10	We need ot focus more on tourism and move away from being a mill town.
11	listen to the people, more open minded as far as "green" industry goes, incentives for small business owners.
12	We should have a nursing school here. We have the property right beside the hospital. Incentives for professionals.
13	Better and cheaper ferry system, lower business taxes.
14	access road between P.R & Squamish market gardening
15	We need to attract business, and help ensure their success rather than put obstacles in their way.
16	Industry , jobs, lower ferry fares, City council should listen to the citizens. They have forgotten that they were elected by the citizens to listen t
17	more flexible scheduling in the mill, the stores and other businesses, so that low income people might be able to hold down two jobs for income securi
18	Concentrate on Tourism, eco friendly businesses and sustainably green light industry. Emphasis on quality of environment and not on logging everywher
19	small business start up help for people who did not receive EI
20	Reduce ferry fares & improve sheduled connections to Vancouver.Expand University offerings to draw students from out of town.
21	community identification and engagement - shop at home, support local farmers and other green initiatives, retain the beauty and peace = attraction
22	Lower ferry costs. It would encourage folks to come here and spend money
23	Secondary industries that manufacture items - too many minimum wage service jobs
24	Address the "old boys club" political mentality - allow competition. Kudos, though, for going after BC Ferries
25	BC ferry costs Affordable housing
26	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
27	-diversifying our economic base -keeping the ferries (our highway) affordable
28	Lower municipal property taxes
29	Attracting new business that could pay decent wages - unfortunately I have no idea what that could be! Too many minimum wage jobs here
30	Jobs for people who are educated and skilled, especially in the knowledge sector. Most jobs advertised seem to be for minimum wage, low-skilled jobs.
31	Support farmers and tourist industry. Protect spawning creeks.
32	Small businesses need better support. Too much red tape and bylaws effect small businesses.
33	Lower ferry fares. More employment
34	we have to do something about the ferries & the cost of doing business in this community. The gas & grocery prices are just too high.
35	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.
36	High end housing options for seniors wishing to downsize . Support for food production, Attractive spaces

37 More middle income jobs and opportunities

38 Tourism and employing the younger generation. Not enough trades employed here. Need business park! Too much anti light industry..

39 Training for young single men and single mothers Subsidized treatment centre for addictions Help local business bid on large projects

40 Find a niche market beyond the forestry industry. Explore wind power, tidal power

41 Organic small farms/food gardens. Tourism. Environmental awareness. Protect our water, land and air. Encourage small to medium sized businesses.

42 Attract more businesses and making it easier for them to do business; promote and support tourism; send a strong message concerning high ferry fares

43 support young families to stay in/return to/ immigrate to the community; "green economy"

44 change ferry system- too expensive - this is reflected in cost of goods and services and people are not able to afford rising costs

45 take action to address the high cost of raising a family or purchasing goods & services in an isolated community.

46 Get a (new) council that really understands what innovative means and to shift toward green and sustainable business/personal practices.

47 Sustainability plan that includes the health and wellbeing of all ages and the environment we all share

48 SO long as the ferry prices don;t keep going up..if they do we will be a ghost town

49 Attracting new businesses, keeping the natural attraction intact.

50 Affordable access to Lower Mainland and Island

51 An economy not dependent on successful operation of one large industry, such as the mill. Instead, tourism, organic farming/education, arts, etc.

52 support small businesses, grow our own food,start green projects and employ locals, city could collect compost & sell it dont look to big business

53 Tourism!!! Down town area needs a clean up...pretty up...needs work!

54 easy access for small sustainable business to set up in PR ie friendly and welcoming environment for new business

55 Our economy is very tied to the 'outside'. We need resource industries that are healthy and sustainable, providing good jobs for locals.

56 encourage small home based business. Less red tape.

57 Support initiatives strengthen the wellbeing of the community, instead of prioritizing markets. Think long term - economically and otherwise.

58 a new enterprise or business model

59 See # 2.

60 Change the community's leadership, including city council, PRREDS, etc. These people seem to be stuck in an old paradigm; we need democratic leaders.

61 Attract new business. Make City Hall approachable. What can we do to assist a new business, don't throw roadblocks up.

62 Attracting businesses to the city and helping them succeed rather than hindering them.

63 Increase tourism Increase sustainability with more agriculture Establish green businesses

64 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.

65 transparency of local government

66 see question 2

67 support the local people

68 Need to be more open to new compaines coming in

69 Continue to encourage new business by smoothing the way for investors. Cut red tape.

70 assistance for new business owners to help them be successful, support new ideas for economic growth (change can be good)

71 Do not allow any more large business, like Wal-Mart in to encourage mom and pop places and to honor the current business' Decrease ferry costs

72 Focus on tourism, less on big industry.

73 Cut prices a bit. We are not Vancouver.

74 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.

75 community cohesion around issues of sustainability (cultural, economic, educational etc)

76 We need a vision & market the heck out of it. An alternative, affordable, artistic, cool community to visit and live- marketed across the worl

77 The ferry schedule to the island. It needs to allow people to commute back and forth for work on a daily basis, a flat yearly fee for fares.

78 this is something i always worry about in this town yet it seems to stay alive and even thrive so maybe i should have said good

79 Think outside the box and make more progressive decisions.

80 More jobs in sectors that encourage our young people to stay here.

81 Mayor and council could stop acting like they own the city and start listening to the people who do.

82 Cut waste in areas of city budget and keep a tight rein on expenses.

83 Make the ferries reasonably priced

84 jobs and affordable housing

85 Foster public private partnerships such as proposed development at Willingdon (condos/library/park); promote small green industry.

86 -increase the number of jobs available especially for yung people.

87 Fair taxation.

88 Keep beautifying it .We need a new public library which will appeal to all ages and be a real attraction to newcomer

89 Maintain a strong small business economy - try and encourage a standard of a living wage among local employers

90 more apprenticeships for people starting new careers young and not so young small industries to employ several people at a time

91 Build up the resort area that I have seen posters for since I arrived 3 years ago, but never see any development

92 -find creative ways to attract/keep younger/working generations here -encourage "made in PR" sustainable goods

93 infrastructure to ship out light industry stuff Improve the ferry service especially the connections

94 increase small businesses, tourism and agriculture

95 lower ferries encourage industry-incentives

96 More interest shown to encourage Powell River as a retirement destination. Seawalk is a good example but if you notice its not kept up.

97 jobs that pay more than min wage.

98 Encourage people with money to spend locally. Educate people why its important to do so. Have a business fair that is fun, include food, be creative.

99 subsidized ferries, a road to the interior of the province, industry

100 An additional industry. Paper Mill should pay their taxes.

101 Change the leadership in both the town council and regional districts. We need capable people who are also visionary

102 I think that the municipal hall could do a lot more to be helpful, encouraging and welcoming to people who want to develop new business in our area.

103 more tourism opportunities

104 Local business development, encourage and develop a 'green economy'

105 A revitalized Marine Drive - something of interest to people arriving by ferry

106 Ferries, need to be reflective of the needs of our community.

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

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

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

110 We must get ferry fares under control. Further increases will kill our community.

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

112 The ferry costs are hard on our economy. If the ferries were part of the highway system instead of separate this would help our economy.

113 Making Powell River attractive and sustainable (i.e. more jobs) for young people to live, work and start families in Powell River.

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

115 tourism home care and sevicees for elderly jobs and activities for young adults

116 employment

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

118 The attitude of pr south harbour is not welcoming boating traffic, lacking signage, rules such as no BBQ's&backing into slips, deterring tourists w/\$

119 We need a cohesive vision. Right now the economic goals are scatters and incompatible

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

121 Diversity, not all eggs in one basket

122 Attracting more businesses to the community. Hiring local people (city still contracts outside of town even if knowledge/skills are available in town)

123 New Industry

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

125 We must promote self reliance.

126 Tourism - focus on and market strengths like biking and hiking trails, Sunshine Coast Trail, music - and the events that happen around them - better

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

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

- 129 encourage more people to shop locally, promote tourism more, easier access to loans for people wanting to start their own businesses, cheaper ferry ra
- 130 encourage other industries that provides middle income employment
- 131 improve transportation to/from Powell River
- 132 people to care for their community.. and businesses to stop spiking prices.
- 133 encourage small businesses and tourism
- 134 Incentives to stimulate new industries such as wine grape vineyards, water bottling, coffee roasting, ie: cheap land leases, tax breaks, grants
- 135 Another large industry is needed to bring families back to Powell River. The town is becoming a retirement zone and a healthy community needs families
- 136 huge decrease in ferry fees, should not have to pay ferry fees to leave Powell River encourage visitors, movement of the population, stimulate economy
- 137 encourage industry to establish in PR; build a high end conference centre on the water front; water front condos ?
- 138 Services for aging population Recreational activities for aging population Relevant to age entertainment options
- 139 On-going promotion of outdoor tourism. Better ferry service for commuter work on the island - keeping people living and spending in our community.
- 140 Help people to help themselves
- 141 Diversify the economy. Increase local self-sufficiency to reduce dependence on import/export and ferry travel and to keep cost of living low.
- 142 develop and enrich other industries (other than the mill) that are sustainable
- 143 More marketing of our area, attracting more industry to our area, clean up our main streets and make our town look more like an oceanside community
- 144 Focus on the history and character, arts- Marine Drive is very important for Tourism new wharf area great - more info on SCT it could be huge- diversi
- 145 The rising cost of BC Ferries. Our Youth, sports, activities eucational trips etc. The rising cost of ferries is putting a stop to everything.
- 146 attracting better paying jobs
- 147 More businesses in the community. Manufacturing rather exporting raw products
- 148 More industries...high tech type.
- 149 Work on promoting tourism on Marine Ave. (speakers playing music, street vendors and performers) to attract yachts and sail boats to stop in PR.
- 150 Diversify the economy Accessable/Affordable ferry system Continue to promote the natural beauty of the area
- 151 Higher education to be available in town. Expand the university offerings, make it a destination degree university, attract some young people to town.
- 152 competitive pricing to encourage people to shop locally
- 153 To keep the paper mill working
- 154 More financial breaks and oppportunities for growth with small businesses.
- 155 Organic food production. Tourism. Less 'exclusive' housing development. Rich people don't shop in Powell River, they fly or sail out.
- 156 environment to support small local business less cost to go in and out of town on the ferries
- 157 Encourage and support small business. No more permits for big box or fast food. Tax the mill properly. Realize this isn't a mill town anymore.
- 158 actually hire people who grew up here and live here
- 159 Another senior's home is needed as the number of older persons is increasing.
- 160 more employment for the young that is higher then mimimum wage
- 161 For tourism - ferry fees
- 162 laffordable rental space for business people
- 163 incentives for hiring local contractors and employees, diversify - recognizing the arts and the natural environment as key areas of value
- 164 Continue to teach/encourage shop-local initiatives Help job seekers find work with and generate income from out-of-town employers (eg. tele-commute)
- 165 Job creation. Everything flows from that. Without a job and income, it is difficult for people to survive.
- 166 Core activities away from building money. The community's foundation must be strong in order to strengthen it's economy.
- 167 Find a way to reduce the ferry fares to make Powell River a more desirable community to live in.
- 168 More chain stores, more jobs, better jobs and better pay rates for employees.
- 169 Ferry services should be free. Subsidized from taxes for Highways across Canada; or provide road access.(this would also create jobs)
- 170 Revitalize small business. Get rid of Wallmat.
- 171 Reduction in ferry fares and increase opportunities for tourism.
- 172 work on improvements to the ferry fares bring business and jobs to Powell River to expand economy
- 173 open up good jobs to the entire community. Not just close friends, relatives and business associates.

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

175 Could the money going to PREDS be put to better use. Compare them to community forest group. Who has generated more jobs/income for PR?

176 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

177 FERRY TIMETABLE AND COST!

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

179 We need to address the kind of businesses that would help the community sustain itself. There are to many low paying Jobs not enough long term jobs.

180 Get more people informed of what we have here.Beautify some of the downtown areas like Courtney and Comox,a few flowers go a long way.

181 Allow more businesses and industry to flourish here. Every time I've seen something possible be proposed - Council shoots it down! Competition good!

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

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

184 Beautification & Tourism New and Innovative Businesses & Manufacturing Food Security Tool Kit

185 Enhancing it as a retirement and tourism destination.

186 Promote and subsidize increasing agriculture. Promote and subsidize healthy living choices Reward volunteer actions

187 encourage more industry

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

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

190 - more local businesses/support to those that already exist - support of any kind to low income & seniors to participate in powell river's economy

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

192 More jobs for young people.

193 not resource dependent (a healthy community is diverse) tax mill more small business not chains (they hire better and support their community!) Local

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

195 Encourage more businesses to come to our community by lower taxes.

196 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

197 build a bridge

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

199 increased tourism industry highway construction to Whistler - less dependance on ferry

200 Higher paying jobs.

201 Lowing the transportation costs for getting in and out of Powell River - yes, the old FERRY RATE argument.

202 better paying jobs

203 Tourism will not thrive based on the current suite of accomodation offerings -Could our airport schedule etc. be improved for the traveling worker?

204 encourage green industry with tax incentives

205 Don't be so afraid to open the doors to our community!!! It's not healthy to let things stagnate.....stop being so afraid of change!

206 expand tourism and make the community more attractive

207 Prioritizing support for local sustainable agriculture (land availability is key) and local independent businesses, in general.

208 Free ferries! or very reuced ferry fares.

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

210 more support for arts and culture beautification of the town public art (murals, sculptures, mini parks) public art gallery

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

212 continue to support locally owned business and small agricultural farms.

213 Give people jobs that actually need them, because they have themselves and/or family to support, too many jobs go to students that dont need the money

214 Lower ferry fares. High unemployment rate. We need more jobs available. More help is needed to help obtain jobs for the unemployed who want to work.l

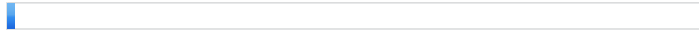


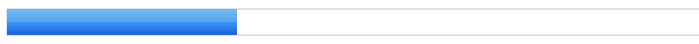
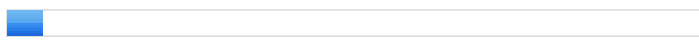
215 too many of the small businesses, and small farms, etc arent able to make it work...2 much redtape, not enough assistance, 'big \$' goes 2 big stores..

216	Being an isolated community such as we are (ferries), it's difficult for industry to move here.
217	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
218	a local exchange where people can exchange goods and services.
219	Better and less expensive ferry service.
220	Employment
221	Support small businesses High speed internet in all areas Keep pressuring BC Ferries for reasonable rates
222	Projects that would encourage more tourism. Lobby prov. gov. to lower ferry fares; ferries shld be same as highways-paid thru taxes.
223	Business. Not necessarily big box businesses. Sustainable business. Tourism - self promotion, more clean up and make PR a sort after destination.
224	Diversified sustainable jobs. develop an economy based on strengths--agriculture, beautiful setting, selfsufficiency.
225	Build a road that bypasses the ferries, or drastically reduce ferry fares.
226	All timber from the Community Forest should remain in the community to create value added products/jobs.
227	Need a way for young people to make a living
228	Reasonable ferry costs or a new road link with Squamish. Lack of access to Powell River will never allow the town to grow.
229	Aboriginal tourism, business, culture. gallery - first nations employing first nations people -
230	Create job opportunities, growth in population, health and successful students/youth
231	Hire more local companies for larger jobs instead of importing. Case in point SPCA building considering american company to build shelter
232	- Decreasing ferry issues + financing fares - Building a Highway to the Lower Mainland for more jobs + less isolation
233	promote tourism opportunities
234	Lobbying to have a road built to the Lower Mainland so we are not dependent of Ferries or Barges.
235	Continue to diversify. Perhaps ad campain aimed at "zoomers" in national sources promoting lifestyle and weather.
236	We need to protect our mature and old growth forests, fishery sensitive watersheds, the Sunshine Coast Trail, Stillwater Bluffs and ocean front access
237	our own economical development. Create local employment opportunities
238	Only 1 big business in PR. - Dangerous if mill goes down. Need to diversify - for more employment. ie. factory.
239	More tourism and businesses run by Sliammon FN community members
240	Encouraging local businesses; not making water licenses etc prohibitively expensive.
241	More tourism and lower ferry fares or return to BC government owned as part of our highways.
242	More diverse economy
243	More local businesses as opposed to large chain stores. No let David Formosa have too much control over things like zoning and development.
244	Ferry service - no reservations and no increases in fares
245	Do not rely on "tourism". It is a false economy.
246	Youth move away. Seems to be a retirement town.
247	Affordable ferries. Securing new industry. Funding living wage (not basic wage) jobs to ensure young people can live here.
248	Employment opportunities are few and far between.
249	More support for small businesses, home based businesses and food growing businesses
250	Encourage small businesses to come to Powell River and make it the process relatively easy for them. Continue to develop the wharf, waterfront areas.
251	Powell River rerquires a highway connection to the interior. The ferry system stiffles growth in all sectors including tourism.
252	Lower ferry costs! Grow more food locally. Spend locally.
253	Break down the political exclusiveness. Listen to the voters. Do the will of the people. Not the will of a few. Encourage and nurture small business.
254	Improve city hall attitude to encourage new business, improve harbour for visiting boaters, actively pursue tourism,
255	Relationship building between Powell River and Sliammon. At all levels.

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:	14	3.95%
FAIR:	150	42.37%
BELOW AVERAGE:	141	39.83%
POOR:	49	13.84%
Total Responded to this question:	354	96.99%
Total who skipped this question:	11	3.01%
Total:	365	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: 	3	0.84%
GOOD: 	50	14.04%
FAIR: 	167	46.91%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	119	33.43%
POOR: 	17	4.78%
Total Responded to this question:	356	97.53%
Total who skipped this question:	9	2.47%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	206	100%
Total Responded to this question:	206	56.44%
Total who skipped this question:	159	43.56%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Determine and support living wage.
2	Offer free courses in order to upgrade skills. Offer bonuses for businesses to hire local people.
3	Focus on attracting businesses and helping them to succeed rather than finding ways to frustrate and tax them.
4	Diversify. Encourage small, clean industry. Build tourism. Support adult literacy programs and ESL.
5	diversify, support entrepreneurs, create job sharing, implement a living wage
6	Campaign and educate local people to support local businesses
7	we need more well paying jobs as families cannot survive on low wages, hence more investment in industry in PR
8	Get some more apprentience opportunities
9	encourage "clean" industry, improve the ferry system and prices, more bicycle lanes
10	Pay more than minimum wage, but less than union wage. This community is affordable for many; they do not need to make 26.00 an hour. Attract families
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	encourage new endeavours cooperation between local governments dont hark on the past access
14	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
15	Try to draw new industry. encourage small business. Hope the mill doesn't close but not allow the mill to blackmail us by not paying proper taxes.
16	there is too much of a gap between those with jobs and those with low income jobs
17	Keep promoting small business and draw people to Powell River with arts, music, VIU alternative courses like in Naturopathic studies, massage etc.
18	Seek out larger corporations, and invite them to base their operations here. Lots of room for light industry and tech.
19	Light manufacturing, possibly at the old golf course site with access to deep sea port and cheap power.Berth the Comox ferry in Powell River.
20	encourage compatible, sustainable economic development & have the courage to pursue, practice, live out that alternate lifestyle Enough for all...
21	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.
22	More secondary industries employing skilled trades rather than minimum wage
23	SD#47 trades program an inspiration - some more programs following this model; make city hall more welcoming to new businesses!
24	Employers pay decent wage Employers follow employment standards
25	allow new business, diversify, utilize old blgs dont leave them empty
26	again diversification of the economic base...inviting and encouraging "green" industry, eco-tourism, small business etc.
27	improve waterfront for tourism, lower ferry rates
28	see previous
29	Raise funds to start a cultural center, art gallery with positions that are PAID (not volunteer) Expand Vancouver Island University
30	Support existing and new small businesses. Explore sustainable light industry.
31	More support for small business/home-based businesses.
32	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
33	pay a decent living wage to encourage young people to stay and work here
34	Attract mid-size business and tourism.
35	Provide good service options for the seniors who are coming to live here and create the new economy . Focus on Tourism
36	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
37	Provide funds for people to access training and jobs outside PR

38	see previous answer
39	Educate people academically and in the trades. Follow sustainable practices in industries such as logging and fishing. Protect the environment.
40	Promote PR as a great place to operate a business
41	support green inovation
42	from my experience jobs are harder to come by -employers not willing to pay decent wage to allow people to support families
43	See previous comments. Get our heads out of the sand and business's hand out the butts of our council members.
44	Work together, be open to a variety of possibilities and be willing to make short term sacrifices (tax base) for longer term gains
45	More options for employment, which would mean more employers.
46	Support small business, tourism, organic agriculture and the arts.
47	Hire local people, create jobs, look after out own waste water treatment so it can be used
48	Promote the community with regards to new people moving into the area.
49	an active & intelligent economic development dept to outreach to sustainable business , waterfront farmers/crafts market with docks for visitor boats
50	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
51	Bringing in high tech. industry. train our people and hire locally.Promote tourism. Make Powell River a welcome place for the tourists.
52	Support employers to provide decent benefits and a living wage for even part-time workers - keeping family needs and long-term wellbeing in mind
53	attract new business or industry or tourism
54	See # 2.
55	increase eco-tourism, eco-farming, invite people from other countries to live & open businesses here (see Brandon MB). stop relying on the mill.
56	Make this a retirement mecca, with the services to support it.
57	Increase tourism Increase green sustainable enterprises
58	The increase in the minimum wage will help. Stop depending on one big industry. Diversify. Agriculture, tourism and safe clean living for seniors.
59	Nothing can be done, global wars over resources (cheap oil) will lead to decline of populations worldwide & forced change in civilization. Grow food.
60	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.
61	Harness teh talent present in the community and give incentives to these persons to mentor and create new ventures.
62	job training for jobs available in the community (such as Career Link/VIU), expand tourism opportunities, market our area to business organizations
63	Keep building
64	Help people create new businesses
65	Get real about what a community needs most to flourish independently.
66	be creative and unconventional. look ot asset distribution that is not currency dependent
67	Better access - lower ferry rates and/or build a rail/road fixed link to lower mainland or interior - we would flourish
68	See previous answers.
69	encourage manufacturing sectors
70	Make our city attractive to retirees coming from other communities. Encourage small business.
71	Same as above. Encourage business and industry.
72	Promote the community & lifestyle options - e.g. e-business opportunities, green initiatives, the arts, support for seniors.
73	-work to bring ferry fares down. -get more light industry and medium size employers
74	We need more high skill level jobs. Maybe job sharing programs should be explored.
75	Offer more jobs and advancement for university educated, skilled employees that go beyond 40,000\$
76	attract small industries and businesses and give them a chance to get established before taxing them out of existence
77	It would be good if there was that resort I believe
78	-keep trying new initiatives -keep cost of living low, so those under-employed or with lower wages can afford to stay
79	see above it needs the light industry to keep the kids here Apprentice programmes (this is an American programme!)
80	encourage second industry broaden University campus
81	Hire more people to beautify the waterfront and streets of the city,
82	Support businesses, fair wages, promote PR to encourage new residents.
83	- bring in industry
84	More services to seniors. Obtain another industry. Protect natural beauty of the area.

