






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: 	25	3.83%
GOOD: 	252	38.65%
FAIR: 	266	40.8%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	86	13.19%
POOR: 	23	3.53%
Total Responded to this question:	652	95.18%
Total who skipped this question:	33	4.82%
Total:	685	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:	350	100%
Total Responded to this question:	350	51.09%
Total who skipped this question:	335	48.91%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Increase taxation on the wealthy Amalgamate City, Regional & School District governments Invest in community literacy
2	Raise income (all sources including Income Assistance) or lower expenses, i.e. build social housing. Social housing must be rent geared to income.
3	Have more support for people who are low income, ie. funding for pharmaceuticals, food, clothing, etc.
4	Better bus service. Replacement for Olive Deveaux
5	living wage affordable housing affordable healthy food
6	more jobs
7	Make it beneficial for larger chain stores to come into the community, and give incentives for them to do so, therefore more jobs.
8	Attract more business to the area to provide employment opportunities.
9	Pay more than the bare minimum wage- and government (municipal as well) should support a living wage, as opposed to standing idly by.
10	Housing affordability, build affordable housing work are attracting industry that can provide good paying jobs
11	housing
12	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
13	increase minimum wage to a 'living wage' increase social assistance amounts for individuals and families allow those on assistance to earn money
14	more community fund raising events
15	More jobs suitable for people with challenges, better wages
16	more low rental housing
17	Create programs that inspire people to be all they can be.
18	More availability of low income housing, more support for daycare so that parents can go to work, improved Mental Health care and availability.
19	Assuming there is a gap, since we all have definitions of rich and poor.
20	Job creation and training. Cuts to hand outs.
21	I don't know, we have never needed the services.
22	better communication to determine who needs help and why they need help
23	more employment opportunities education
24	Provide affordable housing for people living on a disability pension, particularly those who suffer from a mental illness.
25	Increase and improve awareness of the problem provide affordable housing options
26	low cost housing
27	recognize the need...low cost housing, income fairness for folks just beginning in the job market, or for newcomers to the area
28	decent low income housing needed !!!!
29	redistribute the wealth, tax luxury items like quads and boats. raise wages and stop taxing the tips of our servers
30	Affordable housing. Youth housing.
31	Give school-age kids extra support required (food,tutoring,counselling, mentoring) to break the poverty cycle.Parent(s) provided with work for welfare
32	encourage the CRC with donations of food and time; encourage community gardens; decent low income housing interspersed through the community
33	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.
34	Employment opportunities help the poor the most; the wealthier are in a position to influence public policy so can help by making business welcome
35	long term health care has a long / arbitrary waiting list
36	Stop giving huge tax breaks to corporations and shifting the tax base to residential.
37	Need to build more services for the elderly as that is what this community is becoming and to keep their \$ here.
38	consider the influx of income assisted people without jobs

39 1. Create new community projects (& support existing ones) with a strong orientation towards social justice. 2. Topple neoliberalism.

40 Probably not possible but reducing the stranglehold of unions on the economy would be a great beginning.

41 More affordable housing Bus passes for low income single income 610/mos Senior not being able to afford drugs

42 Be more selective with who achieves income assistance

43 Mayor Allsgard has been completely ineffectual in attracting new industry and new jobs to Powel River. Healthy industry = wealth, he doesn't get it!

44 -provide more affordable housing for individuals living under the poverty line

45 Job training, job creation

46 increase taxes, at the provincial and federal levels, on top earners and corporations. ease the tax burden on the 'middle class'

47 need low cost housing, supported housing as well. The food bank could be better, although I think they are trying to improve.

48 Pursue economic development opportunities. Without industry, no jobs, no wages, no tax base. Poverty is a direct result of this.

49 Provide more decent low-income rental housing and perhaps some co-operative housing.

50 We need basic industry employment that will provide jobs that pay a decent wage that will enable our children to stay and start their own families.

51 We need to tackle the drug problem in Powell River to really start getting anywhere. Also, young children & families living in poverty.

52 Welcome large employers and discourage local business from unjustified inflated prices

53 Try to co ordinate services , publish and communicate them well. Think of the client rather than the agency. Make PR an attractive looking community

54 Elect Councillors who listen!

55 Sports fees

56 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.

57 Provide skills training, including basic skills training and computer training.

58 Provide additional lo-cost housing, senior-oriented community housing

59 Stop labelling and stigmatization. Educate people about difference. Raise welfare rates. More community food gardens. Hire the poor, not the rich.

60 many people are under-educated or under - utilized; or have good ideas they can't move forward

61 make more programs and services available that are not cost prohibitive

62 Create jobs. Increase access to education for low/mid income families. Strengthen the college/trades programs in PR. Business training.

63 Affordable housing

64 Housing is a critical issue. Most low income parents live in challenging hosing situations or in slums. Transportation .

65 Increase employment and wages; affordable (nice) housing, such as housing cooperatives; funding for seniors medical & hospice services.

66 There should be a "I don't know" option for the first question. I cannot answer it accurately.

67 provide low-cost housing

68 a better food bank that distributes real food not random canned, packaged and non food items. Rent subsidies. Jobs Smaller buses, + route

69 Affordable housing (buying, not renting as rent is very affordable here). More quality jobs.

70 job creation and sustainability...get away from being a retirement community.be progressive,get rid of big industry!start thinking about youth employ.

71 training and employment opportunities upgrades to housing stock for Sliammon and ec development opportunities encourage sustainable devpt.

72 Support all efforts by workers to get higher wages.

73 provide more universal supports for all families (child care, parental leave, etc), instead of targeted supports requiring people to demonstrate need

74 Create more affordable housing Create a bartering network Create a tool-sharing network Create community gardens in every community (labour for food)

75 more jobs

76 Need more and better paying jobs that don't cost us the environment.

77 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

78 Vote for progressive minded people for all elected offices and provide support to those elected.

79 Bring in some Medium Density Business's and stop the influx of places like Walmart Canadian Tire,McDonalds who only give their employees 3 days of wor

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

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

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

beautiful.

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

84 affordable housing

85 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

86 up min wage

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

88 Give incentives and public recognition to small businesses and other employers who offer employment or mentoring for the poor.

89 more reasonably priced housing for low income individuals families

90 Get rid of the Provincial Liberals, and Federal Cons

91 Improve the staff response at the food bank Stop charging more for out of town to use the Complex.

92 credit education starting as early as possible in the school curriculum and not stopping until after grad - parents also badly need help in this area

93 More low income housing.

94 Give a little more. It actually feels good.

95 change the direction of the entire world re the elimination of the middle class. everywhere the split is increasing between the rich and the poor.

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

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

98 Promote higher education in the schools. Try to attract companies to relocate to Powell River. We need good paying jobs.

99 coming from a big city i see things in this area as being much better here

100 the area that concerns me is the middle , we are definately going backwards financially. it's obvious that the top elites are greedy.

101 Encourage business and industry

102 Encourage the Prov. gov. to make homestead land available at low or no cost for those willing to commit to sustainable agriculture and lifestyle.

103 rent geared to income housing

104 Recognize the problem

105 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

106 -provide more low cost housing. -work to provide more work experience and jobs for young adults with learning problems.

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

108 nothing

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

110 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.

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

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

113 -don't encourage displays of extravagant wealth where possible -continue to encourage new jobs, especially environmentally sustainable ones

114 lower taxes and remove school taxes from property taxes of seniors

115 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

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

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

118 We need to address the issue of homelessness.

119 expanded post-secondary training opportunities within the community.

120 low rent subsidized housing

121 school supplies provided with enrollment. more seniors aid improvised, e.g. grocery allowance for low income seniors in way of food card etc.

122 Keep necessary things affordable for the poor. For those in dire need have more services available.

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

124 Rental housing people can afford .Complex tickets low income families can afford.

125 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.

126 activity and education opportunities for low income families organized volunteer opportunities for seniors or others who would galdly

	give their time
127	More free concerts or free tickets given out to the poor. Less demands on poor parents for field trips and extras. Home repairs subsidized.
128	-encourage more micro businesses -more regular transit, bike systems - events ie. Open Air Market accessible - strengthen not cut back CRC etc
129	Work to prevent environmental and economic disaster or provide shelter in the worst case. Provide affordable housing, heating, and local food.
130	Attempt to create more meaningful jobs with better than subsistence payscales.
131	promote more educational support
132	Community sharing, cooperation, responsibility
133	Stop the Ministry from importing dysfunctional people into our community
134	reduce property taxes !!!! on LOW income seniors
135	Promote business better
136	not sure
137	key things such as food , shelter and transportation should be affordable
138	Work at ways to create more jobs - get people employed via training and education.
139	I think awareness helps people act or do something. I feel that people are not aware of how many there really is here.
140	Stimulate the economy and create more jobs for young families. The town is being over run by rich retirees from other provinces and pushing out locals
141	increase wages. put more effort into supporting the Sliammon community.
142	Lobby for people on Income Assistance to be able to work part time without being penalized. Not very motivating to find work if you don't make money.
143	Affordable housing, and better wages and more training opportunities to enhance skills.
144	Loaded question. Wealth increases with age in our society. Taxing increases in the value of personal residences would be a start.
145	Jobs if possible. Our young population has to leave the community for stable and fulfilling employment. This of course means green industry!
146	increase affordable and decent housing
147	More environmentally friendly jobs, but it's a small town so that's likely not possible.
148	Work towards a living wage policy. Support micro business development. Ensure a local economic base that keeps wealth circulating within the region.
149	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
150	Housing Food Mental health Transportation
151	self help programs and practical training
152	Intervene at the childhood level and provide integrated services
153	education - more support in classrooms opportunities for teens
154	Create more jobs. Allow more business and industry to come in. I know of a few people who tried and have been turned down or too many barriers raised
155	Level of services has to be afforded and local property taxes are very high relative to incomes
156	Difficult issue, federal government has been downloading services while cutting the tax base. Reinstate school lunch, add community mentorship program
157	provide safe housing for everyone and provide help--drug counselling etc as part of the inclusion in public housing.
158	Address housing issues for low income folks.
159	Community awareness, programs communicating and co-ordinating a unified approach
160	Encourage volunteerism, and when folks volunteer, take them up on it.
161	tax breaks for low income, housing that is above sub-par for low income families and also more financial support for single parents who need to work 3
162	More low income housing. Better paid jobs Higher taxation (seniors with) high income Free recreation for low income More healthy food for less
163	Flat tax, unique to three B.C. Cities and one village, has the poorest ratepayers paying a larger portion of their income, subsidising the wealthy.
164	Mixed housing projects for income earners of all ranges.
165	This question infers that rich = wealthy, a view to which I don't subscribe. To be truly wealthy, one must have health, happiness, a sense of wellbein
166	Stop allowing corporations to have reduced taxes while the community members pay more.
167	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.
168	higher minimum wage