85	Encourage new businesses to locate here, not make it difficult. Reduce ferry fares. Promote the community as a place for remote internet business
86	Attract sustainable new business not government supported ones
87	work closely with big industries, the mill is the most important source
88	development of micro businesses
89	promote health care related jobs, we are becoming a retirement community and we need to meet the needs
90	Promote BUY LOCALLY and attract and engage industry and new business.....
91	Employers must invest in training to upskill their staff. We need more manufacturing businesses to locate to the community and to Texada.
92	Encourage govt. to provide more training opportunities for unskilled residents. Support small business.
93	Have environmentally friendly economy stimulating options - bicycle tourism like the BC Bike Race is a good start.
94	Have a well thought out plan how where they want to take Powell River. Do what Diane Watts (mayor of Surrey) or the mayor of Kelowna.
95	Encourage new high tech jobs and provide more training and education to service those jobs
96	develop secondary industries and stop relying on the mill
97	Stop logging; develop a cohesive strategy that includes the arts; education; and alternate health within tourism.
98	Incentives for small business
99	See previous (hiring more local and attracting more businesses)
100	New Industry
101	Economic development and succession planning for existing businesses. Build on our strengths, such as growing the 'creative class'.
102	Connect with one another within the community so that we all know what human resources we might have here, what skills.
103	Continue to diversify the economy, and develop tourism infrastructure
104	thinking out of the box - example - having various entities contribute to a common need
105	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.
106	offer more university entrance level courses to people so they don't always have to leave PR , higher minimum wage rates,
107	Encourage the municipality to accept business initiatives like the ones they have turned down in the past.
108	encourage entrepreneurial folk who will start up new businesses
109	City hall needs to be more progressive and aggressive in IDing what businesses can work here and attracting them.
110	Invite another large industry to town. A prison would be excellent.
111	ferry situation has us truly isolated Companies think twice before locating here.
112	encourage industry and business to move in; remove some of the logistical/costl barriers that are preventing this
113	Bring in some new types of businesses that can pay liveable salaries to its workers
114	Hire and re/train local people. Ensure a minimum number of hours employment to keep people in our community e.g. casual health care workers.
115	Support local business. Increase educational offerings. Change expectations about our standard of living!! We expect to live too richly.
116	encourage small, local business
117	Attract more industry and promote the quality of living in a coastal community. Try to attract more technical jobs for our young people
118	encourage youth empl,low cost house, more courses at university offer support to new business that might find a place here with incent in form of tax
119	Small clean industry promotion is a good start. Communities also need to defend against cut backs from other gov. as these effect employment directly!
120	Encourage our youth to get good educations and proper training
121	Market our community as a viable solution and open for business
122	Offer incentives for other industries to come here. Make building sites available. Give land tax breaks for new industries
123	Answer is obvious!
124	- employers should create full time positions with benefits to create stability for people trying to patch together a living with part time jobs
125	increase schooling, more industry jobs,promote tourism
126	keep the new people arriving in Powell River to take over what they want
127	In town good apprenticeship training. Value added industries. Stop exporting raw materials.
128	encourage small business to supply essential foods and other housholder needs
129	Sell Powell River as a tourism and retirement destination and encourage small business to provide services. Make the town attractive to attract money
130	look at the person who is applying as a person
131	Good tax conditions for companies to settle in PR

132 higher paying jobs for young so they can stay in community

133 advertise powellriver to the WORLD

134 see previous. recognize arts, recreation, and eco tourism as key to the economy. hire locally. q. foods & new school were built using outside trades.

135 Support local biz & keep local earnings circulating in town Access government funding for job creation & small-business development Biz training

136 Find secure funding opportunities that keep jobs available to the community. Pay people appropriately for skill level.

137 Develop tourism industry, fight high cost of ferries.

138 Perhaps another survey to see what employers in Powell River are looking for and then provide the training at VIU for these people.

139 Learn what the word "service" means (in the retail industry) Service in most stores is non-existent!! Get some quality in the town , not WalMarts

140 Promote and give incentives to small businesses.

141 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

142 Get creative, take a chance, and go big.

143 Wages in PR are artificially high due to union wages being paid at mill and CDPR, fire dept + inflated salaries at council office.

144 Open up avenues for the less connected folk in town....

145 reduce home taxes so people aren't living to work

146 Keep on training people and keep educational costs reasonable and accessible.

147 All more business here. Attract business / industry. Break the "old boys network" that has a stranglehold on this area!

148 The mill and housing development provide neither sound economic development or stable jobs. Look outside PR for new types of businesses/employers.

149 Raise wages to provincial/government standards. Do something (I have no idea what) to encourage FULL TIME jobs, not part time.

150 Get away from the "Big Industry" mentality and think of things that will enhance the intellectual and ecological aspects of our town.

151 Make it possible for people on social assistance to keep what they earn until their income rises above the poverty level

152 encourage more industry to base operations here

153 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

154 Apply for employment grants for low income persons, some of our tax monies go to fixing boulevards, cleaning sidewalks, painting bldgs, enhancing PR

155 - hire locally for any type of projects NOT OUT OF TOWN COMPANIES! - for companies in need of skilled workers, provide training to the right candidate

156 Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Pay more but insist on no more contracting out, give the jobs to PR companies.

157 Our local employment center should not inflate job seeker success by claiming a person who found work for a day has successfully gained employment.

158 encourage small business, they hire more full time at better rates for their size don't rely on one type of business for jobs

159 have employment that provides a sustainable and living wage

160 Employers should look at local applicants, first and foremost, before looking at outside applicants.

161 Infrastructure- buses, housing, child care so poor can work; Encourage health, soc service, tourism + labour (factory, manufacture, farm, textiles)

162 we need work that will attract young people and young families into the community - home based businesses, arts, and cultural, educational.

163 change attitude toward new ideas presented increase profile of community as coastal retirement, eco education centre

164 Review the emphasis on local business, which can prevent employment opportunities for more people, and limit wage options.

165 Development a plan to attract business and manufacturing to Powell River.

166 -Employers can be transparent and have open dialogue about their staffing needs (current and future) -support those w 2 jobs, offer job sharing

167 to continue to build a sense of community, through special events and a continuing beautification of the area

168 encourage small business

169 Hire locally and accept local bids before seeking beyond.

170 job wages need to equal cost of living and that is a big gap, especially with such high rents

171 encourage entrapanuers for new small-businesses promote shopping locally focus commerce down-town/Marine Ave

172 lobby the province and the feds to provide funds for skill development and provide incentives to new business to relocate here.

173 become educated in a field that powell river will continue to require in the coming years. focus on health care, agriculture, education.

174 Businesses are hiring students at part time, which is taking full time jobs away from adults who need them, because hiring students is cheaper

175 Give a person a chance to work. There should be a trial period for the person to prove themselves and if not, hire someone else.

176 more people r leaving their fams 2 go find work elsewhere...cost 2 much 2 live, wages dont keep up, not enough jobs

177 They need employment for younger people with families. They spend a lot more money in the community that seniors do.

178 support innovative community building long-term jobs creating goods or offering services

179 pay more than 15\$ hr plus if they want people 100% committed for the long haul. otherwise people will leave town to work or grow pot

180 Training and Apprentiships

181 Buy local

182 see: answer to quest. #5

183 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.

184 New vision of selfsustaining industries and services based on true assessment of global and local limits. Bold leadership to make the vision real.

185 Encourage tourism, especially in the shoulder and winter season.

186 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

187 Perhaps a committee could research & provide creative suggestions of using Powell River assets/resources to support the basis of employment.

188 Pray that the mill doesn't close. Or bring in more businesses.

189 Definietly need more jobs. I notice lack of First Nations people employed in certain businesses, seek joint venture opportunities

190 Increase wages to give people a cost of living increase commenserat to gas, ferry and food increases

191 We need to utilize our own resources,like forestry+seafood, expand/capitalize on our natural industries.Enterprise with businesses related to the same

192 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

193 Continue to offer incentives for med/large business to relocate here. Look to Asia for opportunities.

194 Expand the hospital services , the V I University, Academy of Music, PRACL and encourage tourism through protecting our mature forests and streams.

195 Training and hiring of our people

196 Just not enough jobs - entry level jobs needed for low income folks.

197 To develop a long term plan which can support SA recipiants to move from poverty to self dependency / independency

198 Ensure newcomers are treated equally when applying for jobs! Should not all be who you know in PR!!

199 Develop sustainable industries.

200 Offer full time positions

201 Realistic assessment of resource based vs. "green happy" jobs. Both are needed.

202 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.

203 Promote healthy employment chances. If EI clients want something better, they should be sponsored.






204 Provide a land based connection to Canada.

205 Be more inviting to small businesses that are innovative and trying new things. Help them to succeed by being a link to other services.

206 I think that question is the one that nobody seems to be able to answer.

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: 	102	28.25%
GOOD: 	164	45.43%
FAIR: 	71	19.67%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	19	5.26%
POOR: 	5	1.39%
Total Responded to this question:	361	98.9%
Total who skipped this question:	4	1.1%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	27	7.5%
GOOD:	148	41.11%
FAIR:	118	32.78%
BELOW AVERAGE:	49	13.61%
POOR:	18	5%
Total Responded to this question:	360	98.63%
Total who skipped this question:	5	1.37%
Total:	365	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:	210	100%
Total Responded to this question:	210	57.53%
Total who skipped this question:	155	42.47%
Total:	365	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	Stop resisting ideas from anywhere else. Enough with the 'made in Powell River solutions'. It just becomes an excuse to not change anything.
2	Volunteer in any capacity with any cause. Make a statement with city hall on what you would like to see happen in the city and fight for it.
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	Support ESL and ESL social events. All community social and recreational groups need to put continued effort into reaching newcomers.
5	Get involved, volunteer, contribute your gifts
6	get involved!
7	use the opportunities that are out there to have your say, if there isn't one create one
8	get out and participate in things
9	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.
10	Volunteer, keep an open mind, and give back.
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	participate encourage welcome then consider new ideas dont hark on what P R was!!! accept that change is inevitable & may be positive or negative
13	Get involved. Don't allow those with a vested interest in doing so to maintain the status quo.
14	There are many organisations to join and lots of volunteering to do. New citizens should get together with other new citizens.
15	volunteer. Find out what people are thinking. Give joy to those who need it.
16	do what you enjoy doing and what you are passionate about
17	Important for Council to listen to people and act on their wishes if they have meetings to ask opinion and then do the exact opposite.
18	Still an 'old family' kind of town. Public input is asked for but not listened to.
19	Join clubs or organizations to belong, step up to lead.
20	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!!
21	Have leadership actually listen to what the majority really wants.
22	Old boys club still the mainstay - new ideas not accepted unless they fit the mould of existing thinking
23	volunteer and join committees
24	open forums at city hall
25	-getting involved in something that you feel passionate about -encouraging leadership in the school system -support the arts
26	Join groups of their interest
27	Pay attention to what's going on. Volunteer.
28	People need to get informed. Too many people complain about issues they really don't know anything about. Way too much ignorance.
29	People need to get involved and attend meetings. Those who are interested will do that.
30	Council should really listen and not keep trying to appease the mill. Regional district is lacking in maintaining focus on natural environment .
31	volunteering; helping others
32	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?
33	Attending council meetings. Councillors are too influenced by opinions of City staff.
34	Educate people about diversity. Teach them that negative attitudes and assumptions are the biggest barriers to people with visible differences.
35	The community doesn't seems to be heard when decisions are to be made. They speak up but the right people are not always listening.
36	Be informed; attend events; volunteer
37	-PR is a cliquy town - those outside the municipality can't influence many decisions - support small community centres; Stillwater, Craig Rd. etc.

38 get involved

39 Vote and run for council. I rated #10 low because of the lack of transparency and civic engagement by our current council.

40 Put yourself out there, be interested, use your vote and your voice in ways that count.

41 Make their voices heard! Be active in their political preferences- attend meetings and events!

42 Access and knowledge

43 Elect a city council that listens to the community and acts accordingly with concern for more than big business.

44 Council should listen to the people and not follow their own agendas.

45 Embrace 'new' people & their ideas....my experience is their is an 'old school' mentality in the community. No one wants change.

46 become informed and get active within the community by joining volunteer or community groups that interest them.

47 get involved ,

48 Speak up. Participate. Demand accountability. Don't accept the statements of the local ruling class at face value.

49 Participation, and get involved.

50 continue nurturing the relationship between powell river and sliammon; create opportunities for intergenerational engagement

51 change the city council

52 Become involved in groups such as ratepayers associations, attend city hall meetings.

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

54 Get involved.

55 Network Volunteer Get involved

56 Participate, participate participate!

57 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

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

59 We are an excellent volunteering community. Getting out and helping make things and projects work really binds us together.

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

61 Our current councilors could pay more attention to social issues rather than pushing through "business opportunities"

62 In a small community, being actively involved in community events and volunteering is important in becoming part of Powell River.

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

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

65 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.

66 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

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

68 Get involved in community events, service clubs, etc.

69 A city council that communicates with the public rather than asking for forgiveness instead of permission. Look at the clear cut at our complex.

70 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

71 Make themselves informed on all sides of issues, instead of taking a particular political stance.

72 Get involved in the activities that interest them. Run for office.

73 -treat the poor and disadvantages with respect -have the Council listen to people BEFORE making their decisions and be guided by what they hear.

74 Participate

75 I'm not sure what the question is asking???

76 Ask their skills and interests and slot that into volunteerism

77 -among folks born & raised here (of various ages), there can be a resistance to welcome newcomers wholeheartedly -gaps between Sliammon & PR need work

78 Complain out loud not to your neighbours! Suggest ideas Support, support, not expect someone else to do the job

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

80 participate

81 Take an active part in being a volunteer were one is needed. Don't look for payment as a return for your work.

82 Acommittee to bring small business together that would encourage more consumer participation. Make people feel good about being a customer.

83 Get involved,connect with like minds

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

85 Attend local ratepayers' meetings. Participate wherever possible.

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

87 Get out and get informed

88 volunteer work

89 participation

90 To continue the friendly, laid back atmosphere started by the pioneers of this area. Don't bring in big city ways.

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

92 Involving more new comers by holding open forums etc.

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

94 Get involved. Listen to all sides of the story.

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

96 Go out and participate.

97 Being open to different perspectives and opportunities with the goal of doing good and building a future for Powell River. No cogent plan at the momen

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

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

100 Gathering input is being done better. However, city leaders do not always act based on the input. A good example is the recent waste treatment process

101 Fair and equitable treatment for all

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

103 Open House, Forums, Information sessions, Update sessions

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

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

106 vote at civic elections, voice opinions at council meetings,

107 it's slow to get accepted. In fact I'm in a group of relatively new PR residents who are sort-of forming our own group

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

109 Volunteer wherever you can.

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

111 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

112 Be inclusive and open

113 Get involved in organisations sports/music/rotary/bookclubs etc.

114 Become involved in some community volunteering

115 Welcome newcomers into social circles sooner. It takes about 7 years to really belong in PR. Lifers don't know they're a barrier to inclusion.

116 get involved in issues/event/organization that they are passionate about

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

118 information provided in papers, radio , meetings encourage participation offer often

119 Get involved with activities like seafair, bb fest, canada day celebrations, bc day celebrations etc.. stand up and be counted

120 spirit of rotation New blood new ideas every two to three years

121 Getting involved & being informed about the topics being discussed

122 volunteer to help Get involved

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

124 stay informed and be involved

125 There are lots of groups and clubs to belong to but it is not always easy for a new residence to access the information about this groups.

126 Volunteer where people feel comfortable sharing their skills

127 change the additude of the families that have been here for 50 years.they need to accept change

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

129 let them have the chance to be able to belong that is the people who were born there


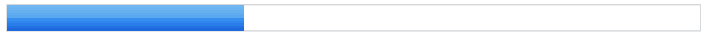

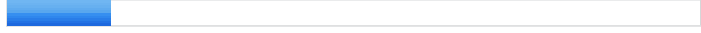

130 Volunteer. Get to know the community through its needs. Make Municipal decision making more accessible. Less in camera meetings.

131	get on the committees which try to make a difference stop contracts awarded to buddies and familie ties
132	Attend council meetings, write letters, make their voice heard, volunteer.
133	include everyone not just certain groups
134	volunteer and get involved in anything that you are compassion about
135	quit putting down anyone with a diff. opinion
136	run for council. vote. come out to meetings (although often it still feels you don't get heard).
137	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
138	join groups, event planning, volunteer, boards, etc.
139	Get involved with groups and organizations to assist others and themselves at the same time.
140	Step outside the house and join a community group. Take an interest in what's happening around the community and be ready to voice opinion and vote.
141	Seems like Powell River city council has own agenda no matter what the people want. Too many special interest groups, preds, pracl, prsc, etc.
142	Become more involved with community functions.
143	Become active in community groups. Volunteer.
144	participate in events of the community get involved by volunteering
145	Openess to other's opinions, not railroading their own agenda's.
146	One central info. agency. knowing what is available in a timely manner.
147	Be heard at our council meetings. Not have decisions made prior to community input being heard.
148	Join up and participate in community organizations
149	Committees and groups in town are almost incestuous in nature.....the same group of people, and their connections, seem to run everything in town...
150	get involved in some way
151	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
152	I feel regardless of my input and the majority's input. The decisions are being pushed through by the city, more about what they want not not us.
153	Listen to what the citizens have to say as far as leadership goes.As for belonging,do some volunteer work or join some of the many groups here.
154	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
155	Find/elect responsive councillors rather than old boys who ignore most of the electorate. Insist that council consult and respond between elections
156	To make sure ALL the people are listened to and not just those of a certain political or socio- economic persuasion.
157	Initiate small neighbourhood events for communication with elected reps providing means and ways for people with disabilities to participate
158	get involved
159	PR is not really welcoming to newcomers as a whole. Only superficially friendly (very cliquey). Newcomers hang out with other newcomers to survive.
160	Run for council, get involved, go to meetings, write letters to the Peak
161	- attended community functions and meetings
162	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.
163	People in council should not have conflicts of interest transparency (no closed door mtg) deals with mill? decisions re growth of community go bk peop
164	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
165	All people, considering ethnicity, should be represented.
166	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
167	Have more things to do for people age 20-30 yrs. Advertise. Too many things in this town rely on word of mouth.
168	there are lots of oppotunities for people to try new ideas - it is still a small enough community, and open enough to new ideas, just do it!
169	Take an active part in election campaigns - civic, provincial and federal. Attend Town Hall meetings.
170	those that were born and raised here need to realize that 'outsiders' are here to stay and are a viable and important part of the community
171	- professional development -learn together - ex Alofi Consultants put on "non violent communication" excellent cross sector participation
172	keep an open mind about new ideas






173	For newcomers, it can be challenging to find information that locals inherently know. A central online database for newcomers would be fabulous.
174	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
175	be informed and when lobbying local gov't do it in a non-confrontational way
176	Appreciate powell river for its natural beauty. Take pride in the good people of our community. Attend functions of your choice and become part of it.
177	People who have an opinion need to get out and go to community meetings, or else nothing will progress.
178	Introduce yourself to your neighbours. Get involved in different organizations that appeal to you.
179	its hard to feel we r influencing anything here as there r certain people who actually make the decisions according to their pockets or their friends
180	Becoming involved in community, volunteering
181	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.
182	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
183	Volunteer
184	Volunteer, join clubs and organizations, utilize organizations like CRC, youth centre and Family Place Write letters and attend council meetings
185	compromise and negotiate with people of diff. views; vote in different leaders; hire co. for a community vision/plan of PR & put in place.
186	When given a sense of feeling welcomed, validated and that you belong eliminates barriers and creates door opening & opportunities.
187	Make voices heard to government whenever possible, both formally and informally. Develop and support candidates who will represent our point of view.
188	Volunteer or participate in community events.
189	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.
190	Get informed about what is happening. Maybe improve the information included in The Peak.
191	Voting in municipal elections / voting in Sliammon elections
192	Participation - getting involved
193	Make sure ALL persons feel included + follow through with them for questionnaires, comments, feed back, etc...
194	take responsibility for what they know/don't know Use "Open Space" concept for input from all stakeholders
195	Become involved, don't wait for an invitation.
196	Our elected officials should listen more to the public. We need zoning and bylaws to protect agricultural and residential land use and our water.
197	Get involved. Lots going on in PR. Have to say something to have a say.
198	We must become informed and involved with something(s) of interest or concern in the community.
199	The community of PR has been working towards creating an environment, safety and sense of leadership opportunities for FN people, which is positive
200	- 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
201	A person needs to be interested in participating
202	Lack of inclusive information - the "Local Paper" and so-so radio are not adequate.
203	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.
204	Be able to be invited and involved. Have teens provide leadership to the younger children.
205	get involved
206	Remove all the old guard (not referring to council here) at City Hall and replace them with progressive thinkers. This community could rock!
207	get involved
208	Getting out and networking is not enough. New people who do not have high profile jobs or are retired have a hard time belonging, called "newbies".
209	Actively encourage new participants.
210	open mind; open heart. Sliammon First Nation / Powell River needs stronger awareness of relationship building