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

170 try to develop affordable housing

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

172 Housing. Job preparation.

173 increase funding and services

174 I see far less of a gap here than in the city (Vancouver). I'm aware of various ways this is already being done here.

175 Communal events- community barbeques, casual sports events(drop-in beach volleyball/softball) Music + food= community

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

177 Healthy meal programs in schools - not PAC oriented.

178 Raise minimum wage

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

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

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

182 more affordable housing options for seniors more employment opportunities for 20 somethings that pay a livable wage

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

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

185 Better paying jobs.

186 more attention to providing food to students in schools

187 Have a project that allows low or no income people to earn credits which could be turned in for food or other necessities.

188 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.

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

190 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.

191 Run the poor out of town, they are a drain on the local economy .

192 Affordable housing Jobs Training

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

194 nothing if the poor want more money they should try harder

195 affordable housing

196 To help them to find a job for the poor

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

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

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

200 actually help people not just pretend

201 More employment opportunities

202 transportation and access to educational opportunities

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

204 encourage jobs by encouraging growth

205 Have social workers assist the above to budget their monies, to grocery shop economically, etc.

206 Targeted employment-readiness programs Job-creation initiatives Save the Powell River Community Resource Centre Inclusiveness initiatives

207 End the shift in income to the richest 1 or 2% from everybody else. Restore social, educational and health programs that have been cut.

208 Paying the correct wage for positions of responsibility. Taxes here for the services received are far too high including property tax and natural gas

209 Too many paid social workers (read they are part of the rich) doling out allowances for the poor. This furthers us and them attitude of the masses.

210 Housing for low income people. Adjusted user fee services (ie recreation, lessons) - based on income.

211 Ensure services are easy to locate.

212 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!

213 The "poor" is not a permanent condition for most. This condition is highly transitory when there are no underlying self imposed choice or habit.

214 Better public transit availability.

215 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.

216 Tax the rich.

217 How can we answer this when we have no statistics identifying the extent of the gap between rich and poor? What level is considered rich/poor?

218 subsidized housing. More housing for teenagers who are couch surfing.

219 provide affordable rental housing have a used furniture store make food bank more accessible and available

220 Stop acting so insular. The city government favours the well to do and special interest groups that have financial power.

221 A person needing Assistance loses confidence fast. Career Link does help, but needs to expand. Does the Ministry want people on Welfare? I believe so.

222 Lesson the disposal of perishable items thrown away in supermarket chains by encouraging them to give these items to the poor (food banks etc).

223 stop merchants from gouging consumers. just because it is a ferry ride to shop else where is no excuse for these high prices!

224 Start with making a list of criteria for persons running for mayor or counsellor. They are the decision makers.

225 Stop pretending that we don't have a cadre of corrupt business people who control and influence so much of the local development

226 That's life. Stop fretting about it. Those who show initiative or work ethic usually come out ahead.

227 I never use these services, so I have no idea. First Nations should be getting help from Sliammon/Federal Govt. Not leeching on provincial services.

228 Why should we? People who want government assistance (handouts) should be willing to do some community service.

229 Bring in industry of some type in order to increase availability of jobs. Take a survey of what is available locally in terms of training/education

230 Ferry cards for low income families

231 More low rental housing - especially for seniors - ranch type dwellings for people with disabilities.

232 pay for education if on income assistance.

233 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...

234 encourage developers to build low to medium cost housing instead of big high end or expensive senior type (patio) homes

235 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.

236 Better low cost housing, more rental units in the low to mid range income area. Better communication between the two extremes.

237 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

238 Affordable housing Subsidized transit Stop City's user-pay philosophy Eliminate property flat tax Facilities and events in all parts of town

239 Employers need to pay above minimum wage Have a food bank that functions to meet the needs of the community.

240 Stop the tendency of certain interest groups who are more concerned about property values from creating divisions within the town.

241 More community events to foster the people helping people attitude

242 Better public transportation, more attention to sidewalks and walkways. Lower property taxes! Better schools in poorer neighbourhoods (Wildwood and To

243 what caused the 'gap'? is it the disappearance of the middle class? if so, the solution is obvious.

244 Those in poverty depend on income from federal and provincial funds. In Powell River municipal funds may be made available to subsidize needs

245 stop giving huge wage increases to all the public sector people. retired people don't get those increases so the gap widens.

246 Desperately need affordable housing in our community. This means accommodation under the \$200,000 or low cost rental.

247 more low income housing for low income people and seniors

248 guaranteed minimum income

249 more subsidized housing. income assistance increase to poverty level.

250 Low income housing Create part-time employment

251 More low income access to the city's recreation complex including the services, equipment and classes. Also rent prices in Powell River are very high!

252 - lower housing costs to low income families - more financial help to low income families/individuals ie pharmaceuticals, housing, bills, etc.

253 Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Concentrate on feeding the children; breakfast programs in all the schools would help.

254 Income Assistance is too low for the disabled to live on.

255 Cost of living (groceries, transportation, accommodation, etc) are high here.

256 support groups for immigrant families unified/organized groups that are funded social groups more support for children to partake in enrichment activities

257 increase access to affordable housing develop sustainable and stable economic and employment opportunities for youth to enter the workforce

258 Housing for the elderly, ... an up-dated Nursing Home ...affordable housing.

259 Social programs available and known.

260 The City should promote, protect and encourage the small businesses in the community

261 AFFORDABLE HOUSING, VIABLE TRANSPORTATION - city and region, affordable child care, more free programs/activities for children and youth in each regio

262 Stop giving senior discounts. I think there are more young families that need a break with ferry and grocery costs etc. than seniors.

263 Job Training Educational Assistance Eliminate tax loopholes for the wealthiest

264 Support the inclusion of more external industry and infrastructure. Review policies on local business as a priority at the expense of wages.

265 taxes on the rich home owners

266 Promote and allow more business development - town needs more employers & more jobs

267 Make sure there are programs in place to support low income workers and single mothers that are well publisized and easily accessed.

268 Build more low cost housing and low cost care facilities - both being not for profit driven.

269 There is a need to access services outside of Powell River. Low incomes result from the lack of jobs or opportunities for young people.

270 housing and volunteer network for community credit

271 Better paying jobs..

272 tax the 'rich' and if the low or moderate need to be taxed make it at a lower rate

273 There needs to be a concerted effort to attract business manufacturing sustainable and eco friendly products, ie solar panels.

274 Robin Hood? ensure everyone has access to quality health care and recreational opportunities.

275 Participate in creating well paying employment opportunities.

276 -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?!

277 that is a difficult question, perhaps some adjustment to working hours, to allow more people into the work force

278 have more affordable housing

279 Jobs Affordable houseing Cost of getting in and out of PR

280 Offer more low-income housing alternatives.

281 A decent building here in Powell River that has trained staff to deal with all the issues that the low income can go to that has all conveninies.

282 more support for learning disabilities and early learning

283 it is very hard for a person 55 years or older to find employment in Powell River...this needs to be addressed

284 Promote, support and develop Powell River's attractiveness to seniors, general retirees, and home-based business people.

285 Support the ongoing funding and operations of the CRC and YRC would be a great start.

286 Stable funding for programs supporting families with young children.

287 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

288 give incentives to developers to address the issue of affordable housing...allow home owners to build carriage housing

289 more food from the big stores that doesnt sell goto food bank..

290 get rid of the current government and begin to practice peaceful parenting.

291 Everything is given to the first nations and the people who actually need help get nothing.

292 Some of the "poor" are in that condition because of self choice of lifestyle and priorities.

293 More affordable housing for people with low income or disabilities

294 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.

295 Return of the middle class for healthy economy

296 more green jobs in micro energy projects. green building, waste and water management. organic farms more support for small business innovators,

297 Better access to the web and life skills / life coaching

298 Housing

299 Can that gap be closed anywhere, I wonder?

300 offer free recreation and transportation services to people with low income. cap rent.

301 The gap will always be there. Look at the ways the rich are making money. The poor need social services/tools/jobs to rise up to the middle.