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: 	13	3.79%
GOOD: 	117	34.11%
FAIR: 	155	45.19%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	50	14.58%
POOR: 	8	2.33%
Total Responded to this question:	343	93.97%
Total who skipped this question:	22	6.03%
Total:	365	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: 	8	2.24%
GOOD: 	73	20.45%
FAIR: 	163	45.66%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	87	24.37%
POOR: 	26	7.28%
Total Responded to this question:	357	97.81%
Total who skipped this question:	8	2.19%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	192	100%
Total Responded to this question:	192	52.6%
Total who skipped this question:	173	47.4%
Total:	365	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	Wages in PR generally won't support raising a young family. Establish and support living wage.
2	employment opportunities lower taxes training options available at VIU
3	Make it affordable to live here. Above min. wage jobs are needed to afford the cost of groceries, ferries, gas etc. Beautify the city streets.
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	need a community organization that focuses on welcoming newcomers, and helping them find the groups and institutions that meet their need and interest
6	continue welcome wagon, newcomer's social, offer a free 6 month subscription to The Peak.
7	provide jobs for them!
8	be friendly to the new family on the block, invite them to participate in community activities
9	low cost housing
10	We need to have better post secondary education available so that youth do not need to leave town to get further education.
11	Free passes to recreation for six months; hockey, dance, etc. or even up to 2 years. Form a welcoming committee or newbies support...
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	Invite them to join organisations.e.g. ratepayers assoc., children should become involved in sports, council of canadians. academy of music.
16	see my previous comments. Don't ignore them
17	Excellent to have youth centre so youth feel valued and important. This was a community event.
18	Expand the Welcome Wagon program to include a 1 week, a 1 month, and a 3 month phone call follow-up.
19	Tough sometimes : work @ reasonable wage a prob - house prices increasingly a prob - If job there, it's a great place for young families
20	Hard to know - small town u can get superficially involved very easily but not able to really be part of the place
21	Host an annual expanded "get acquainted" event in a public venue (i.e. Willingdon Beach Park or Rec Complex) similar to Newcomers business event
22	Support Welcom Wagon as a service New comers night
23	support them,
24	keep a viable workforce that provides decent jobs which pay above minimum wage
25	jobs
26	it all comes down to employment
27	The aforementioned low-income housing. Sustain services such as Career Link and Community Resource Centre.
28	This community is good with helping people new to the community - the problem is there are no jobs to bring them in in the first place.
29	again provide decent paying employment
30	I think we do lots
31	jobs, education
32	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.
33	Provide immigrant employment services. The problem is, there may not be a large-enough critical mass of immigrants to qualify for funding.
34	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".
35	Continue holding the newcomers event at the Rec Centre; have real estate agents and rental managers provide community orientation materials
36	Lots of good work is in train for immigrants; we need more support for young families; workplace child care; studio/workshop space; collective promos
37	encourage employers to hire more people and pay a decent wage

38	Provide more opportunities. Orientation for new people. The yearly welcoming event at the complex is a good start.
39	Not sure but services and opportunities for youth are sadly lacking. There is not much opportunity for employment for those graduating high school.
40	need more opportunities...pr has a tendency to do things half ass...like the pool, skatepark not well done
41	Improve affordable housing options and transportation. more choices for post secondary education.
42	Access and knowledge
43	Increase employment opportunities with suitable pay and encourage integration with our First Nations community as well as immigrants.
44	We need job opportunities, lower rent
45	the new immigrant training program at PREP is fantastic, initiatives to showcase other cultures is a good idea,
46	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.
47	Visit them and invite them to the community's gathering.
48	more neighbourhood events
49	Hold regular community events, make information about community groups and activities readily available.
50	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.
51	Young people are having to leave Powell River to find work. We need to create more jobs here.
52	Be more inclusive rather than protecting the status quo.
53	Job creation
54	Be welcoming. Employ them.
55	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
56	move out . because of farries and gas prices it hard to live on 9\$ an hour.
57	Reach out, but the new comers have to take advantage of every possibility to meet and participate in as many opportunities to meet others.
58	I became an immigrant because of Powell River, more free opportunities for youth to enjoy outdoor activities, ask youth what they want
59	friendships and information regarding their interests, example: biking, hiking, music, etc. Clear info and how to search for a job in P.R.
60	provide jobs for young people. Reduce the gap between the rich and the poor by discouraging the practice of givig contracts to the same business men
61	Help them out instead of judging them
62	Talk to your neighbours. Have a neighbourhood party.
63	Make the stupid Peak irrelevant with better community communication avenues.
64	cultural events/ youth leadership and youth directed intitatives
65	Have jobs for them.
66	Use the welcome wagon as an intro to services rather than to promote certain businesses.
67	We found this city to be unfriendly to new people.
68	Have one spot where questions about services, ect. can be accessed my new arrivals.
69	Continue to make them welcome.
70	-work to provide jobs and reasonably priced housing -make a conscious effort to counteract racism, sexism, and other prejudices
71	We have lived here for 6 years and although it took a few years to feel a sense of belonging, we've found it to be an amazing place to start our famil
72	Don't just welcome - INCLUDE! PR people are not as embracing as I think they think they are
73	-offer new family-friendly opportunities, or existing ones more inclusive (eg. with child minders available) -activities in parks -more notice boards
74	Talking, saying good morning, holding doors, asking if you can help, all the things that a caring community should do but often doesn't
75	just say hello, strike up a conversation , get to know people's names, show an interest, volunteer
76	more open houses to social clubs broaden welcome wagon duties
77	Encourage the Peak to write more of the good things happening in Powell Ricver. Community Living is doing a good Job.
78	House job kind neighbors.
79	Be open to hire new comers instead of just who you know. Difficult to break into good jobs, as positions tend to be held for family/friends.
80	- have information about what is available, schools, day cares, sports, arts & culture, recreation - have free organized play ground activities
81	Things like Career Link help. Updating and advertising books that show what clubs are available.
82	finding work opportunities

83 inclusive community events, training for people to learn how to integrate

84 Share local information

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

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

87 While there aren't that many jobs, housing is affordable for most, especially compared with the city.

88 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

89 There are not many options for young people here. Maybe having more environmentally sustainable jobs available would help that.

90 Celebrate different ethnic festivals, foster open dialogue, encourage volunteerism

91 Provide seamless support, encouragement, mentorshi, and training

92 If you are not from Powell River, you never feel a part of it. Always an outsider.

93 Provide well paying jobs

94 having more jobs available

95 Promote a diversity center

96 Sufficient affordable housing. Contracting young professionals for a fair rate (not a rate for a retired p. Designate a 'mentor' to find your way

97 Be open and accepting.

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

99 Continue to be welcoming and inclusive of all; continue to raise the profile of issues to do with diversity.

100 community organization lists seasonal community activities calendar

101 welcome wagon people, inclusion, church involvement

102 welcome wagon

103 I wish we could go back to what happened in my childhood, when there was a REAL welcome, not a fake one such as the Welcome Wagon, though that's better

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

105 Provide support for youth who are just getting on their feet. Affordable housing opportunities.

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

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

108 Have a central place for information about our Community and what it has to offer in all areas. Support systems that are accessible

109 Be a great welcoming neighbour! Welcome Wagon/Rec. Centre program - as it offers a list of many different options of activities at the back.

110 Focus on the opportunities for young people - help them to help themselves. Not Seniors

111 not sure - it's about changing attitudes and letting go of greed (i.e. housing prices)

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

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

114 provide services, help with housing have new people be involved in community programs to get language if needed keep encouraging community to be invol

115 Informal, but perhaps organized, contact with parents of kids entering the schools to connect them to services and organizations.

116 Welcome new people, call the welcome wagon, volunteer in something. join an activity, go on the terry fox fun.(walk, run, ride, roller skate)

117 Provide entertaining venues for all ages

118 support them by buying from them if they are competitive

119 First they need jobs!

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

121 Be welcoming and tolerant

122 Let them get to talk and get friendly with people I know I had that problem when I moved there long time ago

123 More free access to amenities - community centres, sports complex etc.

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

125 there isn't enough reasonably paid work for immigrants and young people. If they come with jobs, the community is welcoming and inclusive.

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

127 Have jobs for them that match their level of training.

128 more ways to share information about what's going on. the ways are out there, but you have to know they exist via word of mouth before you can tap in.

129	Regular newcomer events and programs Positive accolades for employers and residents who include newcomers via the press and/or community newsletter
130	offer job stability
131	Make sure they are invited to participate in activities and events.
132	Provide them with resources so they can make educated choices about what they wish to pursue in order to make friends and find work.
133	People need skills, we need skilled workers, need employment opportunities
134	Provide training for good paying jobs(careers), here in Powell River.
135	Help in finding work or creating new opportunities.
136	affordable housing; above min. wage jobs. Diversify religions base.
137	It is up to the initiative of the individual to do this - not another community group with a govt grant.
138	Can't get my comments under 150 words
139	advertise services but of course that means that people need to be looking for information in the right places
140	continue to be open and welcoming
141	We need more decent Jobs and incentives for entrepreneur's. Eco-Tourism...
142	Give them the support they need,be open to change.
143	Like anything else, it's all about finding solid, well-paying work.
144	accept people from the "outside", be tolerant
145	More chances for long-time residents to encounter diversity personally. Celebrate different festivals Job networks of new and long term residents
146	Emphasis the positive aspects of the community as a whole. not just certain areas. Stress the values of the community and encourage participation.
147	provide support and encouragement by means of rewards - special offers on the price of attending events
148	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
149	Affordable housing, employment opportunities, activites for children and youth.
150	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
151	Powell River people are friendly but the town itself isn't that supportive to new comers. The welcome wagon needs to be more supported as it misses so
152	provide safe affordable housing and providing a living wage with opportunities to grow and prosper
153	Provide opportunities: employment, agencies to help and advise, church as moral support. We didn't get any of that when we moved here in 1979.
154	Housing, child care, transportation, more jobs - see Economy and Work sections. Activities for these groups, Mentors/youth and senior programs, etc
155	advertise events
156	support newcomers - support their work, kids in schools, etc. if they come with new business - support that
157	treat them fairly. just because they weren't born here does not make them second class citizens
158	- improve web presence of services/businesses - the quality of websites here is shameful! - encourage volunteering to get foot in the door
159	Rent is high, wages are minimal....not easy for a young family to get by!
160	take a chance on someone or something new
161	Online database for newcomers about resources, organizations, etc. It would really help.
162	you left out seniors in the 55-65 age bracket - that is a big part of the problem....
163	provide lots of information even before they get here
164	no idea
165	There needs to be more programs/groups for people who are new to town, to get to know others.
166	Maybe a Welcome Wagon?
167	youth leave to go 2 school and get jobs, young families(like us) can barely scrape by from month 2 month..food & gas SO high, rents so high..
168	Has to be jobs here for the young people to stay or one's wanting to move here
169	Affordable housing and Daycare
170	Affordable housing
171	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.
172	Improve and add services for new and young families to find jobs, housing, organizations that suit and support them.
173	Make newcomers feel welcome, encourage them to participate in community events.
174	Be neighbourly and offer help and advice. Have some information package about life, events and services for the realtors to give to






	new residents.
175	introductions
176	talk to people and inform visitors of events and opportunities -
177	Celebrate successes
178	Assist them, welcome them, present resources they can easily access
179	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
180	More awareness of "Welcome Wagon" programs + staff/volunteers are needed
181	A local resource book
182	So far everyone is very welcoming. Finding a job which will sustain us is a challenge.
183	Offer affordable housing, more daycares, opportunities for self employment and cheaper ferry fares.
184	Orientation sessions PR is pretty friendly to visitors or new arrivals. Affordable housing is probably an issue.
185	Reach out and invite them to become part of an organization or group.
186	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 land
187	Invite them to join us in our many community endeavours :)
188	Recognize the value of hard work and motherhood. Stop referring to us as a "retirement" town.
189	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?
190	Hard to know where affordable places are and to find groups to become part of.
191	Provide land based access to Canada so that the community can grow. With growth comes job opportunities.
192	be more welcoming. Find out who is new in town. The welcome wagon once did that job in towns. Invite them to join things. Accept their ideas.

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:	140	39%
GOOD:	165	45.96%
FAIR:	42	11.7%
BELOW AVERAGE:	9	2.51%
POOR:	3	0.84%
Total Responded to this question:	359	98.36%
Total who skipped this question:	6	1.64%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	5	1.42%
GOOD: 	74	20.96%
FAIR: 	181	51.27%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	74	20.96%
POOR: 	19	5.38%
Total Responded to this question:		353 96.71%
Total who skipped this question:		12 3.29%
Total:		365 100%

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

		Responses	Percent
Responses:		178	100%
Total Responded to this question:		178	48.77%
Total who skipped this question:		187	51.23%
Total:		365	100%
17. [Optional] What are the top things that can be done for arts and culture in Powell River?			
Response	Response Text		
1	While there are lots of arts, any job opportunities in the arts are too low paying.		
2	funding Marketing		
3	Cineplex, monthly live theatre performances (musicals/comedies), large province funded museum/art gallery.		
4	This is something I know nothing about.		
5	fund them		
6	I think we've spent enough there		
7	arts and culture is pretty well looked after		
8	this is one area that is very strong in Powell River and we just need to keep doing what we are doing.		
9	More youth driven (19-35) attractions or interests.		
10	We should promote our arts and cultural events and opportunities more.		
11	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		
12	educational opportunities perhaps between the university & Music Academy, ie degree programme, publicity improvement		
13	Support local events. Buy locally made arts for gifts		
14	more support from the municipality. Too much emphasis on "making money" and not enough on "making a community"		
15	Continue to provide venues but pursuit of the arts is a hobby that few can/should earn a living at. Benefactors should fund arts, not taxes.		
16	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		
17	Not much without a larger population - people like the service but do not support things		
18	Already doing a great job		
19	no comment		
20	more productions, feasible costs.		
21	-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!		
22	More injection of funds. Turn volunteer positions into paid positions! New public art gallery and library		
23	Advertise arts events as aggressively as hockey games.		
24	New library and new museum including display space for arts.		
25	Better news reporting to communicate		
26	I am happy with the way things are regarding art & culture. we excel at that.		
27	Provide marketing help, or access to the services of an agent.		
28	Provide free spaces for artists to display art or play music. Do not charge musicians to play at street festivals. Value and support artists.		
29	Continue to promote and support; work with Tourism Powell River to get the word out; don't charge musicians to play at Blackberry Fest		
30	subsidized work space and promotions; training to maximize good ideas; parent-child arts activity look to the future		
31	Local funding for arts initiatives. Education stream for the arts.		
32	community, municipal and provincial support. Have people value arts as part of a healthy community.		
33	Recognize the value in employing people in the arts industry and secure funding with which to do so.		
34	Could we look into a college for music?		
35	More advertising!		
36	vigorous lobbying on behalf of the arts, art shows, etc		
37	Perhaps more cooperative venues like Artique and the Fine Arts group at Timberlane?		
38	Make Powell River an destination for arts and culture. Promote tourism.		
39	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.		

40 More residents need to attend and support more cultural - especially music - events. City financial and in-kind support is essential

41 Increase funding for arts & culture; support new initiatives; open an art and eco school here.

42 Arts and culture at this point is mostly volunteer. We need a standing committee of Council dedicated to Arts and Culture along with appropriate \$.

43 I think we are doing a great job for a town of this size

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

45 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

46 Continue and expand the public support of cultural events. Lock in on a permanent basis City Gov. financial support.

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

48 More national and international promotion of our artists and artistic events - particularly for the visual arts.

49 I think the arts are doing very well.

50 Not expect musicians to work for free

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

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

53 I think we are doing great in this area.

54 encourage more festivals like arts in the park and advertise them to other communities

55 Welcome new ideas

56 Keep S.O.A.P. and Kathaumixw going and encourage all types of art groups.

57 What about summer stock theatre?

58 -keep providing the opportunities we do at a reasonable cost

59 Have a public art gallery

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

61 I don't think there are many jobs in arts and culture really anywhere beyond self employment?

62 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 income

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

64 -continue local government funding commitments -offer professional grant-writing support -lobby provincial & national governments to shape up

65 Small theater that does not cost too much 70 seats a new library complex with gallery and museum next to the Rec. Centre a second road to same

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

67 continued support lower ferry cost to encourage tourism to view are many talented artists

68 Doing a good job

69 To encourage higher attendance, keep it affordable, keep it diverse

70 - opportunities for the children to experience first hand - drama clubs - visual arts experiences - song & dance - sewing - be original

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

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

73 More live theatre required drama school required More night/day courses offered in arts

74 continue to bring in music talents

75 federal and provincial funding for the arts and culture

76 The community is very involved

77 There are many cultural and artistic activities in the area. But artists still have a hard time making a living with their craft.

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

79 It's already great.

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

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

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

83 More accessibility for low income families/youth/children

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

85 Increase tourism, which will help to create more sustainable jobs in the area of arts and culture, instead of it being a "side thing".

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

87 Create jobs for people who live here.

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

89 We have many venues for arts and culture in our community - theater, music, visual arts

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

91 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

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

93 Keep with the traditions e.g. Kathaumixw, Art in the Park, SOAP. Promotion of our events in other communities hotel/shuttle and theater. Website info

94 It's pretty great - but largely volunteer - more people visiting to attend might mean more paying jobs in this area.

95 Offer more! Offer Art Programs to encourage people to come participate and learn in to our community and stay here and see what PR has to offer

96 Art in the park, exhibit art work at local restaurants, medical buildings, malls, show off what PR has to offer

97 Stop relying on the same people. take a leap of faith and try new artist and musicians. Powell River has a lot of talent

98 Visual exposure

99 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

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

101 Provide venues to showcase work

102 more affordable venues for working and lower class

103 to know more people

104 Ferries need to be our highway. More funding. More venues.

105 No one hears about our cultural events. No one outside of Powell River is even sure where it is. Sell Powell River as a desirable place to move to

106 more places to get experience

107 fund the awesome artists that abound. hold more public events and festivals with more diverse areas of talent.

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

109 more money is needed to increase quality

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

111 Support financially or in kind to allow the creative process to take place. Artists cannot create when worried about earning a living.

112 Think we are an arts and cultural rich community.

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

114 Public Art.

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

116 Annual arts and culture festival.

117 Lots being done now

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

119 people to be involved, either as spectators or in playing a part in production

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

121 We have a lot of Artists and possible entrepreneurs that with support from the city could help our economy and Tourism.

122 We need a public art gallery, the music scene is good but they need more paying gigs. artists need a place to show their work without it costing them .

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

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

125 Open an art gallery.

126 Keep up the good work

127 Events could reserve a portion of seating free to people on social assistance as well as transportation to and from events

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

129 A public gallery would be a start!

130 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

131 hire local artists for more work put a focus on it in the downtown support it at VIU & at school

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



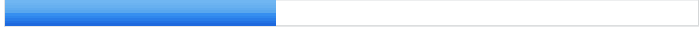


133	We need a modern movie theatre.
134	Gov support for events + jobs; reduced rents, tax breaks for those volunteering/creating events that bring people to PR
135	need gov't support need community support - get out and attend!
136	more funding offered at a municipal level for businesses promoting the arts
137	Job opportunities within the area of arts and culture are always hard to find, Powell River is no different. Build a strong Arts and Culture network.
138	central artists gallery ... ex Qualicum Beach has the old schoolhouse features over 60 artists under one roof - great shopping and cultural experience
139	to have a seperate music theatre eg. The Don James Theatre
140	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
141	Change up the annual events (most a similar each year) and include lower sunshine coast in marketing/advertising for such events.
142	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.
143	create a Public Art Gallery beautification of the town public art (murals, sculptures, mini parks) art academy
144	create a department in the city dedicated to attracting arts and culture as an economic driver
145	galleries continue to show artists work. continue to show and make and sell all the great work that our local artists do.
146	More events
147	plenty of opportunities, but many artist(like most people here) have 2 work more that 1 job 2 make ends meet..
148	I think we're doing a great job with arts and culture in this town. Keep it going.
149	encourage hockey players to dance and play music!
150	Funding for supplies when needed
151	Build a Public Gallery to showcase local artists and host touring shows and workshops Build a new library
152	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.
153	Develop arts and tourist related businesses to broaden what,s available and increase jobs in the arts.
154	More cultural events are needed.
155	Have a University for Music Education/Arts
156	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.
157	everyone get involved, artists and viewers of art
158	Don't know enough about...
159	Create an overseeing body willing to fund and encourage artists who continue to volunteer their time and work for free Arts honorariums a must
160	How about more volunteer art/craftsduring puplic events like SeaFair, Lund Days, Blackberry Festival? More fun contests related to same.
161	provide access to resources
162	Support the Academy of Music, Vancouver Island University, all music and art events and the youth center.
163	There does not seem to be a lot of visual First nations presence in PR. You really have to dig deep to find anything.
164	I don't often participate - my children are active in town
165	Additional government funding to support the work done by volunteers.
166	It would be a great opportunity to provide FN students/children + families to work @museums, restaurants,tourist offices,campsites and be more present
167	REAL municipal support would be nice. There is LOTS of support for sports teams and little to nothing for arts and culture.
168	Sad. Over glorified by few. Many voices not heard.
169	People in the jobs stay in the jobs. New jobs don't come often.
170	More promoting arts and culture. More children oriented places for school aged and teens to hang out.
171	support from local government
172	Encourage and support the present arts and culture in Powell River.
173	Community Compost site, which in turn people can purchase (with proceeds going back into the upkeep of the site). A great education tool. :)
174	Provide a land based highway to Canada.
175	complex could sponsor more events for local musicians and artists
176	Spread out the positions in organizations. Too few doing too much. New people are not able to be on boards of some groups because 4 or 5 people run al
177	City funding Supporting the library
178	Allow Sliammon participation; Acknowledge of tribe lead

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:	97	26.87%
GOOD:	205	56.79%
FAIR:	52	14.4%
BELOW AVERAGE:	5	1.39%
POOR:	2	0.55%
Total Responded to this question:	361	98.9%
Total who skipped this question:	4	1.1%
Total:	365	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: 	14	3.88%
GOOD: 	149	41.27%
FAIR: 	142	39.34%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	43	11.91%
POOR: 	13	3.6%
Total Responded to this question:	361	98.9%
Total who skipped this question:	4	1.1%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	226	100%
Total Responded to this question:	226	61.92%
Total who skipped this question:	139	38.08%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Making riding the bus a realistic option. This is the most care dependant community I've ever lived in.
2	preserve green space Stop Clear Cutting Replan forests permote and reward local farming
3	Every car needs to be safetied and air cared regularly. All cars that are deemed unfit to drive by a certified mechanic need to be taken off the road
4	curbside pick up of mixed recycleables. No more sorting or plastic bags required. Make Catalyst clean up their emissions. Ban plastic shopping bags
5	Don't sacrifice the environment for the economy.
6	no dumping, remove the garbage bag tag fee as lots of people would rather illegally dump that buy tags
7	recycling and composting
8	we need to get a proper waste management system in place.
9	Devoloping our ALR for what it is meant for.
10	We need recycle bins in Lund.
11	educate and make it easier for regional district to support recycling
12	compost program eliminate so much plastic recycle environmental sewage disposal using most up to date technology park area in all new subdivisions
13	We need an environmentally friendly Waste Water Treatment Plant . Not the Primitave Co-Treatment Plant that Council is insisting on.
14	clobber those who dump trash in the forest discourage anyone who wastes water, and those with the mentality of what is 'mine' I can wast more educatio
15	deal with our own garbage have our own composting centre for the community with curbside pickup
16	Bike lanes, emphasis on tourism, PUBLIC treatment and especially drinking water. NO run-of-river involvement.
17	Recycling pick up every week(curbside).Have a central place to bring electronics, batteries, ink cartridges.Pick up compostable waste.Ban plastic bag
18	Compost pick-up and a waste to power incineration system large enough to bring in garbage from other communities as an industry.
19	Community composting, preserving green space, improving public transit, encourage local shopping, food production, TEACH the old and young about it.
20	Compost household greens.
21	Too much emphasis on environment - we live in a forest -not enough on sustainable industry
22	Not sure - bus schedules are not that convenient for conducting business but I assume that ridership must increase to allow more service
23	Ban bottled water Work with gov to control logging in water sheds Control use of pesticides Encourage solar use in city businesses
24	we do well in this area mostly, higher dumping fees for the peeps dumping in the wooded areas
25	-Do not allow massive cuts of forested areas alongside residential communities, such as what occurred in the Townsite -we should have Aircare here!
26	protection
27	community composting - somehow stop the littering in the bush, public transportation could be better to avoid driving
28	More recycling drop off locations More frequent bus service to encourage lower car use A car/truck-sharing service so residents don't have to own
29	Community composting. Preserve the watershed. Remove stupid by-laws re clotheslines. Tax the s**t out of monster houses.
30	Community composting would be very helpful.
31	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
32	Think about where we site dumps , industrial areas etc . Approach to PR is very off putting . Need trees to screen unsightly industrial areas
33	recycling of not only compost waste but other things. Help getting large items disposed of you do not have a vecicle
34	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.
35	Community-wide composting program.
36	Other communities have set up roadside pick up for compostable materials. This should be done as well.