302 Tax the rich their equal share, increase corporate tax

303 Try to provide community jobs for unemployed or under employed people.



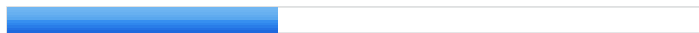


304 Communication - close the gap - neither is superior or inferior of the other. When we get that - we'll move forward.

305	share surplus foods/supplies/etc - tax credits for those that share if possible to encourage others lower costs for purchased items for qual persons
306	Develop sustainable healthy jobs. Improve housing opportunities for low or no income people. improve healthful food sources for food impoverished.
307	Create more jobs.
308	Create a positive forward looking environment to job creation. Shake off the negative, attitude towards change that is leaving Powell River behind
309	Invest 20 million dollars in projects for the poor, which is a similar amount that was invested for a marina for the rich. That would be a start
310	Co -op/ low income housing
311	need more good restrauts to attract more tourists. They do not even have a seafood restraut in Powell river. This would create more jobs.
312	Equal Treatment
313	Treated equally - equal opportunities
314	subsidized/social housing
315	Increase support in schools for 1st nations students
316	hire more first nations in the industry
317	Easier access to funding for training that leads into jobs and economic opportunities
318	support services for people new to the work force : ie daycare; counselling
319	Have better paying jobs which would lighten the load on those barely getting by
320	Increase wages and access to training for people with barriers
321	More food bank awareness + donations. Have donation contest, etc at puplic eventslike SeaFair, Blackberry Fest.
322	Equal treatment, give the poor a voice
323	Access to resources - example transportation
324	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.
325	We need more affordable housing and bus service north and south of town.
326	Life Skills Training (with remuneration). On-the-job training.
327	more inclusive activities in the public
328	As FN people there are various limitations/barriers due to criteria implemented by INAC and local governments both local and provincial
329	Social Assistance - why is there a gap in the amount of dollars given to individuals? (just an oversight)
330	Have wealthy pay more taxes - and lower taxes for low income
331	Industrial community transition to hospitality and tourism/services - decreases income levels considerably need thought of IT manufacturing factory
332	housing!
333	provide true low income/subsidized housing for poor people that is well made and a person or persons would be proud to live there.
334	More jobs. Better political awareness and education.
335	Low income seniors should be able to earn at least \$5,000 to defray high rent, heat, hydro costs and future medical costs.
336	Communication
337	Better housing for low income and seniors
338	Powell River food banks should be open in the summer while kids are out of school food costs group.
339	It's better than many towns I've lived in.
340	Single parent families can barely make ends meet on EI. Food banks can't provide enough to make ends meet.
341	Increase the minimum wage
342	More assistance to low income families. More programs to build skills and abilities. Pay special attention to families with young children
343	We need to address the working poor issues where by individuals can only find part time employment that doesn't pay benefits.
344	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
345	Get local governments to fund Family Place and CRC.
346	Start being more economically inclusive. We need to reach a broader spectrum of the poor. Listen to people. Stop paying lip service. Better programs.
347	make more money available to start micro business.
348	Support and encourage education Affordable housing Keep our good mental health services
349	keep jobs in Powell River. tax on outside contractors or suppliers. job creation and incentives and education.
350	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: 	2	0.31%
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4. What do you think the future outlook is for Powell River to sustain a stable and active community?

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	22	3.43%
GOOD: 	244	38.07%
FAIR: 	252	39.31%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	105	16.38%
POOR: 	18	2.81%
Total Responded to this question:	641	93.58%
Total who skipped this question:	44	6.42%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	436	100%
Total Responded to this question:	436	63.65%
Total who skipped this question:	249	36.35%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Improve community literacy Create a university concentrating on fine arts and incorporating the Powell River Academy of Music Build a cultural centre
2	Pay people enough that they can spend money. Then encourage buying locally.
3	Decrease of ferry fares.
4	Reduce dependence on mill - encourage PR as an outdoor adventure destination Enhance opportunities for retirees Hiway to lower mainland
5	living wage employment for youth to raise families and stay in town training options
6	make taxes affordable to attract bi businesses sness
7	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.
8	Develop features that appeal to the growing population of retirees. There's not better place in Canada for them to live.
9	Strengthen the local economy and move away from the 'Big Box Solution' which takes money out of the community. Encourage people to actually live here.
10	truly open for buisness at City Hall Attract new Industry external marketing of Powell River lower ferry rates better ferry connections
11	encourage viable businesses. Make the process easier from the top down. Somehow the City of Powell River has to let PRREDS do its job.
12	Develop tourism, make Marine Ave more appealing. More small industries. Insure that unused properties (including Catalyst) don't sit empty for long.
13	Jobs, in order to attract families.
14	more attention to sustainability and food and water security lower ferry fares more attention to how to make this a retirement and tourist destinatio
15	reduce transportation costs, tax breaks for new business's to relocate here
16	Less reliance on industry, focus on tourism destination marketing and seniors/retirees
17	bring in new industries!
18	more investment. Council to reduce the red tape for new investors and businesses and ACTIVELY encourage and support new initaivaes
19	try and get another industry going
20	We need ot focus more on tourism and move away from being a mill town.
21	listen to the people, more open minded as far as "green" industry goes, incentives for small business owners.
22	For the City to put more emphasis on economic development and for Council to make up their own decisions based on what is the right thing.
23	We should have a nursing school here. We have the property right beside the hospital. Incentives for professionals.
24	Better and cheaper ferry system, lower business taxes.
25	access road between P.R & Squamish market gardening
26	We need to attract business, and help ensure their success rather than put obstacles in their way.
27	Improve our governance and public relationships. Improve the transparency of our local government Reduce our dependency on the Mill
28	Substantial improvement in transportation in and out of the community. Such an improvement is improbable based on a rather low population base
29	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
30	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
31	Reduce ferry fares and keep them that way. Offer tax incentives for new businesses to come here. Encourage people to shop locally, farm locally etc.
32	food production, tourist infrastructure, keep whats left of the forest intact
33	Concentrate on Tourism, eco friendly businesses and sustainably green light industry. Emphasis on quality of environment and not on logging everywher
34	small business start up help for people who did not receive EI
35	Reduce ferry fares & improve sheduled connections to Vancouver.Expand University offerings to draw students from out of town.