37	Environmentally sound disposal of waste. Improved monitoring of mill's impact on environment. Stop clear-cuts. Plant native plants and organic food.
38	Do not put the liquid waste water plant 4km out of the way so the sewage needs to be piped to it; deal with the decommissioning of the old dumps
39	we should embrace green technology & local foods; decentralize services; clean up rural sewage problems re privatized installation rules
40	Address our waste water issue. Listen to the experts IOW's get truly educated. There are great ideas out there!
41	continuy to support community initiatevs for sustainable living.
42	Offer education and information on enviromental issues.
43	Find a solution for recycling glass; use smaller buses; make some bicycle lanes; enforce by-laws for no-idling, smoking, backyard burning.
44	Enforce no idle laws. Educate people. Enforce recycle (fines for not recycling)the city should collect and make compost. City shut off lights themsel
45	Promote more recycling....more education on environmental issues...Powell River is considerably behind larger centres with respect to recycling.
46	pickup for compostables, do an inventory of how businesses are recylying and clean ensure constuction sites are recycling demolition waste
47	Demand accountability from industry, local business and individuals.
48	Promote central and private composting .
49	Bike lanes, ride share programs, more frequent public transit north and south
50	personal actions
51	Promote reduced use of water and throw-away materials. Make all liquid and solid waste processes sustainable, with economic use of waste products.
52	Put the sustainability charter to work instead of just on paper. Car sharing and public transport improvements. Add career eco courses to VIU
53	We need to develop solid waste plan that includes recycling, composting, etc.
54	Educate people Penalize those who don't recycle Charge more for garbage disposal more recycling options eg. Recycling for styrofoam
55	Compulsory separation of garbage and the making of compost for sale.
56	reduce plastic use
57	Ban logging, ban gas lawn mowers, get rid of mill, kill Plutonic, keep tankers out of Straight, nix industry/ corporate mentality, taxreward gardeners
58	car checks on exhaust
59	Work to encourage and reward children and especially teens to participate in all aspects of supporting the environment.
60	bins are easy to access to recycle, Peak provides information, balance access to back country with preservation
61	More advertisement for group volunteers that help with clean up, trail maintenance etc. and educate the groups as to why it's important.
62	more bus routes
63	Continue to promote recycling, and purchasing from local retailers and farmers.
64	Create less trash.
65	Preserve the trees. Keep our water and air clean.
66	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!)
67	more awareness/community initiatives that look at alternatives to consumersim
68	Bike & walking lanes. More recycling bins, (townsite, wildwood, etc.). Hsehold. compost program like halifax. Sort and recycle dump waste
69	i am a little surprised at the lack of resources in this area, i thought there would be more focus on this
70	Kill the co treatment plan as it could result in sewage in the sea.
71	Institute curbside yard waste collection in order to begin outdoor burning.
72	Clean and provide more recycling depots
73	Pick up/collect garden greens/waste for community composting
74	Find alternative methods to chlorination...particularly at the swimming pool.
75	- stop driving gas guzzlers and large v ehicles to drive a few blocks walk more provide even better public transit
76	Promote the idea of 'zero waste' much more; start a municipal compost program
77	Keep planting trees; do something about the devastation and degradation of our local forests.
78	I would like to see green recycling (compost) and free pick-up of yard waste.
79	Offer a curbside composting community like the one being adopted in other communities.
80	find a recycle source for styrofoam. keep up good work with home gardens

81 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

82 -propose lower ferry fares & emissions with reduced number of daily sailings -encourage affordable Malaspina charter bus rates - improve bike routes

83 Keep encouraging recycling heavy fines to those who are charged for dumping anything

84 more programs to educate about environment, recycling, home gardening, home preserving,

85 weekly enviro "two-do" list in paper listing two things each house can do that week to be more environmentally sustainable or concious

86 Doing a good job

87 Create safe bike routes,make soil with city green waste, preserve the trees

88 - curb side composting - reduce household waste

89 Stop the clear cutting.

90 stop logging for short term gain. institute a compost, and garden waste pick up that could be processed and resold.

91 Quit heavy logging practices

92 closely monitor those who continue to dump their garbage in our forrest roads and trails. Find them and fine them.

93 think about how you buy. ask yourself - would I want my kids to work under inhumane working conditions, where does this go when I toss it away

94 Teach the young people not to litter

95 Need to bring back the incinerator should not be sending our garbage out

96 Change bylaws to force environmental building. Increase community recycling and composting programs.

97 Not be afraid to challenge industry to clean up its act, this would include logging and municipal operations.

98 Keep up the reduce, recycle, reuse message, and have WAY safer and better bike commute lane options.

99 On the whole, Powell River residents seems to be environmentally concious.

100 bike lanes, education, environmentally friendly paper mill and waste recycling

101 Provide yard waste pickup

102 encourage bike riding by making the roads safe for cyclists, fix holes on the side of roadways, remove barracades on foot paths yard waste pick up

103 public recycling program. Free dumping of garden waste. Free public chipping and free pickup of the chipped bio waste. See Sechelt's landfill regime.

104 Get help form the provincial gov't to stop Island Timbers destroying our forest and trails.

105 Waste disposal

106 Setup a composting depot, goodforgarbage reduction & can be turned into fertilizer to sell

107 Improved cycle lanes/paths/lights Waste plant in the region payment for plastic bags

108 Encourage more local food production. Build bike lanes, particularly through the cut.

109 More public education and awareness for adults and kids; better leadership from local government to encourage green initiatives.

110 improve recycling access in the north end of town

111 mandatory recycling, incentives for people who are trying to make a diference, a mobile composting business for people who live in condos and apartmen

112 ban plastic bags, curbside composting that could then be redistributed for gardens (Burnaby model), saltwater swimming pool at the rec center,

113 transportation.. keeping more things in the down town area.. library.. for sure..

114 encourage enforcement of environmental preservation laws by the BC Govt.which currently cuts enforcement, and has such regionally centralized offices

115 blue boxes, more recycling, regional composting facility with roadside pickup of compost, more bike greenways

116 The polluting the mill is allowed to do dumping their pollutants in wildwood is nothing short of criminal and the community turns a blind eye to it.

117 stop Enbridge Oil Tankers with Dogwood Initiative or Alvarz. Continue your excellent work and community support like Blackberry Pottery. Get sustainab

118 Waste management and water

119 Composting e.g bins distributed by Municipality - similar to those in Nanaimo. More days supporting car-pooling, bike to work, build on the one week.

120 Each citizen needs to be responsible for proper disposal of their garbage - and there should be lots of reinforcement and also fines.

121 Act faster! The info is there, the will is there, we need to stop deliberating and start doing.

122 make recycling easy - provide reuseable recycling bags in curbside recycling create bike lanes/safe biking areas for commuting

123 Sustain clean air quality, and clean water

124 Provide more places that people can recycle, Develop community composting+sell dirt provide more garbage cans for guests to be able to unload garbage

125 Everyone, every home should learn to compost properly. Creating soil out of waste is a good thing to teach the younger generation all

the time.

126 understand it

127 compost sites for suites and apartment buildings

128 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!

129 continue to raise awareness through local initiatives--ongoing articles in newspapers of the many small changes we can make to make a big difference

130 We need to be able to recycle glass (at the moment it is too expensive to ship out of PR so they through it away)

131 Move towards solar and wind via government initiatives likes the City of Calgary Get into composting in a big way and sell it back to the community

132 recycle, reuse and reduce the amount of garbage. Take the bus when needed. Ride a bike if possible instead of driving.

133 make people feel good for doing that kind of stuff

134 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.

135 Promote Powell River's natural beauty and tourism. People will come. We don't need rampant developmentt, especially to try and attract wealthy ameri

136 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

137 Move sewage treatment from middle of town. Shut down mill. Create traffic calmed areas

138 everyone doing their share

139 more recycling containers around community dont let residents dump cardboard at waste station when the recycling is next door community compost

140 to make it easier for the community have ONLY ONE BAG for re cycling.All recycling can be sorted at the center.

141 support the Let's Talk Trash team.

142 Educate the public about benefits to them of helping the environment Encourage the public with "rewards" such as recognition for positive actions

143 education to low income families and children

144 Get better at recycling. Don't put cardboard into the landfill.

145 Understand we are part of the environment. Increase knowledge. By understanding systems we can't be oblivious of our affect.

146 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

147 We need to stop chopping down trees even though we are fortunate to have so many trees around us. There should be public access to safe composting.

148 The city should allow one bag or garbage per week without payment as Campbell River does.

149 Recycle. A composting facility. work towards zero garbage.

150 Willingdon park land that was recently purchased should have all of its trees preserved in its natural state, small sit parks should be encouraged.

151 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.

152 Stop raising garbage fees. They could be part of taxes. Give incentives NOT to dump garbage.

153 Free yard waste pickup. Comox is making money from composting. Why isn't PR?

154 reward people who have or planting trees...more green spaces with trees in the populated..limited developers from lopping down every tree they see

155 pay attention to garbage put out for recycling need for community composting of green and household waste

156 reduce bus fares every year instead of increasing them. Bike lanes. Sidewalks. Neighbourhood recycle bins. reward agriculture, farming & gardening

157 more education is needed on proper composting recycling and ways of reducing waste. More stringent rules need to be put into place and new ideas added

158 Stop cutting down trees unnecessarily.Keep pollutants out of our soil and water.Fine people who dump and litter

159 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.

160 Drive less, smaller Reduce garbage, store packaging Reduce water use Keep tertiary LW treatment Reduce chemical use - gardens, cleaning, building

161 Discourage dumping. It is rampant in this community!

162 Offer incentives to reduce the use of cars, provide walking and bicycle paths/lanes - parking lots are dangerous for walkers and cyclists at present

163 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.

164 - recycling pick-up with garbage pick-up - more recycling bins around town,wildwood and beyond, thunderbay store and beyond

165 Recycling kitchen waste, make it more expensive for people who don't recycle, get batteries and other electronics out of the waste-stream, etc..






166 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!
167	Stop driving huge beastly shiny pick up trucks to fetch lattes at starbucks. Start walking more!
168	focus on walking/biking trails make it more accessible so cars aren't necessary!!! look at other community models stop logging green spaces make parks
169	provide better public transit community composting educational recycling programs articles and public advertising about services available
170	SOME people should stop littering our streets. My house is on a major busy street and, off and on, I pick up garbage thrown by passers-by.
171	More green Recycling Stations; Add Composting Stations; Govt + Biz's more green- energy, recycling, less waste, less packaging, electric vehicles,etc
172	I love that our recycling pick up is included in our taxes, but there is an additional cost (buying tags) for our garbage.
173	have a community composting system of pick-up and sell the compost back to individuals better bike lanes
174	deal with the garbage removal issue.
175	encourage more local food production, community co-op farms, etc.
176	Be a leader in what can be recycled and establish an industry using recycled material, i.e. presto logs from coffee grounds.
177	really push recycling. change the recycling containers more often
178	-better info from Augusta - the "rules" and protocol are confusing and it can be intimidating - more recycle drop off locations-
179	1. clean up 2 improve our environmental practices as far as logging, fishing, agriculture and lawn chemicals, tackle the problem of invasive plants
180	I would like it if I didn't have to pay to dispose of plastic and other garbage that I voluntarily clean off the beach!!!
181	let's have a free store where people can bring their cast-offs and other people can take them.
182	Support the land conservancy. Consult the public on any project with environmental impact and respond in the public's favour, not necessarily industr
183	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
184	ban plasticbags/styrofoam packing styro recycling facilities "free store" @ Dump? stop logging in town! encourage walk-traffic downtown (mini-parks)
185	provide education and make it easier for the consumer to reduce
186	Reduce consumption!! Recycle!
187	Put out compost/recycling bins around town, as well as garbage cans. There are many things like that in other cities that work excellently.
188	quit clear cutting. Lower the price of taking your garbage to the dump & fine people for dumping on the side of the road or in the bushes.
189	the city is all for helping the environment...unless more \$ can be made by not...cut down all trees for track, then oops..cut down more for track..duh
190	for one thing, Augusta Recycle needs more recycle containers and empty them more often
191	Encourage people to recycle and continue to educate people about growing their own vegetables and fruit and raising animals.
192	sustainable, site specific energy sources, organic farming, car pooling and ride sharing, ecoforestry, conservation. We are the environment!
193	turn the mill into a hemp paper mill. grow hemp on a large scale (not pot).
194	Stay on top of the fly ash issues
195	Smart growth- make PR walkable by connecting protected greenspaces. Limit sprawl. Alternative transportation- bus, bike. More recycle bins
196	Institute compost pick up
197	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
198	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.
199	Need a realistic assessment of our impact and how to lessen it drastically. Develop organic sustainable agriculture.
200	Recycle, improved public transit.
201	Stop logging in the Watershed and use the forest as a Carbon Credit. Build a Composting Plant-aim for zero waste.
202	Make the town more Bear Aware and reduce available garbage. Make sure that sewage outflow is handled appropriately. Pick up garbage in the area.
203	recycle
204	Curbside recycling & composting in the areas outside the municipality
205	keep promoting healthy - less wasteful ideas. People contact government / city officials to encourage and support environmental issues
206	Create a composting sewage model and beautification project similar to the one in Comox Courtney
207	Place more large "green recycling recepticles" in rural areas + areas outside city limits eg. Lund, South of Town, etc.
208	Have a recycle educational sessions for all stakeholders



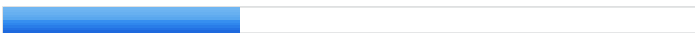


209	Doing good. Improve transit frequency, then hours of service. Perhaps bike lanes on major streets.
210	Protect old growth and mature forests on Crown Lands and Private land. All rivers and streams need wider forested buffers, and wetlands preserved.
211	We live in a beautiful area - people are conscious about keeping it clean - most recycle. Need more gardening initiatives - helps low income folks
212	Community composting - some are afraid to do it, some don't know how, the elderly and those living in apartments cannot compost at their residences
213	Keep working and educating people on our environment
214	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.
215	Create a waste management plant that converts organic garbage into soil
216	Ensure beach access in Regional districts.
217	Incinerate our garbage.
218	Look to Sechelt/Gibsons. The Recycle program here is absolute crap. Quote me.
219	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.
220	Love the fact that recycling is promoted and encouraged.
221	stop cutting down all the trees!!!!
222	I would like to see either a bigger market or more open air markets selling locally grown food.
223	Provide a highway to the interior which would reduce the cost of transportation making recycling viable.
224	more education in the schools. try and provide low cost electric scooters. help low income families with more energy efficient heating.
225	Think things out before acting! More parks and green space. Less housing development on green areas. A simple thing like more garbage cans on streets.
226	Plant trees, ban on plastic, improve roads for cycling, plant more trees.

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: 	42	11.57%
GOOD: 	168	46.28%
FAIR: 	110	30.3%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	36	9.92%
POOR: 	7	1.93%
Total Responded to this question:	363	99.45%
Total who skipped this question:	2	0.55%
Total:	365	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: 	39	10.77%
GOOD: 	163	45.03%
FAIR: 	124	34.25%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	33	9.12%
POOR: 	3	0.83%
Total Responded to this question:	362	99.18%
Total who skipped this question:	3	0.82%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	212	100%
Total Responded to this question:	212	58.08%
Total who skipped this question:	153	41.92%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Low wages, lack of social housing.
2	Access to specialists Need Qualified staff Need full time mental health specialists that practice in the community and provide continuum of care
3	Super stores are needed for variety and cost reduction. Locally grown food needs to be much lower in price. Dispensing fees are too high.
4	We have come to accept people with disabilities, but not mental illness. Steps must be taken to end the stigma.
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	we need a radiologist
8	doctors are busy, not enough support for disabled community members. Group homes should not be closing, we need more of them
9	always having to go out of town for speciality treatments
10	better access to Mental health care
11	Attracting technologists and keeping surgeons. We also really need a walk in clinic instead of emergency for stitches, minor symptoms, casts. etc.
12	legalize raw milk and local meat sold. ban junk from schools- serve only healthy food to kids.
13	accessability
14	We need to do something about the shortage of beds in long-term care fac in PR. We also need more assisted living and retirement facilities in PR.
15	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.
16	Waste Water Treatment Plant. We must think of the future and not cater to Catalyst
17	we have excellent medical care and are very lucky since we are so isolated. encourage back yard gardens and CHICKENS! get the kids involved recyclin
18	Concerned that we have to go out of our community for a simple ultra sound or mammogram. We are going backwards in our health service.
19	finding a family dr. Excessive waits at the ER. We could really benefit from a walk-in clinic for non-emergencies.
20	We are becoming a draw for more and more poor people to come an squat with others in the same position, straining the balance of a healthy society.
21	Great medical care here. Like alternative modalities available here. Local food situ. improving, & that's great! City needs to actively support
22	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!!
23	Too many disabled/low income population not enough industry to support them - too many things to support that do not increase prosperity
24	None, really. I've had wonderful care in every aspect
25	Access to Dr. Access to dentist for low income(dental program for low income) Affordable housing for low to middle income
26	waiting lists, second opinions, lack of specialists available here
27	-not enough doctors/hours too limited -mental health options are very medical model---mental health services should be offsite from the hospita
28	poor diets
29	Need mental health services
30	Continue to support and expand local organic farms and markets Work on emission reduction at mill
31	Having to go out of town for medical procedures.
32	Many people don't have a family doctor. Once you have one it's impossible to switch if you don't feel comfortable.
33	exceptionally long waiting times for surgeries & that we have to go out of town in most cases to attain this health service
34	A cat scan that has no operator.
35	Maintain support systems to keep seniors here . They provide health care jobs. Local food production, parks attractive settings all help.

36 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.

37 We need more local psychiatrists and services for people with psychosis and addiction issues.

38 Of course, we do not have many medical specialists here. We have very poor access to mental health support. We have nowhere but the emergency

39 We need improved accessibility for the disabled, not the illusion thereof. Find ways to bring all types of people together more. Inclusion is vital.

40 That the CAT scan is not available 24-7; that medical services on Texada are not always readily available

41 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

42 difficult when coming to PR to get a doctor - makes health care difficult when only access is through emergency department

43 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.

44 access to psychiatric care -youth and children in particular. access to LOCAL residential alcohol and drug treatment for women and youth

45 Difficult to find a doctor. Need to leave town for medical appointments.

46 Access to medical tests and procedures price and availability of organic food safe options for bike commuting and walking noise and vehicle pollution

47 no naturothaphth

48 Roads should be better equipped for cyclists...better education for cyclists...ie: helmets, riding on the road & not the sidewalks.

49 access to organic produce and meat clean drinking water PR water tastes horrible do something about this

50 Decent, affordable housing is very important but not very available.

51 Promote healthy eating and buy locally grown food.

52 hard for newcomers to get a doctor, need more coordination among specialists on V.I. to reduce number of trips to the Island

53 youth need help

54 Health and social services need to have good evaluation processes for both the service in general and for the individuals providing services.

55 Let's see what is working well and then build on those aspects to increase well-being of people and the environment.

56 Education concerning mental illness, so the stigma associated with it is removed as it is for other illnesses.

57 We need more locally grown food

58 Limit the number of junk food outlets.

59 Terrible! Hospital a very bad first aid station, top professionals don't come here unless they have challenged children, petty politics ace medicine

60 are medical care is in need of lots of work

61 Mental health issues seem to be increasing. We have to respond as a community by expanding facilities and treatment facilities.

62 need more local specialists and general practitioners, farmer's market is excellent but limited farm produce, encourage farm gate sales, maintain ALR

63 We need a walk in clinic, more doctors or doctors willing to take new patients.

64 It is frustrating that prenatal ultrasounds are not currently being done in our community.

65 I really don` t think anyone should have to sit in ER for more than 4 hrs.

66 We have no information about how much radiation we are getting. This isn't funny.

67 community gardens/ backgarden project/ sharing of harvest opportunities

68 Need safe walking and bike lanes in the city to promote affordable exercise.

69 Mental health is a big concern. I see this as a society thing not just community.

70 pollution of air and ground water bt Catalyst

71 Long-term elder care beds are needed and will increase, so that people do not have to leave the community.

72 Wait lists for home care & assisted living for seniors. Travel issues outside the community for treatment.

73 -full staffing of hospital re CT scan and other tests on weekend --need for good quality low cost housing -more jobs

74 local food is still relatively underground; farmer's market is inconsistent & inconvenient; a co-op market would help farmers and consumers

75 There are not enough local farms, or opportunities for young farmers to get started. Take a look at the Courtenay farmer's market compared to ours...

76 You should not have lumped the medical care and the mental health care together.....I'm not sure mental health is as easily accessed

77 -access to reasonably priced local food in Townsite is lacking

78 Ease of getting to specialists, need for a good in home programme, patients having a regular known helper, Paid people to deliver meals on wheels

79 have to go out of town for many basic procedures i.e: ultra sound..should be available immediately

80 medical for all

81 More home care needed for seniors more housing for seniors. Why could we not have a volunteer group to check in on older shut ins.

82 Having access to local meat, veggies, less chemical preferably no chemicals.

83 - children's health - bring health care professionals into the school system - out of town care is a burden physically, mentally and financially

84 High rate of cancer victims here. My personal top issue is lack of cash. Poor people do not leave town.

85 It's a closed shop. If you have issues with a health professional, ranks are closed against you

86 Sometimes the care is better than others, sometimes worse.

87 no issues I think the care is wonderful

88 Waiting time for appointments too long Not enough female doctors Not enough dentists Not enough alternative medicine options

89 Ability to draw more doctors and nurses to our community. Provide incentive to come and stay in our community

90 - bigger budget for home support, funding for respite care - increase funding for hospital, staff

91 more programs on healthy living is needed.