36	community identification and engagement - shop at home, support local farmers and other green initiatives, retain the beauty and peace = attraction
37	Lower ferry costs. It would encourage folks to come here and spend money
38	Local manufacturing and processing.
39	improve business climate; control city depts apparent lack of business sense
40	add to the focus of the development in diferent directions---eg establish a private university campus and use it to establish areas of excellence
41	Need to develop another industry other than the mill.
42	encourage businesses to esatblsh that are able to offer employment to younger families.
43	improve ferry services
44	Secondary industries that manufacture items - too many minimum wage service jobs
45	Stop funding PRREDS. Devote funds to microfinancing, cooperatives, and other democratic and PR-centric enterprises.
46	Encourage any and all secondary business which will provide employment and a future for young people
47	Address the "old boys club" political mentality - allow competition. Kudos, though, for going after BC Ferries
48	BC ferry costs Affordable housing
49	Tourism Powell River....what do they do? They are given a lot of funding and they seem to do very little to promote the community.
50	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
51	When the mill goes down and it will, Mayor and Council can be thanked for their gross incompetence and in action! This community has unlimited potenti
52	-diversifying our economic base -keeping the ferries (our highway) affordable
53	Having a city focused on more of the marine life such as a restaurant where the old barge terminal used to be. Also having more transient dock space.
54	Lower municipal property taxes
55	continue developing PR as a food sufficient community
56	Attracting new business that could pay decent wages - unfortunately I have no idea what that could be! Too many minimum wage jobs here
57	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.
58	Diversify, create a real town centre between the ferry terminal and Willingdon Beach, shuttles to WBeach, Complex
59	Support farmers and tourist industry. Protect spawning creeks.
60	reliable and affordable transportation in and out of the community that will enable businesses to make a profit by setting up operations here
61	Small businesses need better support. Too much red tape and bylaws effect small businesses.
62	Lower ferry fares. More employment
63	Powell River needs to let go of the past and invite new businesses and attractions
64	we have to do something about the ferries & the cost of doing business in this community. The gas & grocery prices are just too high.
65	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.
66	High end housing options for seniors wishing to downsize . Support for food production, Attractive spaces
67	Same comment as previous
68	More middle income jobs and opportunities
69	Tourism and employing the younger generation. Not enough trades employed here. Need business park! Too much anti light industry..
70	Training for young single men and single mothers Subsidized treatment centre for addictions Help local business bid on large projects
71	Find a niche market beyond the forestry industry. Explore wind power, tideal power
72	Organic small farms/food gardens. Tourism. Environmental awareness. Protect our water, land and air. Encourage small to medium sized businesses.
73	Attract new businesses who are "exporting" out of Powell River. Support existing businesses who are already doing this. Improve PREDS!
74	Attract more businesses and making it easier for them to do business; promote and support tourism; send a strong message concerning high ferry fares
75	support young families to stay in/return to/ immigrate to the community; "green economy"
76	more businesses/employment opportunities needed
77	change ferry system- too expensive - this is reflected in cost of goods and services and people are not able to afford rising costs
78	take action to address the high cost of raising a family or purchasing goods & services in an isolated community.
79	Get a (new) council that really understands what innovative means and to shift toward green and sustainable business/personal practices.

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

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

82 Attracting new businesses, keeping the natural attraction intact.

83 Affordable access to Lower Mainland and Island

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

85 Attract real businesses. Not low paying tourist or retail jobs. Businesses that produce, manufacture or provide a service remotely.

86 development of tourism industry cultural development beautification of town centre

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

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

89 Lower ferry costs.

90 tourism,and education,entertainment...how about some culture?localize!create an attractive city!grow,this town feels like a mill town circa 1978...

91 Bringing in new businesses and new industry. Creating incentives for new businesses and industries to look at Powell River, as viable.

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

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

94 encourage small home based business. Less red tape.

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

96 Local currency would be EXTREMELY beneficial! Bartering network for businesses and homeowners. Education/awareness program to encourage local shopping

97 a new enterprise or business model

98 My God! Can we please get residential property taxes under control?! No more sweet deals for polluting Catalyst. And PRSC is a nightmare.

99 See # 2.

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

101 Work for a transitional economy that promotes local food production, green transport, green building and control of our water and energy.