92 Be open about mental health and well being and educate and be inclusive and accepting

93 It would be great to have more options for locally grown meat products.

94 I don't have any at this point.

95 Glad we have the hospital.

96 If Powell River is going to be a community of seniors/retirees, the hospital and geriatric services need to be much improved.

97 Getting each resident a GP, easier and faster access to medical specialists, more support for local farms, cooperative farm

98 Having to go out of Powell River for medical issues. Not enough good doctors and services.

99 I think the support staff in our hospital and extended care units (housekeeping, laundry, kitchen) should be paid a proper living wage.

100 reduce the user fees at the complex

101 air pollution, access to medical specialists, affordability of ferry transport, sustainability, development of 2'endary industry to boost the tax base

102 we need a DROP IN CLINIC for all residents who do not have a doctor and/or do not have time to wait in the ER.

103 Need better mental health services.

104 Having enough physicians. Healthy (local) food is too expensive!

105 The difficulty time-wise in accessing specialists, in particular, getting to a Cancer Clinic.

106 availability of local, fresh organic produce; promotion of physical activity

107 waiting time to get into the doctor office. access to medical speciality services & doctors

108 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.

109 Car emissions? Encourage more cycling ... !!!

110 qualified radiologist, better support for families that have to attend medical appt in Van., which is very costly in the area of fuel and accommodation

111 wait times in ER and in referrals/ surgeries (eg. 3 yrs for a knee replacement) ; also insufficient long-term beds and inadequate home support (both pr

112 Not enough medical specialists. Referrals take too long. The hospital is not good enough, too many mistakes!

113 Medical services are beyond ridiculous. Doctors shortages, having to travel out of town for many diagnosis and treatment plus costs are a hardship

114 sufficient medical staffing and access to hospitalization and services should I need it.

115 good live theatre food sustainability horses work on farms for low income, give them 3 acres or more Watch our Green Films screening now for the public

116 I have none....excellent care personally

117 Access to dental care for those who may not have coverage e.g. program similar to eye-care for school age children - you asked!

118 Help farming and do not kill their initiative with bureaucratic regulations. make local food more accessible

119 More local food pls! Doctors have too much power in this town and if you cross one you get blackballed. It's great, however, that we have a hospital!

120 having to travel to access health care - e.g. surgery, orthodontics, naturopath, etc.

121 Having to go out of town for x rays.

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

123 Earthquake preparedness

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

125 youth alcohol and drug abuse

126 It would be nice to have better access to specialists in PR.

127 Many people have to leave town to obtain tests/specialized services and the ferry schedule to Vancouver is poor.

128 not enough doctors or specialists

129 Have a good doctor and dentist and hospital

130 Housing for disabled. Why doesn't someone reactivate the old Westview Inn? It has rooms. It has dining halls. Surely the current eyesore can be us

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

132 not enough dentists

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

134 More doctors and seniors living facilities

135 long waits to see specialists out of town

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

137 The municipality should have a van to take patients to the Island and Vancouver.

138 local food is big here, but there still isn't a lot of surplus to purchase. this is on the rise, as are cooperative ways to create abundance. yay!

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

140 powell river is an excellent place to take care of your health, very supportive, with many opportunities

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

142 Health of the community depends upon the air we breathe, water we drink. By looking after our environment we look after ourselves.

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

144 We need a drop in clinic for citizens. It would free up the emergency ward at the hospital plus allow for quicker medical attention.

145 We need more opportunities for local farmers to sell produce other than the open air market.

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

147 Logging and mining practices.

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

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

150 Too few specialists - too much travel on ferries

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

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

153 We would not survive on our own here. It is growing but way more needs to be done on educating the public, not being dependant on box stores for food

154 We need more help in the mental health area. Medication is not enough many would benefit from psychology and groups

155 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

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

157 We need more options for pregnancy, labour, delivery (i.e. a birthing pool, access to midwives, more trained doulas)

158 Have a farmers market central to the town all week during the summer.

159 Access and availability

160 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.

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

162 Faster wait times in emergency, nicer, kinder nurses at the hospital.

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

164 some resources are not accessible re health and choice (ie. midwifery) Needs more farms

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

166 An emergency nurse must be patient and understanding not rude, unkind, and, most of all, hurtful.

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

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

169 There is no pediatric dentist!!!!!!!!!!!!

170 Do not have any - except we should work on Powell River being a provincial Health & Well-being destination.

171 - find a family doc - there wasn't a single one in town accepting new patients - love local food options! - better recreation schedule at complex

172 competence

173 sometimes difficult for newcomers to find an MD

174 Access to healthy, affordable, local food. Supporting low-income families with accessing recreation facilities and active lifestyle choices.

175 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

176 more frequent farmers markets, central in town encourage pedestrians down-town, creating min-parks, beautifying the town, filling empty storefronts

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

178 Prevention.

179 more advertisement

180 We should be allowed to change doctors if we feel the doctor is incompetent. We should be able to trust the Health Authority.

181 most doctors r a joke here, and u cant change docs once u find that out, locally grown food is accessible, but not affordable

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

183 Qualified people in our hospitals

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

185 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.

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

187 Herbicides/pesticides need to be banned.

188 We need more specialist doctors here ! We shouldn't have to travel to Campbell River for an operation.

189 Having a first nation person sitting on the board of health eg. Vanc Coastal Health, etc. (Slammon)

190 We need to be culturally, spiritually healthy. The focus of health needs to be broadend beyond the physical

191 I have Dr. + Dentist, but have heard of others having hard time getting in to see someone. Not sure if that means we don't have enough!

192 The need to travel outside the community for health referalls with no compensation outside daily ferry times, not always convenient or affordable

193 Lack of transportation for poor families in areas outside City Limits is an ongoing factor. More bus routes +/- bring dentists/doctors to communities

194 Access to local Dr. + Dentists - wait a week to get in + see one Walk In/Drop In Clinic

195 Not here long enough, children have extra needs so perhaps will need more than offered.

196 Protect and enforce the land use regulations and Agricultural Land Reserves. Restrict industrial activity in watersheds and rural residential areas.

197 Cost is a barrier for low-income folks to get healthy foods.

198 Mental health services and supports are not adequate for the number of people needing them

199 Worry about diabetes in family - availability of fast foods - pop - changing and learning about healthy life style is important

200 More health facilities here so old people don't have to leave town for care.

201 Need 24 hour access to CAT scanner and qualified CAT scan readers.

202 Mental; health care is poor. Top heavy admin in mental health areas. Poor access to critical care. Very poor coordination/education re: local food.

203 Hospital cleanliness. Getting the CT into fulltime operation.

204 There is need for a full-time pediatrician. We need more information on where to find local food and who sells it.

205 We need an new up-to-date Olive Devaud

206 I would like either a bigger market or more open air markets selling locally grown food.

207 Having to ride a ferry to Vancouver or the island to see specialists.

208 It is difficult for new families in town to find a family physician. Local food is excellent but also expensive.

209 more help for people with mental illness and addiction as well as seniors. dental and eye care for low income people.





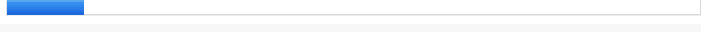
210 Alcoholism is a big problem. Loss of jobs, poverty is increasing mental illness. Poor eating habits, too many fast food outlets in town of this size.

211 Cuts in health care Lack of senior care housing Drug use; lack of rehab Needing ferries to go for specialty services (medical) Mill pollution



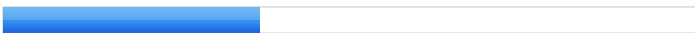


212 Jurisdiction; too expensive! Too much favoritism.

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: 	4	1.15%
GOOD: 	66	18.97%
FAIR: 	166	47.7%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	72	20.69%
POOR: 	40	11.49%
Total Responded to this question:	348	95.34%
Total who skipped this question:	17	4.66%
Total:	365	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: 	30	8.38%
GOOD: 	131	36.59%
FAIR: 	134	37.43%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	48	13.41%
POOR: 	15	4.19%
Total Responded to this question:	358	98.08%
Total who skipped this question:	7	1.92%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	196	100%
Total Responded to this question:	196	53.7%
Total who skipped this question:	169	46.3%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Housing that is rent geared to income - social housing.
2	affordable/low income housing
3	Build low cost rental housing units that must be maintained properly (following set rules) by the renter at all times or they are evicted immediately.
4	Affordable and available housing for people with mental illness.
5	programs to build low cost housing. programs to subsidize housing for families and those with disabilities
6	Affordable and social housing
7	lower taxes
8	more low rentals
9	more subsidized housing available for all ages.
10	Being pro active and flexible with developers. Work with them. They have vision. Transit for every neighborhood.
11	more elderly care homes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
12	See previous page
13	Affordable, suitable, supported housing should be made available to people with serious mental illness. They are not in a position to help themselves
14	Low- rental housing
15	low cost housing which is clean, well maintained and affordable perhaps a different tax base for such facilities
16	Housing priorities should be for low and middle income housing. We are lucky though our prices are not inflated and I have seen young people buying.
17	subsidized housing opportunities within the community at large. not just 'low income developments'.
18	Need youth transitional housing!
19	House and treat the mentally ill. Progressive senior village with dynamic amenities and various stages of care.
20	Housing for seniors and low cost housing for families
21	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
22	Low income housing.
23	Lots for assisted income meanwhile people who want to sell and/or move experiencing horrible market
24	Don't know enough to answer question #24. Low rental houses always seems to be an issue for every age group
25	low income house for families and seniors
26	more subsidized housing
27	decent low income housing
28	low cost supported rental housing
29	Options for home ownership for singles who don't make a lot of money
30	A housing co-op for low income residents. Assistance for seniors and the disabled to repair and maintain their homes.
31	We need more housing for low income families and homeless people.
32	Homelessness and seniors needing high end water front condos to downsize into . Over emphasis on ranchers is getting boring.
33	low income, decent housing
34	More assisted living for retirees and physical/mentally challenged. otherwise we are on top of it.
35	Providing good subsidized housing on a community level.
36	we need additional low cost rentals and community living situations for older adults
37	Low-income housing. Accessible housing. Affordable seniors housing. Mix various types of housing together to avoid creation of slums. Quality housing.
38	A rental facility for youth at risk
39	mixed age low-income housing support for young farmers to buy/develop land support to access CMHC funds
40	more affordable housing, especially for low income families

41 Mixed, green, affordable housing for seniors (support for seniors is deplorable). Let move beyond ghettoizing the aged and the poor and children.

42 Low income housing for all age ranges..youth, families and seniors

43 Co-operative housing and more low income housing. Homesharing program with seniors.

44 Affordable housing with reasonable taxes. Alternative options for ownership, such as cooperative communities.

45 We need subsidized rent more low income housing

46 affordable houses possibly co op housing,

47 Encourage the construction of decent, rental housing.

48 co-op housing

49 things look good to me

50 Establishing a city/region housing program for better coordination and to apply for funding to build and maintain subsidized housing

51 Housing for seniors and young families s/b priority. Realtors should really care about people's needs not just want to make \$\$.

52 Studies have shown we need more affordable housing in Powell River.

53 Affordable, assisted living for the elderly and for people with a mental illness.

54 More low income housing available

55 Affordable housing for those who need support

56 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

57 Additional housing projects for low income people. Offer incentives to contractors to build such units and encourage city to offer land.

58 house prices are attracting people wanting to retire, need support systems for more older residents

59 provide some housing for the poor. Some of the slum landlords should be made to clean up their places. Some of them are disgusting. Have standards!

60 More rental housing is needed.

61 More low cost housing rentals

62 low income housing

63 Our renters are horrible. Ask any landlord. Would Habitat for Humanity make a diff?

64 sustainable building materials/ cooperatives/

65 Affordable housing for seniors, disabled and mentally handicapped.

66 more low rental housing that encourages a healthy family environment

67 Relax prohibitions on rental suites in homes that are single-family residential.

68 Develop some higher end waterfront condos; use taxes collected to provide low income housing for youth who may be couch surfing.

69 -low cost housing for poor -safe,affordable housing for the elderly on small incomes -more assisted living spaces

70 A homeless shelter and perhaps a safe house for men.

71 Not driving up the price of real estate to a ridiculous level.

72 Reliable home inspectors

73 -encourage owners to offer secondary suites for rent

74 inspected homes which are rentals and priced accordingly we are not in the lower mainland

75 senior's housing-one level, easy access for handicaps,small square footage, in complex with communal gardens,meeting rooms, hobby rooms

76 ocean front condos may invite out of town investors

77 Keep homes affordable.

78 LOWrentals for seniors on pensions..We live below the poverty line . -

79 Comparable to outside PR housing prices and rents are much less in PR. Government supported rental housing. Church involvement

80 - stricter construction standards - accessible housing - lowincome housing

81 We need a shelter for the homeless. We also need low rental housing.

82 If this community is to thrive, there should be housing for all income levels, both struggling young families and luxury places for rich retirees

83 More low cost housing would be greatly appreciated by many.

84 No point in having housing priorities if people are unable to afford buying or renting due to lack of employment

85 Keep property taxes at an affordable rate

86 more subsidized housing especially for people with mental illness

87 Patio homes

88 affordable housing

89	More low income housing options. We are only building new expensive homes, and rental apartments are being converted to condos.
90	Programs that provide affordable housing. Help with rent to own programs, shame slum landlords.
91	Excellent in comparison to most other communities in BC.
92	Create job opportunities
93	More rental units that are affordable by people who make less than \$30,000 a year
94	safe and attractive public housing for seniors and young people, which would contain a central veggie garden and shared recreational opportunities
95	Federal funding restored for social housing.
96	Affordable low income housing
97	More affordable housing more diverse (life cycle) housing - not only single family homes with a garage! Build close to amenities!
98	Suitable seniors accommodation at all levels of care, as the demographic ages.
99	what kind of population do we want to attract? switch from a mill town to a tourist town...do we want to switch again?
100	Something for everyone ...
101	Well cared for rental housing - bylaws that require landlords to up keep properties, more housing like 'Lifecycle' on Ontario Avenue for young familie
102	affordable housing.. for seniors too
103	affordable housing for fixed income folk
104	More condos, townhouses.
105	Affordable housing for low-income workers. The jobs supplied in Powell River generally mean new families are working to come in below the poverty line
106	green housing homes for disadvantaged
107	More creative housing alternatives - carriage houses, co-op housing, land-sharing, house-sharing, densification needed! Smaller homes built.
108	affordable housing for seniors and young families
109	provide low cost housing for people who work here encourages them to stay in community. Seniors + challenged too also creates employment for young
110	help lower income families to save and set goals to purchaeseing there own home.
111	Repair grants
112	the working poor need housing more than welfare bums
113	Clean up some of the rentals that are rented for low prices so they do not attract as many drug dealers...
114	Habitat for Humanity Affordable housing projects based on need.
115	safe housing for seniors/low income and special needs
116	sorry I cannot do this
117	Get a Habitat for Humanity program here. We are all volunteers in this community.
118	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
119	Require owners of junk filled yards and lots to clean them up. Reduce home owner property taxes.
120	moresafe housing -- it becomes drug environments
121	more low income housing units out of town people buying housing driving up the prices of houses it is no longer affordable for middle class to buy
122	More senior facilities as our community is getting more and more retired people
123	Approve carriage houses Approve small-scale homes Approve smaller lot sizes Give tax decreases instead of increases for those who add rental units
124	Low income housing for people with mental health and addiction issues, and families with children on low incomes.
125	Safe, healthy buildings. Discounts on taxes for using less resources. Have a roof over everyone's head. Use empty, for-sale homes as temporary rentals
126	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
127	People on income assistance have few choices for safe places to rent. Low income housing and/or co-ops are needed.
128	Provide more housing for young families and now more than ever for our growing senior population.
129	Good housing for seniors who wish to downsize and want to live in a facility that can accomodate them as they age and need different levels of care.
130	affordable rental space for single people and families on income assistance
131	affordable, child and pet friendly housing; also allow homeowners to have quadroplexs etc without having to have special exams/liscences.
132	affordability
133	less large high cost homes

134 safe affordable housing

135 although housing is less pricy here the taxes are insane. In order for it to work here taxes on housing needs to be dropped..

136 More public housing of good quality and more apartments.

137 Jobs, jobs jobs! And not at \$12 an hour, either!

138 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!

139 Subsidized housing for the many, many low income people

140 Develop parts of Lot 454 for single family housing. Create a new road connecting Westview and Townsite to discourage the trains of traffic.

141 Low cost rental units for families and single adults

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

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

144 low income families/individuals ability to find affordable housing

145 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

146 families need steady work there is a huge range with prices (town seems very split btw locals and outside money, which mks market inconsistent)

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

148 We should have Habitat for Humanity here available for people who need it.

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

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

151 Building infrastructure for outlying areas to increase housing and development.

152 I believe decent and safe rental housing is a huge priority in our community

153 - keep taxes reasonable - stop building new vinyl sided houses ... use local wood

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

155 more low rental partially funded housing

156 Increase support for land/home ownership opportunities for prospective farmers.

157 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

158 upgrading and filling the buildings we have, instead of pushing new development.

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

160 Affordability

161 People think their properties are worth more than they are. When you compare powell river pricing to Vancouver pricing, 8/10 times vancouver is better

162 More housing for seniors and the mentally/physically disabled.

163 housing prices boomed 6 years ago, then dropped...nobody has lowered their expectations since..houses sitting 4 sale forever at ridiculous prices

164 Affordable, decent places for low income and/or people with disabilities.

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

166 affordable rental housing and local ownership

167 more safe low income housing, more sustainable housing projects

168 Affordable for the recent economy

169 Non profit housing like Life Cycles Seniors residences with varying levels of care

170 more accessible low income housing for people with disabilities or low-income

171 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.

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

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

174 build new, homes, Duplex's, Trailers, Hire natives

175 In Sliammon we are lacking good, decent homes. Providing people with ways to "own" their own home, as opposed to renting

176 keep rentals for single families affordable

177 We need to have more affordable appartments built specifically for low income ppl/families. Even seniors now require the same, as they are on pensions





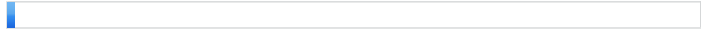
178 single dwellings for single individuals

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


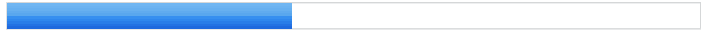



180	More affordable housing, restrict urban sprawl, more Extended Care facilities and retirement homes.
181	Not much low income housing. Lots of family homes available @ fairly affordable prices.
182	We need more supported (social) housing for disabled, mentally ill and other low income persons. Some are living in deplorable conditions.
183	Provide low income housing for families, along with single units for young people starting out, elders, and bachelors
184	Low cost housing. Co-op housing. Assisted living housing.
185	- Affordable low income/subsidized housing that persons on social assistance could actually pay with the \$360 a month that is allowed by the Ministry
186	Accessible housing for people with disabilities.
187	Assisted living for elderly, nursing home places and reasonable quality low income housing.
188	Full care facility
189	Identify areas that may be improved by "co-op" activities.
190	Too many houses are being sold, not rented out.
191	More low income housing.
192	Increase the # of units of government assisted housing while we are creating higher paying jobs so that we don't need assisted housing.
193	low income housing
194	clean, safe housing for families. How about encouraging co-op housing. We need places for the mentally ill, the disabled and the poor. Not ghettos.
195	Senior care Affordable apartments Fair taxation
196	low income housing; safe healthy community.

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: 	23	6.46%
GOOD: 	208	58.43%
FAIR: 	105	29.49%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	15	4.21%
POOR: 	5	1.4%
Total Responded to this question:	356	97.53%
Total who skipped this question:	9	2.47%
Total:	365	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: 	17	4.82%
GOOD: 	143	40.51%
FAIR: 	139	39.38%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	41	11.61%
POOR: 	13	3.68%
Total Responded to this question:	353	96.71%
Total who skipped this question:	12	3.29%
Total:	365	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	186	100%
Total Responded to this question:	186	50.96%
Total who skipped this question:	179	49.04%
Total:	365	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Wages that support young people saving for future training or are adequate for families to send children to university/technical schools.
2	Must have a larger public library. Public school libraries have to be better funded with professional librarians and better books.
3	the library is an issue, but should not be built on the old arena site
4	we need a new library
5	more awareness and community events
6	Supporting single parents with small children and pre-school education...as well as up to Grade 5. Mandatory reading and writing a priority.
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 in the place that is within walking distance for many residents &/or has adequate parking
10	New library
11	settle the new library location and BUILD IT! there is too much in-fighting and politics are getting in the way of a good solution
12	the committment from City Council and the Regional District to support and fund a new library... it is time!!!
13	Continue with the good work that is being done.
14	Require teachers to be in their actual class room available to students and parents from 8am to 5pm like other 40hr per week workers.
15	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....
16	new library
17	Library is deperately in need of relocation/rebuilding. Seems to be good exposure to literacy programs, Toastmasters and story telling club beneficial
18	Tutor support offered through alternative programs
19	we need a new library and newer books. with the advanced technology more will download books unless it is available.
20	good school teachers
21	New, expanded library Writing center Expanded VIU courses for credit
22	A higher priority for the library. Maybe more reading and writing competitions for students.
23	New library and new museum
24	Focusing on the Early Years and reaching the young affected by poverty issues and dis functional family life.
25	more help for those who fall between the cracks;
26	No child left behind is excellent mandate. Also adult literacy is crucial.
27	Young people who leave school early have abysmal skills even in computer use. This could be rectified with training provided by a community agency
28	Build a new library on the "old arena" site. Give all people access to a waterfront facility where learning, literacy and community are encouraged.
29	We need a new library; ORCA bus is great!
30	Current efforts are super but better funding and access are needed. many (local) adults are seriously under educated/ unemployable; a widening gap
31	better teaching in schools to encourage students to read - right now not an issue for teachers to ensure children learn
32	New library. Supports for preschools and daycares. More trades education.
33	ensure funding of early literacy programs is maintained and to provide more oppourtunities for upgrading for those who did not complete grade school
34	A bigger library.
35	We need a larger library. Smaller classrooms more help for children with difficulties
36	improvements to the library
37	education should be learner oriented ie hands on , school classrooms smaller, programs that lead to employment,
38	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.

39 a big learning centre with all kinds of services under one roof

40 Build a decent library - the present space is a disgrace.

41 More funding for education of all types. Learner-centred courses so that people learn through enjoying themselves while they learn.

42 We need a new Library.

43 We need a bigger, better library. It is LONG overdue

44 Get a better library space.

45 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.