102 MEDIUM SIZE BUSINESS

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

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

105 Increase tourism Increase sustainability with more agriculture Establish green businesses

106 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.

107 transparency of local government

108 see question 2

109 support the local people

110 Need to be more open to new compaines coming in

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

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

113 Diversification, green energy manufacturing, leverage industrial waterfront for an industry manufactures here and that ships around the world

114 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

115 Once again, education is key and we could start with an expanded library. Being near the top on the provincial illiteracy scale speaks volumes!

116 Focus on tourism, less on big industry.

117 Bring back a sports fishery by bringing back herring and salmon, better tourist attractions and facilities, bike paths etc.

118 Cut prices a bit. We are not Vancouver.

119 more industry, or more good jobs. that however will not help the poor or currently unemployed. they don't have the skills to compete in the new econ

120 For me, it's my effort to kickstart a publishing industry. For the whole comm;unity, it's the abandonment of the old notion of "attracting" business.

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

122 need to broaden our tax base by attracting new business, small light industry.

123 More emphasis on sustainability and eco-based activities instead of timber mining

124	We need a vision & market the heck out of it. An alternative, affordable, artistic, cool community to visit and live- marketed across the world
125	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.
126	Texada is dying - ferry rates are killing it
127	diversify the economic activity base support and promote sustainable activity - especially in agriculture, value-added food production, locavore.
128	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
129	Think outside the box and make more progressive decisions.
130	More jobs in sectors that encourage our young people to stay here.
131	recreational activities (nature/family camping, etc/ sports facilities)/ first nations cultural tours / retirement communities
132	solidify PR as a retirement centre
133	local enterprise. corporations are taking far too much out & stiffling local enterprise
134	Mayor and council could stop acting like they own the city and start listening to the people who do.
135	Cut waste in areas of city budget and keep a tight rein on expenses.
136	provide health services on texada 7 days a week as the rcmp has to do the same, provide texada with adsl highspeed for private use and business
137	Support, encourage the Transition Town approach of self-reliance. Build a caring community with a high standard of social & political ethics
138	Make the ferries reasonably priced
139	Diversification, promote the new water front as a destination for boaters
140	Improve ferry fares, revitalize Marine Avenue, develop old arena site
141	jobs and affordable housing
142	attract and promote new small and medium business, complete an identify zoned areas for different business/industry use and market.
143	Foster public private partnerships such as proposed development at Willingdon (condos/library/park); promote small green industry.
144	-increase the number of jobs available especially for young people.
145	Tourism, eco-friendly destination. More athletic competitions such as the cycle race. Add a major triathlon event. Hiking and ATV expeditions.
146	Fair taxation.
147	Keep beautifying it .We need a new public library which will appeal to all ages and be a real attraction to newcomers
148	Maintain a strong small business economy - try and encourage a standard of a living wage among local employers
149	more apprenticeships for people starting new careers young and not so young small industries to employ several people at a time
150	Build up the resort area that I have seen posters for since I arrived 3 years ago, but never see any development
151	Create a business environment to attract new businesses City council must make it easier for new businesses to start Fight to reduce ferry costs.
152	-find creative ways to attract/keep younger/working generations here -encourage "made in PR" sustainable goods
153	cut city spending on non-essentials
154	local production of food and essential products
155	infrastructure to ship out light industry stuff Improve the ferry service especially the connections
156	Keeping money circulating locally for longer, instead of letting it leak out These boxes are too small!!!! No room for more ideas
157	Work to end the "divide" between wealthy established people and young entrepreneurs. Support/mentor the younger generation.
158	Provide incentives for small and medium business to flourish. Stop the influx of big national chain stores. Local stores can't compete.
159	Promote tourism/ eco-tourism. Beautification projects throughout the community.
160	increase small businesses, tourism and agriculture
161	lower ferries encourage industry-incentives
162	More interest shown to encourage Powell River as a retirement destination. Seawalk is a good example but if you notice its not kept up.
163	Attract more industry to the catalyst industrial property. Let the mill burn Vancouver's garbage in the power boiler.
164	jobs that pay more than min wage.
165	PR needs to maintain a steady economy.
166	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.
167	subsidized ferries, a road to the interior of the province, industry
168	An additional industry. Paper Mill should pay their taxes.
169	Change the leadership in both the town council and regional districts. We need capable people who are also visionary
170	-developing the locavore mindset -gathering and using the many skills, talents, resources we have -diversifying not polluting waste