46 learning is great but after you get education you have student loans to pay for . there is know good paying jobs to pay of student loans off

47 Library development of multi media and wifi access to all citizens.

48 VIU community classes & ElderCollege, and Recreation Center programs and facilities are good, library a great resource

49 A larger and improved library is needed, one with the space to hold more events and programs to support literacy outside of the school system.

50 Free education

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

52 intergenerational programs in schools

53 Set higher standards in the schools.

54 wouldn't a new library be great.

55 community needs to understand the need, recognize the problem we have, before it will commit to the solutions available

56 Build a new library NOW.

57 -concentrate on basic skills in first three grades -provide early assistance for slow learners -keep kids at same grade until they learn to read

58 A new library!!!

59 There are plenty of opportunities for young and old in the community for those who wish help

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

61 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!

62 -full steam ahead for a new library! -short term/one day courses for Joe Public through VIU/Complex could be expanded

63 new library, apprentice programmes, better facilities for the disadvantaged in school, we are not all University material

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

65 education available to all students need more tutoring available, something like a Sylvan learning centre

66 Keep both available to poor as well as rich.

67 Involve drop outss to get invoved with some kind of on the job training .

68 reach individuals when they are young

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

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

71 Would be nice if there was a decent university to encourage people to come to PR

72 continued support of library

73 funding for a new library

74 We need a new library. We need a cultural change that even resource based jobs are going to require an education in the future.

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

76 Expanding the library, keep offering courses at VIU and free tutoring.

77 Education and dissemination of information

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

79 Build a bigger and better supplied/supported library

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

81 Library is not welcoming(too small) for adults to come read and share with their children.In Kelowna libraries are close to arena's - better location

82 New library

83 New library, an inviting place for families. A place were people want to come. A positive learning environment.

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

85 continued promotion of literacy for people of all ages; ongoing support for programs that are currently in place

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

87 the long overdue library. Committed Community funding for Family Place & Orca Bus - which provide service for many low income families.

88 this ?aire is very frustrating ,with its 150 character answer limi! I'm putting this here so you'll notice it. Plus -- there should be Don't Know

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

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

91 A new library

92 Availability e.g. free workshops, access to volunteers, literacy to fit with individual needs. On going promotion through community and schools

93 Education is the key to success in most things. Offer more.

94 Support for the library. Expand programs for the gifted (not just the remedial special needs) in the school district. Develop post-secondary options

95 build a new library

96 That everyone could access education whether new immigrants, young, adult or senior. Develop programs and get information out make it acceptable to as

97 Awareness, coaching of potential tutors, space (new library?)

98 a library with children reading and writing activities. Library groups for young children and teens who love to read. develop book clubs for all age

99 Share our school libraries. there is no need for a new one

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

101 No, to the library at Willingdon.

102 Needs to be more support for children with behaviour problems. They have difficulty learning in a regular classroom and cause difficulty for other kid

103 A larger and more visible library.

104 education has gone away from the three R's. bring it back

105 their learning is good to go the Vancouver Island University

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

107 Smaller neighbourhood schools with good libraries in them.

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

109 Build a library

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

111 a bigger easier assessible library

112 NEW LIBRARY

113 a new library

114 let's expand our library and make it a real hub for literacy and learning in addition to more alternative spaces.

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

116 quality/commitment to SUPERIOR education required. PR laissez-faire about action to EXCEED status quo, should be an expectation of post2nd education

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

118 Encourage all to feel comfortable in their educational abilities, yet understand there are differences in level of understanding.

119 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

120 Basic literacy is being addressed here.

121 We desperately need a new and bigger library. We have been waiting for too long.

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

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

124 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

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

126 Advertising mentorship programs at VIU

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

128 continue





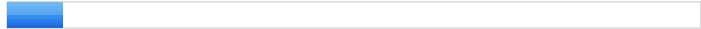
129 A new library! One that's easily accessible to all by car, bus, walking, wheelchair, walker, etc.

- 130 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
- 131 More focus on library, extended library hours, more programs for the illiterate/barely literate with topics that will attract them
- 132 New library and better support for children with learning disabilities.
- 133 The public library should be within easy walking distance from a mall
- 134 Continued promotion of literacy is very important. We have some excellent organizations doing good work. Make sure they are funded properly.
- 135 Build a library. Include a computer lab for the public. Schools increase the assistance to individual students.
- 136 A larger library!!!
- 137 Getting out of the moldy old library will help everyone's health. I pads for everyone so we can read anywhere. Adults should set good examples and READ
- 138 programing!!!!
- 139 library and orca bus great services in the community more linkages with people of literacy need and volunteers and employers
- 140 It should be FREE to anyone who needs it. There are people I know who are functionally illiterate.
- 141 More funding for schools, after-school homework help, counselling/peer counselling - children + adults, college residence, no fall-thru cracks
- 142 why is the library closed on sundays?
- 143 bigger better library!
- 144 a larger more fully equipped library with on going programs to encourage youth
- 145 The available space, ie at VIU, is not being used to advantage - we must make sure people are encouraged and assisted to achieve their L & L
- 146 - support a new library - the literacy initiatives appear to be great - support international students/exchange
- 147 it is time to build a new library, perhaps in conjunction with an existing facility
- 148 more support for children with learning disabilities which is maintained despite budget cuts; more variety of teaching styles to suit different kids
- 149 Improving library facilities and services.
- 150 ESL and easy access to VIU are good. Also Career Link and Model CP are excellent places and need to be kept active
- 151 upgrade public library, move to more central location (with art gallery?) contact Eva VanLoon for support and ideas (she does much work in literacy)
- 152 keep doing what we are doing...and get going on building the new library and cultural centre
- 153 Having programs available for individuals who need support.
- 154 There needs to be more encouragement for illiterate people to go to classes and groups to help them learn
- 155 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.
- 156 an expanded library
- 157 maybe think about replacing the decrepit old library and fund it better so we can have more books?
- 158 Open mind to adapt to computers for teaching
- 159 New library with inviting children's area, meeting rooms, sufficient shelf space, computer terminals.
- 160 a new library
- 161 BUILD A NEW LIBRARY!! NOW!!!
- 162 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.
- 163 Build a new library with lots of meeting and public space. Improve variety and accessibility of adult learning opportunities.
- 164 Need an improved library.
- 165 Build a stand alone library at the old arena site.
- 166 The new library, right downtown, with space and activities will promote people to drop in. Local jobs that require good literacy would be encouraging
- 167 learning centers reading groups to children -
- 168 engaging the families. Addressing the gap between on & off reserve children by using cultural and community oriented programs
- 169 Work with all local organizations to address community issues. Adult learning accessibility especially for those groups not readily represented.
- 170 A more inclusive and younger teaching staff with more emphasis on special needs including invisible barriers such as unacknowledged learning deficits
- 171 I would like to see teachers giving less home work for parents to do with their children in grade schools. Handwriting etc. is barely taught in class
- 172 Community input + feedback to the service delivery agent
- 173 Acessabiliby, cost. Does the community resource centre offer these programs? Seems like built in clients.
- 174 We need a new library with more space and updated technology.


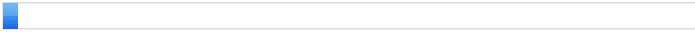



- 175 Library is small, need a bigger one. Better public education about importance of education.
- 176 We desperately need a better Library. More, appropriate space for more resources and additional programming is a great need.
- 177 Offer bus service @ 8:30am from Sliammon, return @ 3:00pm, to support those pursuing higher education/training
- 178 New library! Community centre.
- 179 The old library is too old, small and inadequate for the number of people using it.
- 180 The library is small. Not many activities.
- 181 An expanded library is needed.
- 182 A larger library and more local classes/courses (and/or courses relevant to Powell River) at Vancouver Island College
- 183 Build a functional library
- 184 Looking forward to the new library. It would be great join up with the Vancouver Island Regional Library.
- 185 Outreach. Free programs with easy access. Glossy posters do not do the job. Be realistic.
- 186 Improve the library Keeping kids, especially first nations, in school Identifying homes with problems

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: 	10	2.79%
GOOD: 	89	24.79%
FAIR: 	147	40.95%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	83	23.12%
POOR: 	30	8.36%
Total Responded to this question:	359	98.36%
Total who skipped this question:	6	1.64%
Total:	365	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: 	1	0.27%
GOOD: 	6	1.65%
FAIR: 	54	14.84%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	125	34.34%
POOR: 	178	48.9%
Total Responded to this question:	364	99.73%
Total who skipped this question:	1	0.27%
Total:	365	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:	265	100%
Total Responded to this question:	265	72.6%
Total who skipped this question:	100	27.4%
Total:	365	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	In PP, make bus use realistic. Vote NDP to restore ferries to public asset and reduce fares.
2	Resident discounts for ferries Only pay one way for ferry transportation Lower fares/subsidized by profitable runs More frequent buses daily
3	Provincial half price ferry cards for coastal residents. Build bridges. Same gas prices as on the Island. Build bike and walking paths.
4	Make the government understand that reasonable ferry rates are vital to our well-being.
5	Need a safe, well lit walking/biking path between Westview and Townsite and going up into Wildwood. Subsidized bus passes for low income people.
6	more public transit, more routes, more buses, set up car pools, ride-shares for people north and south of town
7	Reduce ferry fares
8	pr residents should be given a discount on ferries. ferry prices are too expensive & reduces the amount of visitors to PR Too. Reduce Ferry fares now
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	Make the ferries commuter based; don't add the fancy tourist stuff until summer months. Smaller, community buses. 12-20 seaters. Bike lanes.
12	Offer extended handibus service
13	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
14	long term plan for road access
15	Ensure we are heard about the need to keep ferry rates reasonable.
16	More smaller buses. Too many nearly empty large buses running around town.
17	stronger understanding of the ferry problems and more and stronger lobbying to the government for more stable ferry service. The ferries ARE ROADS
18	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
19	Rally was a good idea to voice our concern on fares. Nice to see transist being promoted and possible bike lanes.
20	vanpool?
21	Add more bus runs to North and South of town. Ferry costs need to be addressed. Comox ferry should be on Powell River side.
22	Two smaller busses that run in opposite directions continually on the marine/Joyce loop.
23	This is our highway we should NOT have to pay for ferry
24	Transit improving = good thing. InceasE frequency & efficiency of routes. Ferry fares becoming prohibitive. KKEP ADVOCATING - B/C IS OUR HIGHWAY
25	LOWER FERRY COSTS!!
26	increase ferry schedule- especially in summer & holidays - reduce ferry fares
27	Continue working to have Coastal Ferry Act revoked; cap union wages at all levels - they sap the economy and stifle new initiatives (in every area)
28	Work with gov to control ferry costs Ferry highway pass for locals
29	Give us a newer faster ferry, a special rate for residents, cheaper air fares
30	-we need more bicycle lanes/routes -there should be a designated walkway/bike lane from townsite to Westview along Marine Ave.
31	lower ferry rates.
32	better public transportation, control ferry costs
33	Even with current bus service, I still find it hard to get around to different parts of the city - and to Lund Need much more frequent bus service
34	Give some consideration to pedestrians when designing or repairing roads and public areas.
35	BC Ferries prices and service needs a major overhaul. Ferries with elevators that haven't worked in months are unacceptable. Prices are INSANE!

36 significantly reduce fares as this is our highway

37 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.

38 Maintain support for medical travel in and out of Powell River

39 less expensive ferry cost

40 Buses to outlying areas; meet ferry! Smaller buses would help reduce costs, more frequent service. Smaller ferry's and more frequent for same reason.

41 Provide residents with subsidies

42 Ferry service continues to be expensive, and rates continue to climb, while we hear of BC ferries providing huge incentives to the corporate executive

43 Reduce ferry fares. Give reduced rates to Powell River residents. Create bike lanes. Widen roads. Improve sidewalks. Smaller buses - increased hours.

44 A strong message to Victoria that the Coastal Ferry Act needs to be overhauled & ferry fares need to be controlled; ferry maintenance needs priority

45 subsidize bus travel(bus cost more than car) rope tow for bikes up hills ride exchange board subsidize ferry guarantee spots on Langdale ferry

46 affordable transit (including ferries)

47 Increase bus service (I know this is hard!) Walking corridors Road to Vancouver. Resident cards for the ferry (low's free)

48 more accessible bus service, bike lanes and a dedicated residents fare on BC ferries

49 This is our highway...why are we paying and paying for crappy service they are supposed to SERVE us build a bridge

50 People living outside of town have limited transportaion choices. No bike lanes- unsafe to ride beside highway.

51 affordability and accessibility

52 Lower ferry and airplane fares. Bike lanes. Car cooperatives. Smaller buses with cleaner fuel options.

53 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

54 Encourage cycling & walking. Offer cheaper prices for alternate transportation.

55 keep ferry prices affordable, provide bus service to Vancouver, encourage local shopping and retail service here

56 Affordable ferries and air transport. Development in the City and the Region which recognizes the importance of transportation.

57 Small buses and more frequent run. Bike lanes every where.

58 rideshare program, community carshare, more frequent public transit to outskirts, ferry subsidy for residents

59 shake up the whole damn system. REevaluate whether the ferries are a highway or a money making sector.

60 Push the province to re-build the highway in the cut and to Lund - it is dangerous! Continue to support the bus service. build good bicycle paths

61 Ferries should be public not private - costs s/b lowered. More public transportation of all kinds (small buses and car-sharing).

62 Need to lobby government to keep prices affordable. Coastal Ferries Act has to go.

63 Make sure our concerns are heard and responded to.

64 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

65 Continue to lobby government to accept that our community should not be in a user pay situation. We need provincial support.

66 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

67 Ferry fares need to be held in check, pensions and pay rates are not going up at the same rate as ferry fares.

68 Lower costs of Ferry services to an isolated community is vital for individuals but also for business.

69 ferry prices are getting too high for frequent travel, bus service not used to its potential,

70 I think the ferry expense is ridiculous. We should get one free ride, either in or out, just like Texada or the peninsula.

71 P.R. needs biking lanes everywhere. It should be free to take the ferry out of P.R. to the island.

72 The ferry situation is poor - less people will be able to travel outside of the community if the ferries do not become more affordable.

73 I think the ferry system is a part of BC highways and should be free like all inland ferries

74 lower ferry costs

75 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.

76 bike lanes/bike lanes/bike lanes

77 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.

78 Flat yearly fee for residence on the ferry. Drinking and driving at night I think is still an issue due to distance and taxi fares.

79 Fire David Hawn

80 Keep up the fight to have ferries considered part of our highway system, and therefore an essential service.

81 Reduce rates for powell river people

82 Replace island ferry; make resident fares more affordable (the sea is our highway).

83 -work for lower ferry fares -call for service small bus for evenings and weekends

84 ferries must be made essential service/ part of highways: commmuter trails/ green corridors should be developed

85 Allow for kayak docking and launching at the new terminal.

86 Wider divided sidewalk for walkers/bikers on Joyce. Put BC Ferries back in public hands with a return to reasonable fares.

87 Instead of offering crazy tax "cuts" to the mill, we could invest money in to helping our ferry service be more affordable. Bus service is improving

88 provide bikes paths and lanes so all the cyclists are SAFE, all over the region especially regional areas! smaller more frequent buses

89 Can't the buses be generally smaller? I do not see anyone encouraging nor creating alternates to cars.

90 -bike & carpooling needs infrastructure & encouraging -see previous ferry comment -is horse rides through power line a crazy suggestion ?

91 Seriously consider the road out, improve the airport, ask for resident cards for the ferries not a preloaded card, not affordable for many

92 lobby the provincial govt to chnge their policies on privatizing the ferry system

93 resident rates at a considerable discount

94 We all know that people are never satisfied with the wage they make so costs of ferries will go up. Fuel will kill us.

95 Get rid of high priced management .Fire David Hahn These ferries are our roadw

96 continue to provide public transit. Carpooling initiatives.

97 - road to the interior - improved rural bus system

98 A bus to Vancouver island on a regular basis. Lower ferry prices.

99 Reduce ferry fares. They are a barrier to bringing new people into the community

100 But my fingers are crossed.

101 Include ferries in the Dept. of highways and run them within that dept. They will never be free but could be funded as highways with tolls

102 It is very important to have access to places beyond Powell River at a reasonable price whether by ferry or bus. It is too expensive.

103 Ensure communications with BC Ferries are maintained. Lets look at ways to improve services on the ferries. We need to have more courteous staff

104 Restore government run the ferry service. Get people to use city buses. Extend runs to Saltery Baby (coordinated with ferry schedule) and to Lund.

105 Issue residency cards to get a break on ferries

106 we need to make the ferries our highway and not have to pay to go off the mainland.

107 buy locally - encourage people to create a stronger community for all kinds of reasons. Health care subsidy is great.

108 Ferries are our highways and need to be recognized as such. reduce cost or we will lose too much due to cost.

109 Fight to reduce ferry fares. Regular bus service in the out of town areas (ie. to Lund and south of town).

110 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.

111 We really need the ferries to be considered part of the highway system as is done in the Maritime provinces.

112 Good road conditions, subsidies for travel, alternatives

113 Provide reasonably priced ferry service as part of our highway system

114 An all-weather safe biking/walking route between Townsite and Westview. The Powell River - Little River ferry needs to be docked overnight in PR.

115 Ferries should be considered part of our highway and be better funded. Transit should run more often and later.

116 bike paths for both bikes and old people on scooters

117 buiild bridges

118 subsidized ferry fares for residents of communities which rely on them---they are our highway and we already pay highway taxes to the province

119 We need shoulders on all main roadways, designated bike lanes and multipurpose pathways. The ferries are a major concern, they will drive down tourism

120 Provincial government needs to commit to reasonable ferry rates.

121 More services needed to the Island for appointments, shopping etc

122 Hard to get out of the car if you live north or south of the city

123 Free ferry transportation for residents (we already pay 'highway tax'. An on-call taxi system instead of letting an empty buss drive.

124 Ferries are part of our highway system and need to be treated as such.

125 home berthing

126 Our community won't grow in a healthy and sustainable way without adequate & affordable access to medical care for everyone.

127 Set up better biking facilities for biking around town; better access to bus routes for people living outside the city; lobby gov't re ferry

costs

128 travel subsidies for the poor

129 Residents of Powell River or sunshine coast travel free.

130 Affordability and environmentally sound alternatives

131 create bicycle lanes on main routes. Heavily lobby the province to provide a reduced rate to local travellers.

132 ferry fares need to be affordable and the schedules need to improve. BC govt. needs to recognize ferry as our highway

133 encourage the BC Govt to treat the ferries as they do the roads, ie. fund them properly, instead of privatising and paying Hahn top \$ while there's no

134 CHEAP FERRY FARES! Subsidize if necessary. Texada residents can't afford the ferry to do anything in PR, arts, culture, sports, education included.

135 Frequency of bus service. This needs to increase. Not having to wait an hour for a bus will increase bus usage. Ferries? Don't get me started...

136 Better ferry rates, and sidewalks from Cranberry to town - I can't walk with my stroller safely into town, so I drive and increase my carbon footprint

137 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 ?

138 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

139 Make ferries affordable again. In town, build bike lanes, educate drivers about bicyclists (they deserve to use the road too), covered bike racks.

140 Improve the ferry system

141 Better bussing options on the Comox side:) day trips to appointments, shopping, connecting to trains/buses. Lower ferry rates for children 12 - 19

142 Try to get the same deal as the Kootenay lake ferry. We are part of the Provincial highway system

143 Car share, truck share, lobby ferries, expand transit, bike paths (including in the RD!), 'no-vehicle' corridors, bike share, outlets for electric car

144 lobby government to decrease ferry fees create bike lanes for commuting/pleasure

145 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.

146 Commuter cards for Powell River residents, better ferry service, or build a toll bridge or tunnel, cheaper air flights

147 fight to keep ferry rates down with good service still prvd. More bus to outlying areas of PR, Island +Van. Encourage bike riders and have safe lanes

148 Reclaim the ferry system as a SERVICE.

149 Get the Ferries working for Powell River Residents. Reduce the cost. Create a bus service to and from the Island. Develop something that works!

150 We need road access and we know that isn't going to happen any time soon. So lower ferry fares. They are our highways.

151 Encourage bus use and build bicycle routes

152 ROAD & Bridges to interior and bridges to Island. Bridges would be toll bridges until they are paid for then toll eliminated

153 locally-improve the bus service and increase ridership with incentives

154 Bike paths beside roadways from Westview to Townsite, around Cranberry Lake and Paradise Valley so it is safe. Keep increasing bus service

155 better and lower fares ferry service

156 lower the ferry rates

157 Cheaper ferry cost to visit family Nanaimo and Victoria

158 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

159 Lobby harder for lower ferry fares. Small shuttle buses to ferry terminals.

160 get a bridge or road to mainland. ferries are holding us hostage especially is on a low income

161 Massive cuts to ferry fares. Why should we pay to use our hiway. Allow dogs on public transit. I only drive because I take my dog to parks

162 make the ferries affordable -- local cards for residents

163 reduce ferry costs for residents of Powell River

164 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

165 get a road

166 Have smaller buses in town. they should run every 20 minutes,in the morning and afer 2.30 and have quick connections.

167 BIKE LANES, car sharing cooperatives, more and free buses. these solutions are all in use elsewhere, we are WAY behind on this.

168 People are resourceful: when motivated to get somewhere, they'll usually find a way. Set up carpool website & tips for screening riders/drivers

169 Reasonable ferry fares. There is assistance for medical appointments. we have ferry elevators that do not work and affect people with

	mobility issues.
170	Within PR, build with a smart-growth focus. Beyond PR, increase carpooling ability, but focus on providing resources here so people don't have to go.
171	Widen roads for bikes, meet with government re high ferry costs or look at road options
172	lower ferry fares.
173	Have more bus service north and south of town.
174	No cost for Ferries and road access to and from Powell River.
175	The ferry should be docked in Powell River. Affordable fares. Young people have moved away due to the cost and inconvenience of the ferry times.
176	work with government to get ferry fares lowered create bike paths bus scheduling more often especially during peak hours
177	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).
178	Build a bridge to Sea-to-Sky highway
179	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.
180	Bike lane needed on Joyce - sidewalk widened? and bike path on Marine from Ferry terminal to Grief Point
181	Affordable ferry service...or a road to Vancouver....more ferries to the island....ferries should be a service not a profitable enterprise
182	reduce ferry costs by returning the ferry system to the dept of highways
183	joyce avenue needs crosswalks at places between traffic lights. reduce ferry & bus fares for residents & low income
184	safer bike routes, more frequent bus and encourage alternative fuel use on cars where possible.. to many trucks in town.
185	Lower ferry prices
186	**** Push hard for a land route. I would rather pay a mortgage on a road (toll) than rent on a ferry. ****
187	1) Bicycle lanes!! 2) Recognize that ferries ARE our highway. Remember the cost of forging road to Whistler? Who paid?
188	More safe bike lanes Ferry travel already too expensive for most people. De-privatize it and make it part of highway system.
189	I am daily disheartened by the lack of pedestrian infrastructure, especiall around TC Mall (crosswalks and sidewalks for strollers would be great).
190	The Ferries should be an extension of our highway and should be free or heavily discounted for P.R residents! The V.I. ferry should be berthed in P.R.
191	reduce prices and increase times of travel
192	make government realize that the ferries are our highway and make them affordable
193	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.)
194	Ensure public transportation (bus) service is available at hours that work for seniors, employed persons and students.
195	LOW FERRY FARES!! - buses all day, everyday, all around town - lund, and south of town.
196	A sailing ship to Vancouver, with solar back-up!
197	More private businesses to provide to and from services. More buses north and south of town. Ferries berthed in Westview overnight.
198	use smaller buses more often. Frequency is the key to use!!! accessible schedule on every bus stop Ferries need to change schedule (ie reverse schedul
199	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
200	Ferry fares and cost of gas should not increase anymore.
201	Morer bus service, bicycle trails/lanes/routes, Fund person to create Ride-share program - in + beyond PR
202	we need some paved pathways for roller blading ie. willingdon beach trail and/or seawalk. many towns have a beautiful path.
203	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
204	construct road way /bridge or tunnel combination to connect to the lower mainland. We will never have control of ferry service or pricing.
205	Petition for reduced ferry fees for residents on routes directly related to Powell River (and all isolated communities).
206	The ferry is part of the highway !!!!!.We should not have to pay!!!! There is no road. The Kootney lake ferry is free!!!!
207	Protest, write letters, etc. to the Ferry Bd and the Government - maybe one day they will wake up & give the residents of PR a much deserved break.
208	more transit in the regional areas. only see transit for physically or mentally handicapped in these areas
209	-stop raising ferry fares - crippling our economy and negatively affecting our social wellbeing - we need to circulate and move around to keep vibrant
210	keep ferry fares to a minimum, this would help to improve the quality of life for residents
211	we need to keep ferry prices affordable to encourage tourism and allow residents out of area access
212	Continued advocacy for affordable ferry travel. Move beyond 'share the lane' signs and put in extensive bike lanes. Car free section once per month?

- 213 Free ferries for residents including businesses located in the community. Ferries are our highway! Safe bicycle paths along Highway 101.
- 214 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
- 215 subsidise ferries for residents public-use bicycles (pay w credit card, ie: Toronto) Bike lanes
- 216 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
- 217 try to keep ferry prices reasonable. People must also realize that we are a isolated community and in a way, we are at the mercy of the ferry costs.
- 218 the bus needs to run more frequently and later hours than it does now, and the ferries are way too overpriced, one of the highest in BC
- 219 We should have free ferry transport in and out of the Sunshine Coast as we are on a main highway.
- 220 ferry prices high, everything high..no tourists, small busineeses die(like this year)..none of us can afford to leave PR, so we just dont
- 221 Lower the ferry fares so it's affordable for everyone to leave town.
- 222 instead of hitch hiking have a local licensing system. drivers and riders are licensed. riders purchase tickets. Drivers exchange tickets for cash
- 223 1. ferries costs are unacceptable. we are likely moving to chilliwack because of the ridiculous increases. 2. better bike paths for safe biking
- 224 Better and affordable ferry services.
- 225 MOT should provide free oneway service
- 226 Increase rural buses Build a bike route system Promote a single carpool program for PR and beyond
- 227 bike lanes and bike paths reduce ferry fares
- 228 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
- 229 Accessibility. Or an alternate. BC Ferries monopoly - can we provide an alternative?
- 230 Establish that ferries are our highways and must be free. Establish cooperative and ridesharing ways of getting around. Increase public transport.
- 231 Build a road to Squamish.
- 232 Have electric vehicles in our bus fleet, more linking of bus routes.
- 233 Buses that can be counted on, with only a short wait, until midnight. Promotional activities to get people to try the bus.
- 234 Reduce ferry costs!
- 235 Resident discount cards for ferry or one way fares
- 236 lower prices
- 237 Accessible Tranit. Bus schedules that work for people outside the westview area. Help for those who need to travel outside PR ie rising ferry cost
- 238 Lower ferry costs, because unfortunately we can not build a bridge to the island + a highway through the mainland is too costly
- 239 Create services willing to address this need
- 240 We need to have more HWY contracts with big companies for hydro-line maintenance etc + build a HWY to Van for better job opportunities/less isolation
- 241 Access to transportation according to community needs and not according to budget.
- 242 As per my previous comment, it is time to focus on an alternative to BC Ferries. A road would change everything.
- 243 Continue to lobby at all levels of gov't.
- 244 The ferry service should receive government support and be considered as part of the highway, therefore almost free. Expand and lower cost of flights
- 245 Ferries are too expensive now have to pay both ways. More frequent buses to Sliammon.
- 246 More and improved bicycle lanes in the City as well as N. and S. along the hwy. The BC Ferry Corp. is not working for us, it needs to be changed.
- 247 Ferry Service negotiation to pay one way coming into Powell River, same as Sechelt People - cost is limiting people
- 248 Demand ferry costs figured as part of our marine highway not as profit for a private corp.
- 249 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.
- 250 Get ferry fares reduced and increase public transit, especially north and south of town.
- 251 Keep ferry fares affordable. ore bike paths.
- 252 Bike lane for seniors on motorized scooters
- 253 Road surfaces need to be safe for driving, walking & cycling. Ferry service must be maintained, perhaps subsidized.
- 254 Ferry fares go up too often.
- 255 Perhaps a private donation-funded community-run driving service to transport medical patients.
- 256 Better bus service. Ferry costs should be more affordable for residents of the area.





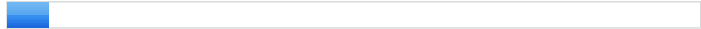
257	reduce the cost of ferries for residents of powell river
258	Reduce ferry fares
259	An expores bus from one end of Powell River to the other.
260	Build a highway to the interior.
261	Get those bike lanes in and subsidize BC Ferries.
262	small electric cars and scooters. our ferries are our highways, and as residents we should not have to pay a fortune to use them. low bus fares.
263	Encourage people to leave their cars at home by having better transportation options then exist now. Bike lanes, Open up Manson Ave. to thee highway.
264	Affordable ferries Connecting schedules Keep our bus system
265	Highway; Bridge; resident card for ferry rates, its our highway.

33.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	2	0.57%
GOOD:	104	29.63%
FAIR:	165	47.01%
BELOW AVERAGE:	57	16.24%
POOR:	23	6.55%
Total Responded to this question:	351	96.16%
Total who skipped this question:	14	3.84%
Total:	365	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: 	7	2.02%
GOOD: 	75	21.68%
FAIR: 	173	50%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	70	20.23%
POOR: 	21	6.07%
Total Responded to this question:	346	94.79%
Total who skipped this question:	19	5.21%
Total:	365	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:	174	100%
Total Responded to this question:	174	47.67%
Total who skipped this question:	191	52.33%
Total:	365	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	Develop and Emergency Response plan and practice as a community. Devote some money to warehousing some non-perishable supplies.
2	educate the public
3	I do not know what PR has in place for this.
4	Enforcement of rural areas where clearly drugs are being sold. Surveillance videos subsidized for business. More police to "walk a beat".
5	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
6	education practice sessions in residential areas
7	Public meetings re earthquake survival
8	are the bridges safe? what is the plan for earthquakes? are the volunteers ready and willing, and knowledgeable? where are the likely problems?
9	We need to look behind reasons of vandalism and source and deal effectively with situation not a blanket police approach.
10	Live webcams. Promote to tourists Powell River Live! lessen the criminal element if they might be live or recorded on video
11	Hot spots for drug activity need to addressed. Powell River needs to be above average in terms of disaster preparedness because of our isolation.
12	Perpetual offending students attend military-style bording school encompassing academics, exercise, and regular chores to support the communal livin
13	BERTH FERRY IN WESTVIEW. MOVE GAS/PROPANE TANKS out of RESIDENTIAL AREA. Emergency preparedness does good job but needs + pubic engagement/awareness
14	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.
15	Stop drug usage
16	Don't know enough about #34. Individual responsibility, including my own, is weak. Getting people out to PEP events/training sessions is key.
17	No response
18	shut down the known drug houses.
19	-we need more high profile community projects which target these problems and ask concerned citizens to be involved. -take social issues seriously!
20	stiffer sentencing for abusers of children
21	There is apathy here, just accepting that there is a segment of the community that does drugs - we need to have zero tolerance for hard drugs
22	Education. Maybe a stronger police presence.
23	Our isolation is a major issue. Our ability to evacuate in the event of a forest fire is non-existent. If we were Slave Lake we'd be toast.
24	Just had one bout of vandalism at Dinner Rock . More visible effective police presence.
25	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!
26	Provide training and access to jobs outside Powell River, as well as addiction services. Poverty is responsible for many of our problems.
27	Police should be more proactive and community-minded. Some emergency work is done, but needs to get to the community members
28	Become more self-sufficient. Grow food. Learn survival skills/first aid. Have an emergency plan & practice it. Zero tolerance for bullying.
29	Emergency plans need to be developed for all areas and then widely communicated
30	close the education gap, prevention vs punitive response, focus on children's rights/ UN resolution
31	evacuation plan? what would we do in case of forest fire that would devastate the city?
32	Earthquake preparedness. Food security. We need to be able to feed ourselves.
33	dont know
34	Emergency preparedness workshops. Importance placed on food security.
35	Community plan in place
36	Increase amount of locally grown food.

37 Haven't a clue

38 More information given to the community should there be an earthquake.

39 INFORM THE public regarding question 34, I feel safe in this town,

40 City needs a better emergency coordinator and a better plan - major dramatic practices are not helping the people learn any skills.

41 Support development of local emergency plans so people in each district and block have a plan to look after themselves while waiting for official help

42 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!

43 We continue to have mock disaster to ensure preparedness in a disaster. Need new Fire Hall.

44 We need Regional District plan as well as the Municipal one

45 We should create an umbrella emergency committee to coordinate and oversee in the case of an emergency. this committee should have authority.

46 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

47 Wish I knew!

48 thefts go unresolved due to limited investigation, graffiti isn't removed promptly encouraging more,

49 Get the little skate boarders OFF the ROADS, NOW!!!

50 support the new youth resource centre

51 Do we have a community plan for dealing with a catastrophe such as an earthquake? If so, I and I'm sure many others have no idea what it is...

52 More drills

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

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

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

56 Provide on-going information to the population regarding services available during major emergencies.

57 upgrade structures needed to support the community in an emergency; fire halls, areas to house/feed people, availability of local electrical power

58 Be more aggressive in enforcing laws applicable to drug pushers and users.

59 -on the job and in the school training in first aid and emergency procedures

60 If something major happens, how is a community of 20000 people who are dependent on food shipping in, expected to eat?

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

62 -continue to work away at the underlying causes for poverty, addiction -engage youth in society -discourage dangerous industry (eg LNG)

63 am unaware of what we have so no opinion

64 Stronger encouragement and education to tell people about emergency preparedness

65 flyer to each home with emergency plan outline specific to Powell River where our trauma centres are etc. what

66 We are pretty safe and secure here.

67 Need to focus on vandalism, immediately cleaned and fixed. Drug situation has improved in community. Educate the young about value self, community.

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

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

70 We should be able to contact Police in Powell River and not be routed to the Island for one thing! Police should be patrolling more

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

72 Continue to inform people re disaster planning

73 Crack down on poor driving habits - failure to stop at stop signs, use signals and speeding

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

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

76 We need to support the Community Resource Centre, which supports marginalized people in our community. We need a campaign for emergency preparedness.

77 Poverty is the root of anti-social behaviour.

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

79 Too many druggies, drug houses. Too many out of control kids doing damage, hanging out...

80 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?

81 Police officers that are trained

82 More education.

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

84 education; encouraging community preparedness by neighbourhood

85 information of what services can be accessed

86 Create jobs, increase better transportation in and out of Powell river.

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

88 The COPS program was very successful in reducing crime - is it still going? Engaging youth is a difficult endeavour - maybe talk to the kids?

89 ferries contd. Push for an elevator on the ferries- each of them. the pop. is aging, and portapotties are a short-term fix. Upstairs good food might h

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

91 The people of Powell river will pull together in an emergency. I'd rather be here than anywhere else.

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

93 Education in the event of a major forest fire

94 Specific information re: what happens when...e.g. earthquake. Siren/meeting places not generic but specific. Tsunami sirens not recognised in Tofino

95 Further develop local economy for food energy and goods.

96 Battle the drug culture, and the crime element

97 More information on what to do in emerg situations. More volunteer training programs make it visible and often

98 Build post disaster buildings for emergency services

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

100 Safety plan in case ferries (aka food supply) is cut off in an emergency such as an earthquake.

101 Increase funding to Youth Resource Centre, sports and culture activities and rec complex to keep youth active and busy. Youth nights at school gyms

102 Have the police office open to the public like it was many years ago

103 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.

104 more public phones for those of us who do not have cell phones.

105 more police patrols at night when drunks and vandals are active.

106 more of everyone keeping their eyes open

107 more help inside our community for drug and alcohol related problems

108 gathering places made public, education to wider audiences.

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

110 We don't truly know what will happen so focus should be on family units, home, local neighbourhoods, caring for one another.

111 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.

112 have police work on drugs and dealing and vandalism

113 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 water

114 Education, education, education

115 Is there a cohesive emergency plan? Have never seen one published. Have emergency services installed a common radio frequency in their radios?

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

117 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

118 Have a community plan and make it available to the residents.

119 Congregation or refuge areas pre-planned and posted for major emergencies.

120 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

121 Little anti-social behaviour in town Each neighbourhood needs a specific emergency plan and leaders for likely scenarios, not generic plan

122 Get rid of all the tacky graffiti everywhere! Provide better things for youth to do. RCMP should patrol more at night.

123 encourage small neighbourhood gatherings

124 Do we have a plan if there is an earthquake in townsite, cranberry, etc, and has it been mailed to all residents.

125 -get crazy ppl off the streets, cops actually doing their jobs busting the ppl that should be busted not the ones that shouldnt






126 I feel safe living here for 50+ years.

127	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
128	big business should be more accountable for clean up & restoration of our community. (Mill spills This town is not prepared for any catastrophe (FOOD?)
129	immediate access to addiction and detox services weekly community court and restorative justice process for youth and mental health issues
130	Residents must be educated and notified of the ways to deal with major emergencies. Residents must be provided or required to have Emergency Kits.
131	RCMP should actively pursue known places/people who use/sell to minors/adults; Anti-racism at school, work; Hire minorities, youth, poor. Emerg drills
132	have an evacuation plan
133	make more people aware of how to survive a disaster
134	Public education sessions, check-lists to each household, & information in brief form so that people will read and participate in safety & security.
135	maybe have 'drills' that the entire community can be involved with {earthquake, tsunami, major forest fire}
136	not sure - I feel safe and secure -
137	more local growers and producers, for food security
138	Mixed unit housing; support the ongoing operation of the Youth Resource Centre (YRC).
139	an all service emerg. group and lots of practice for both groups and residents of PR
140	encourage local farming, and local shopping decrease dependency on walmart, safeway, etc
141	better information on the emergency preparedness plan
142	where to begin...
143	More things for people to get out and do so they wont go and do drugs and cause trouble, and make the community more aware of what is going on
144	Educate people in case of emergencies.
145	I'm not sure what is in place now. We need some specific information meetings in community spaces
146	Addiction center for women
147	Equip Gathering points (fire halls, community centres) with emergency gear Train volunteers in First Aid and emergency response
148	need independent reviews of RCMP policies/mandates, behaviours/conduct/complaints. People no longer trust those who are meant to protect us.
149	Education. Desperate people do desperate things. Meet the needs. Educate - show the alternatives not condemn the problem.
150	Improve civil preparedness and education. Develop community organizations and places for youth to work and play. Make us all responsible for ASB.
151	Community involvement in security, ie Block Watch
152	Education.
153	Public information pamphlets. Encourage local markets to provide local food. Easy access to local food product venues
154	Good police patrols.
155	awareness workshops
156	Education on earthquak preparedness. Address the concerns of people living near dangerous homes where criminal activity takes place ie drug dealers
157	Still too many drug dealers in Sliammon, not enough enforcement! Services should be more available - discreetly, for those seeking rehab.
158	More drug awareness training at a younger age and a major provincial and federal initiative towards decriminalization of drugs & services for rehab
159	More OH+S programs at work + school. More physical drills related to same.
160	Designate a "safety area" for north + south of town/regional districts
161	Stage mock events, engage public.
162	Remove propane tanks from harbour. Develop food security by encouraging agriculture and farming. Protect fish habitat in wetlands, streams and lakes.
163	Too many drug dealers. Hit them hard and get read of them.
164	More on drug prevention, busts, etc. Drugs are big problem in PR. PR does good planning. SFN could do way better.
165	I believe some of the anti-social behaviour could be remedied by better mental health interventions and supports. ie for FAS
166	Keep working at educating the public
167	There are a lot of drug dealers in this town.
168	Don't know
169	We are, individually, used to being self-reliant. Need to look towards more community-based support.
170	There should be more teaching on what to do and where to go in case of an emergency.

- 171 Get drug addicts into rehab centres.
- 172 Keep the bears and cougars out of the community.
- 173 Regular drills for earth quakes. Help low income people with costs for earth quake supplies. Work on alcohol
- 174 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.

36.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	84	23.33%
GOOD: 	224	62.22%
FAIR: 	45	12.5%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	5	1.39%
POOR: 	2	0.56%
Total Responded to this question:	360	98.63%
Total who skipped this question:	5	1.37%
Total:	365	100%

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

		Responses	Percent
Responses:		294	100%
Total Responded to this question:		294	80.55%
Total who skipped this question:		71	19.45%
Total:		365	100%
37. What has contributed most to the quality of life in Powell River?			
Response	Response Text		
1	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.		
2	Variety of cultural experiences outdoor activities (camping/fishing/hiking/kyaking) Acceptance/tolerance of community members		
3	As a benefit? It would be the location and the scenery, the geography.		
4	The climate and surroundings.		
5	Low crime. easily accessible natural beauty. Reasonable rental prices. Lots of free and low cost activities. Friendly people. No 'class' stratificatio		
6	Friendly community people, lots to do, clean air, being by the ocean, lots of nature, affordable arts and entertainment, no commuting for me!		
7	natural beauty; good people		
8	friendly people, beautiful places to visit		
9	friendliness of all the people		
10	outdoor recreation, small town feeling		
11	People care, they wave, they volunteer, and most are respectful. Businesses work hard, charity and giving are foremost for the majority of people.		
12	Friendly residents.		
13	hiking trails. low car emissions low traffic		
14	friendships , geographical position, arts & culture		
15	Safety, low crime, etc.		
16	The Creator. Great climate, beautiful surroundings, natural resources.		
17	Climate, friendly citizens. Academy of Music. Complex.		
18	the ORIGINAL philosophy of the ORIGINAL mill owners the multi-cultural backgrounds the fine arts that WERE in schools and community		
19	the people, isolated location, weather		
20	The beauty and natural surroundings that are sacred and precious, that we need to hold in our hearts as stewards of the earth.		
21	Slower pace than other places. Lots of community spirit and pride in our community. Everyone wants PR to be its best and continue to be progressive.		
22	Natural beauty and recreation. Recreation complex. Development of internet to access services and education.		
23	our beautiful scenery		
24	community spirit (compassion, generosity, caring, self-initiating, strong advocacy, creativity etc) people - friends - natural beauty - peace -		
25	The town is still very friendly. Always has been. +the ocean, lakes, sports etc.		
26	Location, view, people, etc.		
27	Arts and culture/service organizations		
28	Isolation from big city, excellent medical care, relatively inexpensive housing, strong emphasis on local food production		
29	Fresh air in most areas of town Good water Local food		
30	the slow pace, politeness, courtesy		
31	-the beautiful nature all around us -the sense of community spirit the amazing arts, theatre and music scene		
32	Clean air and water-the beauty of our environment, good people		
33	size of the community is good. Good cross-section of people. PR seems to be accepting of differences/diversity compared to other places		
34	The friendliness and positive attitude of the people The many music events offered by the Academy The location: ocean, lakes, mountains, forests		
35	A feeling of community. the level of volunteerism		
36	The environment. Interesting people.		
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 Scenery, Music and culture, Education system , Farmers Markets

40 fresh air and places to play (hike, swim, fish)

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

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

43 weather, views, good job

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

45 The natural beauty of the area.

46 the fact that we are so isolated we do not have the crime levels of more accessible cities

47 Education and employment resulting in relatively low crime rates which result in a feeling of security

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

49 the natural beauty and friendly residents

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

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

52 lakes oceans feeling safe in a small community everybody knows everybody friends and family

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

54 Rural living

55 Nature and surrounding opportunities to be in and enjoy nature.

56 Lovely area, nice people

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

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

59 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.

60 Our natural environment.

61 slow pace, welcoming community, lower cost of living, natural environment and climate, ability to grow and raise food

62 good people, beautiful place

63 Great people, many of whom have come recently to live in Powell River and a great location for music, kayaking and hiking

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

65 the natural beauty, golf course, good hospital

66 Our surroundings.

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

68 clean air and clean water good schools

69 natural beauty

70 the people as individuals churches schools

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

72 Music

73 Our setting and surrounding areas are spectacular. We have a rich cultural community. We have sports in abundance. Govt. is accessible.

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

75 The access to the mountains and lakes. Trails for hiking and biking and the information to learn about all off it.

76 fresh air-hiking, biking, walking trails arts and music excellent treatment of our special needs adults and we are working on discrimination issues

77 People are so active in this community - volunteers are what make this a great place to live. Also, people actually care about what the city does.

78 the mill cutting down emissions

79 Friends and family

80 The woods.

81 Small population, Kathaumixw, access to trails

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

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

84 We live in paradise. Air quality is great, climate is good, access to the great outdoors, great facilities for children, lots of great doctors.

85	the people and natural surroundings which are shared well, accessible and there aren't too many rules
86	friendly people, tight knit community
87	climate
88	Good air quality, good water quality, less crime than major centres, good climate and relative remoteness promotes great quality of life.
89	the outdoors
90	Weather, forests, lakes, ocean, trails, complex, Academy, schools
91	The people.
92	Fresh clean air, low pace life style. low crime rate
93	The people
94	relatively low cost of living (aside from taxes); excellent access to outdoor recreation
95	Easy going nature of people.
96	Sense of a small community, fair priced real estate, and a good community for those with young children
97	the willingness to learn new and innovative ideas, we are lightyears ahead of others in some areas. even this survey!
98	Increasingly diverse community as well as a sense of being an important part of the community.
99	BEAUTY all around Music programs from cradle to grave
100	-health of natural surroundings -relative affordability -feeling of potential
101	climate good neighbours country living slow development
102	volunteers ! there are dozens and dozens of organizations in sports, arts, culture,churches,etc who depend totally on volunteers
103	definitely the seaside setting
104	Being a retired senior, the wages made during the good times in Powell River in the past.
105	A good job with good pay.
106	beautiful place to live, look how many people are coming here from all over
107	Quiet, low crime, unique, not over run by big box stores, appreciate small businesses, buying food directly from the grower, & know where it comes fro
108	-people willing to work togethee - those who embrace ideas of others as well as thier own
109	Splendor of nature. A good circle of friends and a church family.
110	Natural beauty
111	Concerned people, with my well being in mind.
112	There is something for everyone
113	No crowds; no traffic; easy access to beautiful beaches and lakes
114	The friendliness of the people, the welcoming attitude of the neighbours, the easy of life and the amazing environment
115	compassion, cooperation
116	Freindship
117	PR is a welcoming community
118	clean air
119	Happy content and peaceful countenance of locals - community pride and peacefulness is AWESOME.
120	affordability of housing, natural lifestyle and low crime
121	People are friendly, the town is clean, there is an abundance of things to do.
122	A good full time job, a house, good health. A friendly supportive community.
123	Beautiful nature, access to health care, low crime rate, grocery stores, buses, decent schools, clean water to drink and swim in... we are blessed
124	The scenic surroundings, pace of life.
125	The existing outdoors environment, weather.
126	The people and the climate
127	The ability to be out doors for free.
128	Location and career
129	location, weather
130	space, lack of congestion, clean air and water.
131	arts, culture and friendliness of the people. beauty of the location
132	great drinking water, low priced real estate, great trailways and hiking
133	The welcome and sense of belonging. The geography.
134	Nature so close at hand, and free!

135	Natural environment Friendly people
136	Variety of activities (sporting, leisure, cultural).
137	nature
138	A non-homogeneous group of wonderful folks, an eclectic group of traditionalists and radical thinkers. And the sunsets.
139	the outdoors; nature; access to hiking/biking/water, etc; beautiful surroundings; nice community
140	cost of housing size of community
141	Lack of large city status
142	Poor wages, no jobs,bad service,expensive transportation system.
143	the beautiful natural surroundings that we have here !!!
144	Individuals who volunteer their time to make things happen. Curling club, Kathaumiwx, Earth Day, Sea Fair, Blackberry Fest, Big Bike race,
145	the people who live here make Powell River such a special place to live.
146	close access to wilderness and wonderfully maintained trails for me
147	Natural surroundings.
148	The natural surroundings. Friendly people. Sense of community and family.
149	A great sense of community, a home, a sense of belonging.
150	All the little people, from small business owners to the seniors who still volunteer.
151	environment, safety, general well-being, accessibility
152	the people and the environment
153	Community spirit. People being supportive of so many different activities/events
154	The people and their willingness to act to improve the quality of life for each other.
155	Arts and Culture, affordable outdoor recreation, low housing costs, sense of community, geographic isolation providing safety for kids, hospital.
156	feeling of community - friendliness, security, safety
157	For me - good job, close to the out doors, weather is reasonable.
158	The people
159	A healthy community, mixed groups of people, caring volunteers,all programs, the great outdoors. The history + the value people place on protecting it
160	Community services, amazingly strong desire in many people to make things happen no matter how much effort it takes.
161	Small community, isolated from larger city. Great safe place to raise your children. lots of local free beaches parking swimming.
162	Our relative isolation, the beauty of our surroundings & temperate climate; our economic history & proximity to an historic First Nations community.
163	Access to the back roads & trails
164	nature
165	One's own attitude!
166	healthy environment, laid back lifestyle, access to inexpensive and first rate recreation and culture, friendly people
167	How safe and beautiful it is as well as the opportunities to join many different groups. (choirs, dance groups, rotary etc.)
168	Natural beauty of the area (lakes, ocean, forests) Quiet well serviced community
169	the availability to get away into the outdoors easily
170	affordable housing, sea walk, sunshine coast trail, events at Willingdon Beach events, golf course, putting course tennis etc.
171	The view of the ocean from most of the homes
172	Small town, friendly people, closeness of neighbours(knowing them), availability of teachers and local doctors.
173	keeping land-grabbing developers at bay. Farmers feed the land. Protect and promote agriculture, clean water and clean air.
174	the ocean, the people, wildlife, climate
175	natural beauty, affordable housing and access to cultural events
176	more things for reasonable rates for entertainment
177	location and friendly people
178	no through traffic more green space then in cities
179	Great hiking trails. Good hospital facilities. Good recreational facilities. Cultural events. Friendly people
180	the people
181	Friendliness of people and all the volunteers that are involved in so many worth while venues.
182	Mild winters.
183	the forests and space that, despite heavy logging, still abound. the rich arts community.

184	Seaside location Boating opportunities Hiking trails Friendliness of the residents Affordable home Convenience of services No relatives here
185	proximity to nature
186	Caring people, good educational opportunity, the arts and culture scene, and our back country access to all the nature Powell River has to offer.
187	Safe environment, outdoor and cultural activities, clean and abundant water, clean air.
188	Availability of greenspace, community organizations, friendliness of people, isolation.
189	the good clean air and environment we get to live in
190	Beautiful scenery, peaceful way of life
191	Good place to raise kids, people are friendly and kind.
192	The beautiful surroundings and access to recreational opportunities. Lack of traffic and noise. Quiet, friendly community.
193	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 peopl
194	Great caring friendly people. Lots of outdoor activities. Recreation complex.
195	environment access to recreational activities
196	nature, job
197	The ocean
198	The people. Watching out for each other.
199	Make neighbourhood businesses truly considerate of their neighbours...restrict lighting of business, pick up the litter of products they sell
200	small town, arts and culture oportunitites, volunteerism opportunities
201	location
202	ocean fresh water and the ability to grow our own food, lower the cost of living and everyone would be happy, a happy town will prosper.
203	The forests and the ocean and the friendly people.
204	Slower pace. Beautiful area. Nature. Safety.
205	trees, water, space, relative absence of pollution
206	People
207	Nature. Community. Arts & Culture.
208	Close access to lakes, trails, mountains and ocean of course!
209	getting to know people and participating in volunteer activities
210	the people
211	Our beautiful natural surroundings which we need to cherish and maintain. Need to work on poor road conditions to our lakes and hiking trails.
212	The people, I grew up here, kindness, generosity of neighbors, a feeling of safety.
213	- the beauty, preservance of forest - nature and wildlife
214	All the lovely walking trails!
215	Hiking on forest trails, breathing in ocean air, fvisiting with riends and cafes, gardening, learning, young people with new ideas, Open Air Market
216	The Location.
217	Beautiful surroundings, nature.
218	Ocean, forests and mountains. Opportunities for physical activity are endless
219	communtiy groups and volunteers
220	the people are friendly the housing although all over the map is affordable
221	the community members, environment and wildlife and food resources
222	Peaceful, not crowded, knowing your neighbour, accessibility to hospital, schools, supermarkets, banks, recreation, parks, and the church.
223	Spirit, hard work and programs developed by volunteers, social agencies, and open-minded businesses and leadership. They need more support.
224	lower cost of living than the cities
225	the setting, the sense of caring in the community, and the cultural activities
226	safe and beautiful
227	Affordable housing. Strong sense of community.
228	The caring people.
229	Nice beaches, no rush hour
230	less pollution, fewer vehicles on the roads the pace is so much slower than the city - less stress

231	- local food and business endeavours - creative new energy from new residents coupled with history of long time residents -pride such as the PR King
232	the natural beauty and the temperate climate, makes for a more contented population friendly, caring people
233	The area in which we live, good climate, lots of sports and culture.
234	Great air quality....great jobs....wonderful neighbours/friends....unbeatable view!!
235	affordability
236	activities for my children, climate, natural beauty, availability of most services in an easily accessible small area
237	The people who live here are generous with their time, knowledge, and general support for one another.
238	The people who live here who contribute their time and expertise to all facets of community life.
239	Lots of places to walk around, less noise, but no job no money less quality of good food
240	Arts and Music natural environment, out-door activities, climate supportive and welcoming community affordability of housing
241	location
242	agriculture, the beauty, hard working people.
243	the view and the weather
244	The focus on arts, culture, and locally grown foods although it is a shame we do not have a fish market or a weeklong market....
245	I feel more relaxed here, less stress. I have gained many new friends and I have a beautiful view of the ocean. This is heaven.
246	the view, the weather, the people in the community..not city hall, or any of the officials, or the crooked dealers who make the decisions here.
247	Clean air, affordable housing, ocean, lakes, hiking, etc.
248	nature
249	the trees & ocean
250	Fresh air and lots of open spaces and walking paths
251	People
252	Our environment- abundance of outdoor opportunities and clean air, soil, and water
253	good access to outdoors easy to get around
254	Seaside/mountain setting, housing affordability.
255	Our mild climate and the friendly people of Powell River.
256	The people. Per capita there are amazing resources. Draw back is probably work opportunities and the need to loose young people for it.
257	Oyr beautiful setting and the wonderful people who live here.
258	Fresh air, laid-back lifestyle, local produce.
259	Shutting down the Kraft Mill. Building the Sea Walk.
260	Natural beauty
261	The wonderful spirit of the community. We have been made very welcome here.
262	lifestyles
263	Accessibility to natural areas, wildlife, hunting, fishing, etc.
264	Excellent hospital facilities, no stress for traffic, lineups for amenities
265	People are mostly friendly in PR
266	It's natural beauty and the environmental changes across Canada that limit pesticides and other toxins & mill emissions
267	Public events like Seafair + Blackberry Festival help keep us "community-minded" + happier
268	Scenery of our coast line. Access to
269	The natural beauty we are surrounded by.
270	The resilience of the people.
271	Nature, walking trails, access to beaches, forests, lakes and streams with clean water and wild animals. Affordable housing, VIU, Academy of Music.
272	Family
273	The environement. The people - always welcoming.
274	Powell River is a small friendly community powered by committed volunteers in all areas of activities.
275	People in various areas have profited in Powell River while poor people are still experiencing limitations
276	small community, friendly people, lots of volunteerism, beautiful natural setting (hope it stays that way--but think its taken for granted)
277	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.
278	being retired and not having to look for work

279	Beautiful location
280	Small town feeling.
281	Affordable houses, good sense of community, beautiful natural setting with enough geographical isolation to keep the town unique.
282	The people and location and affordable housing
283	Low crime (violent), low cost of living, tolerance of/to most everyone.
284	Growing up here.
285	Friendly people. Can-do attitude. Volunteer networking (groups that band together to extend their resources).
286	The beauty. Clean air. People are friendly and helpful.
287	safe community, close knitted community, available decent paying work, lots of hiking, complex,
288	Access to great outdoors, good medical services, fine churches, emphasis on the Arts and influence of the Academy of Music.
289	The natural environment surrounding Powell River.
290	Safe place for families. Slower pace of life. Community spirit.
291	the scenic surroundings, outdoor activities, arts and culture, small town, not much traffic, friendly people
292	Good neighbours
293	For me it is access to the outdoors, hiking, music, affordable housing, good physicians and health care, size of city.
294	physical beauty; some caring, loving people

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?

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	173	100%
Total Responded to this question:	173	47.4%
Total who skipped this question:	192	52.6%
Total:	365	100%

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Response	Response Text
1	Getting a full time job that pays fairly well.
2	film festival/Texada Sandcastle weekend/Camping options
3	upgrading/refacing the Westview ferry harbour area. Much much more is needed in order to drive the tourism industry and make PR sustainable.
4	Nothing I can think of.
5	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.
6	changes to bylaws/legislation that allow local producers to grow, butcher and sell meat to the community.
7	nothing in particular
8	Emissions control at the Mill, maintaining a great hospital and health care.
9	Revitalization of the Crossroads Mall, new box stores, and noticeably improved customer service lately.
10	lower plastic bags in stores - taking our own bags
11	keeping the old arena site agreement to build a new intermedite care facility cat scan
12	Can,t think of anything
13	schools are beginning to encourage students to more participation in the community, the environment, the ecology
14	increased bus service in town
15	I would like to say the harbour, I am looking forward to the finished product to hopefully wow tourists as they get off their boats or ferry.
16	met a great man. bought a house.
17	The development of the Youth Resource Centre. I also think council's decision to not change the zoning on the old arena site is beneficial.
18	A wood-burning neighbour moved which allows us to enjoy our property. Don't know if burning is reducing throughout the city, though. Should be banned.
19	NOTHING!
20	The beginnings of taking bikes into serious consideration as part of the transportation system. Keep it going!
21	Quality Foods - showed what support really is - gave as well as took
22	Accessiblility to good healthy local food
23	-Food Security projects and education -alternative movements in the arts (i.e. CJMP), eco-awareness, sustainability conversations
24	CRC (I work there), the start-up of the youth centre
25	recycling
26	Increased bus service.
27	More local food production . Attempts to clean up some of the dreadful neglected spaces in our town . We should all be working together on this.
28	more bus service
29	Better shopping choices; locavore movement. new harbour will be awesome.
30	Skills Link youth programs. Community Resource Centre. Youth Resource Centre. Local food movements. Removal of decaying buildings in Westview.
31	improving the harbourfront
32	Beginning waterfront improvement. Making decision about where to build library. Starting improvements on roads north of town.
33	Personally, getting a job that pays well and matches my skill set. For the community: substantial amounts of gov't funding for projects
34	Commoners! Young families choosing PR! Great food security actions
35	David Parkinson and Kevin Wilson, ratepayers and chamber of commoners, the Farmers Market.
36	Newer books in the library and better use of space. Later bus schedule. More arts businesses opening.
37	I am new but I like Powell river Living and the local paper,
38	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.

39 powell river food security project

40 I can't but some things risk the quality of life such as plans to build a low tech sewage plant close to homes, high taxes but overtime for city mgrs.

41 The ESL Settlement Assistance Program for newcomers Youth centre

42 Kathaumiux 2010

43 silly question

44 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.

45 Marine Avenue beautification project Waterfront project (still in progress)

46 Building to bring more people in and create more jobs. Building the sea wall and widening the streets, but please put bike lanes in!

47 youth community centre-need a youth hostel now sharing surplus food

48 The purchase of a CAT scan.

49 Quality foods.

50 The energy of relative newcomers willing to put their life-force to work to transform the old PR into the new PR.

51 gardening and food security initiatives

52 1) Interesting people moving to town - artistic, intelligent, creative and motivated with new ideas and energy. 2)Access to healthy locally grown food

53 got a full time job

54 Construction of Kiwanis extention and approval for Olive Devaud to be rebuilt.

55 Food Security Programme.

56 - greater cooperation and unnderstaning with Sliammon

57 The planting of trees and good signage.

58 The Family Place has been very instrumental in helping young families

59 Haven't been here long enough

60 -that local agriculture is being encouraged to expand gives me reason for hope that things can move in a good direction

61 joined more organizations, met many more people who had same interests

62 the Catscan and the hundreds of ways the community raised the money- great effort by volunteers

63 nothing that I can stress highly.

64 The focus of food and health, slowly the Farmers Market is seeing more growers and food selection.

65 - the community stepping out of it's comfort zone and creating local versions of provincial, national and global events, initiatives, etc.

66 Counseling from Victim Support. Playing music.

67 No

68 Affordable housing makes it possible for me to establish a rich life I would otherwise not be able to afford.

69 I'm a hiker, I see new people using our trails all the time. I hope they don't spoil them all with logging. They are doing a pretty good job of it.

70 concious efforts to maintain a safe and secured town by the RCMP

71 Wonderful volunteers Nice to see municipal public landscaping improvements

72 I just moved here 1.5 years ago - it's all wonderful.

73 The increased movement towards local food production and small scale gardening. The economy improving.

74 Having more local foods to access.

75 Quality Foods coming to town. The BC Bike Race using our trails the last two years - we have the best bike trails!! Good to let the world know it!

76 Number of new GPs and Youth Center

77 Buying my own home

78 ongoing improvement of the harbour and at least talks of a new library

79 just moved to town, N/A

80 Efforts to preserve green space.

81 Less idling cars

82 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.

83 bus service to nort of town late on friday nite

84 no

85 Can't because things that get started take along time to finish,because lack of money,professionals,getting supplies.

86 the municipal garden caretakers are doing a really good job of beautifying our little town ...

87 The creation of the Roller Derby league, that alone has taken me from overweight mom to active health-conscious mom, and my family too. They need fund

88 increasing program development at the high school level; more kids getting more career opportunities

89 cat scan

90 Increase in festivals and events showcasing local food, talent, goods, etc...

91 The Focus on growing food and educating people about food and being self sufficient here in PR. Art Tours Garden Tours Programs and festivals in park

92 Opening of Max Cameron Theatre. Increase in Mother Goose offerings. Orca bus.

93 Not sure, but If PR was looking to creating revenu check out the cost of sending children to Island for spring hockey. Money that could be spent here!

94 Increased bus service (& buses with bicycle racks!) Malaspina University-College now VIU Tree-Frog Bistro opened CJMP radio reborn

95 a better council than the previous one

96 waterfront walk

97 ? increased opportunity and variety of fitness programs

98 I can't think of anything that has changed in the last 2 years from my perspective.

99 The sea wall

100 A lot more stores open

101 Accesibility of local farmers

102 fixing up the waterfront not much

103 City created an off leash park for dogs and people to socialize

104 not really --more needed

105 the revival of a community radio station that has begun to be a source of creative sharing.

106 Increased number of agricultural enterprises to enhance shop local, eat local, eat organic efforts.

107 Preservation of Millennium Park. However, the greenspace is not secure until we know the trees will remain.

108 no

109 moved outside of town to an acreage.

110 The future building of a new elementary school - Westview Elementary.

111 The opening of Quality Foods, Tim Hortons, and the sea walk.

112 CAT scan.

113 advocacy centre and the availability of the volunteer law advocate. She deserves civic honors.

114 Perhaps the expansion of transit...not the increase in fares though; presence fo liquor store in the neighbourhood &increased traffic reduced QoL

115 possibly the CAT scan machine and being included in the bowel cancer survey

116 new buses

117 my garden.

118 Groups promoting alternatives - Transition Town, cycle group, Edible Garden group

119 Sorry, I think that quality of life has actually decreased in the last two years - increased housing costs, huge increases in groceries and ferries.

120 Millenium Park

121 No - my own increasing disability reduces the equality of my life

122 Nothing

123 Street trees being planted!

124 Powell River Transition Town and all the work that's been done for sustainable living, ensuring food supply, working with new young gardeners. HOPEFUL

125 Hospital Improvements ie: CT Scan

126 steady work, although there seems to be more for men then women

127 developing food security programs and themes

128 Good supply of clean water.

129 New young adults and families coming to live in PR, Sustainability groups & people, TlaAmin Health, Diversity Initiative, Career Link, CRC

130 the growth of "alternative" activities becoming more mainstream - such as local food production, local radio

131 The bringing of more performances to Max Cameron Theatre.

132 - quality foods has been a great addition - their community spirit is an example -excellent hiking/running trails - well maintained

133 in general, the public events from Blackberry Festival to the parades, to the choral groups, the 50 mile eat local challenge

134 When Catalyst shut down the stinky craft mill!!!!!! No more disgusting smell.....Hallelujah!

135 senior centre
136 The Youth Resource Centre opening!
137 i haven't been here that long but for me it is bus consistency and longer hours or more frequent times for route #1
138 local meats now able to be sold and purchased
139 local government working on our behalf
140 more trails to walk and more small farms selling their produce.
141 more people have spoken up about what they believe in
142 Can't think of anything positive, but it certainly isn't the waste of money for the harbour or deserting Marine Avenue to make a horrendous Joyce
143 i actually find it has been getting worse. more and more people leaving or struggling...
144 Powell River became a pilot community for farm sales
145 More children
146 Increased local food production and access to it
147 having a CT scan here lowering curbs for disabled people and strollers
148 Sorry, can't think of anything. It is deteriorating. Looking forward to new seawall walk by ferry landing being finished.
149 Box stores with higher standards of customer service.
150 More local garden products and being able to buy meat from farmers.
151 The Max Cameron Theatre provides a cultural link with a larger world and a sense of wonder.
152 Our neighbours and the storekeepers. The level of friendship and service is amazing. Everyone goes out of their way to be helpful and kind.
153 healthy choices
154 No
155 Increased bus service to Sliammon
156 I see a lot of changes within communities about protecting + restoring our environment. More bus routes + access for all people + youth
157 Greater awareness of environmental issues, willingness to create funding avenues for self employed services
158 The opening of Powell River's Community Centre was definitely something we needed to improve our life/lives.
159 It is not complete yet but I think the work done on the new harbour is great.
160 The Sunshine Coast Trail
161 ?
162 Sliammon relationship with Powell River. More of our people work in town now. Bus Service for Sliammon.
163 Tla'Amin Health providing healthy programs in Sliammon opening doors to work with FN people at every level has been nice to see
164 not selling all our lands for a gated community with fly-in airport. much more awareness of local food & its importance
165 transition town powell river group
166 Friends and growing own food and the Food Security Project's courses.
167 The recruitment of the new full time psychiatrist, getting the CT scanner, and the new hut on the Sunshine Coast Trail.
168 New ferry at Saltery bay
169 In the past year since I moved here from Winnipeg, a derelict building was torn down and a new school is going up.
170 I met this awesome guy who takes me out to the natural environment surrounding Powell River.
171 more buses.
172 not a thing it is worse, let's be honest about that
173 S. Alsgard






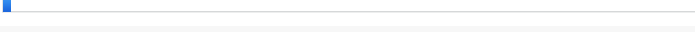
39. How old are you?

	Responses	Percent
18 or under:	1	0.28%
19 - 30:	18	4.96%
31 - 40:	50	13.77%
41 - 50:	67	18.46%
51 - 65:	173	47.66%
65 or older:	54	14.88%
Total Responded to this question:		363 99.45%
Total who skipped this question:		2 0.55%
Total:		365 100%

40. Which sex are you?

	Responses	Percent
Male: <input type="text"/>	0	0%
Female: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	365	100%
Total Responded to this question:		365 100%
Total who skipped this question:		0 0%
Total:		365 100%

41. Where do you live?

	Responses	Percent
City of Powell River: 	242	66.48%
Regional District - North: 	34	9.34%
Regional District - South: 	63	17.31%
Sliammon: 	16	4.4%
Texada: 	4	1.1%
Somewhere else (temporary or seasonal resident): 	5	1.37%
Total Responded to this question:		364 99.73%
Total who skipped this question:		1 0.27%
Total:		365 100%