	disposal fiasco
171	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.
172	Adjust to and try to prevent climate change, prepare for disaster economic or environmental. Achieve self-sufficiency. Mobilize the masses.
173	Attract creative and ongoing businesses through innitial tax releif and by cleaning up 'old' decrepid site (ie: Inn at Westview.
174	more tourism opportunities
175	Local business development, encourage and develop a 'green economy'
176	A revitalized Marine Drive - something of interest to people arriving by ferry
177	Lower Industrial Taxes,
178	Expand and strengthen alternatives to the currently dominant modes of the "global" economic focus. E.g. local food, currency or exchange modes, etc.
179	Ferries, need to be reflective of the needs of our community.
180	promote the things that Powell River has going for it ie. arts and leisure
181	Attract industry to locate here to create jobs and income.
182	to ensure that the local politicians and city planners welcome new business's and industry without putting too many or unrealistic roadblocks to force
183	More local businesses and jobs. Our city has sold out to big box stores and closed too many small businesses. Look at Marine Drive and how dead it is
184	We must get ferry fares under control. Further increases will kill our community.
185	Decent paying jobs for young families.
186	Community members are resourceful and we live in a resource rich area.
187	Tourism promotion, encourage more retirement in the area and extend broadband service at MODERATE cost.
188	Bring more employment into the area. It doesn't have to be large employers. So much now can be done from remote locations. Poewll River's a great pla
189	Get a seafood restraurant and a Casino. It would bring in lots of money for our economy.
190	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.
191	More local small business. Year round tourism Increase the agricultural sector Business incubation programs
192	a pro economic development agenda
193	Making Powell River attractive and sustainable (i.e. more jobs) for young people to live, work and start families in Powell River.
194	Diversify economy with varied small businesses
195	Unemployment at above subsistance level
196	Diversity of businesses with financing for locals to purchase existing businesses and start new ones
197	tourism home care and sevicees for elderly jobs and activities for young adults
198	see comment 2. Some councillors are only in for themselves and NOT the community as a whole.
199	employment
200	The outlook depends on decisions are local politicans make. Enhance our competitive advantage. Protect our environment for goodness sake
201	Texada economy is in deep trouble. The community needs to re-establish itself with a varied economic base .
202	Strong Community = thriving small business, our addiction to "cheap" = global resource exploitation + non community business support
203	stop believing P>R. is a one industry town. Secondary industries should be encouraged and promoted---ship building, vinyards, wood products, jam plant
204	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/\$
205	We need a cohesive vision. Right now the economic goals are scatters and incompatible
206	Tourism, cultural events, deep sea port for cruise ships
207	Diversity, not all eggs in one basket
208	Ferries, ferries, ferries - primarily the cost
209	jobs for young families, new industry
210	Attracting more businesses to the community. Hiring local people (city still contracts outside of town even if knowledge/skills are available in town)
211	Promote tourism. . esp. eco Lobby against raw log export & open net fish farming " for orchard and farm subsidy Promote shellfish & aquatic
212	New Industry
213	New environmentally friendly industry that attracts and retains youth through employment opportunities.
214	We must promote self reliance.

215	Tourism - focus on and market strengths like biking and hiking trails, Sunshine Coast Trail, music - and the events that happen around them - better
216	Transportation between the north of town to down town which includes the weekend as well.
217	Get another major industry in town. The mill is not the answer for our young people in the future.
218	Subsidize the ferry so people can travel in and out of Powell River.
219	encourage more people to shop locally, promote tourism more, easier access to loans for people wanting to start their own businesses, cheaper ferry ra
220	A broad range of services and opportunities. Recognition of outlying areas' needs.
221	encourage other industries that provides middle income employment
222	improve transportation to/from Powell River
223	people to care for their community.. and businesses to stop spiking prices.
224	encourage small businesses and tourism
225	Incentives to stimulate new industries such as wine grape vineyards, water bottling, coffee roasting, ie: cheap land leases, tax breaks, grants
226	increasing the tourism market, developing sustainable local crops
227	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
228	huge decrease in ferry fees, should not have to pay ferry fees to leave Powell River encourage visitors, movement of the population, stimulate economy
229	encourage industry to establish in PR; build a high end conference centre on the water front; water front condos ?
230	Stimulate local resilience every way possible. a la Transition Town movement. Find ways to increase local food production, etc.
231	affordable ferries, downtown incoherent layout, Marine ave should be a showpiece, not sleazy pawnshop, hole in wall businesses, Joyce is what?
232	Opportunities for youth to create businesses or connect with local businesses for apprenticeships.
233	Services for aging population Recreational activities for aging population Relevant to age entertainment options
234	On-going promotion of outdoor tourism. Better ferry service for commuter work on the island - keeping people living and spending in our community.
235	Stronger motivation at our City to work with getting business here or working with investors and developers
236	We need industry here if we are going to survive and our city doesn't seem to want that
237	Help people to help themselves
238	Diversify the economy. Increase local self-sufficiency to reduce dependence on import/export and ferry travel and to keep cost of living low.
239	develop and enrich other industries (other than the mill) that are sustainable
240	Employment opportunities for the 20 somethings so that group can leave for education and return with a reasonable expectation of obtaining employment
241	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
242	Get rid of the politicians.....
243	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
244	Sound judgement & decisions from the City. Proper engineer and City planner on staff.
245	address the high costs of ferry travel in and out of here.
246	Be open to innovative business ideas; allow more public input.
247	The rising cost of BC Ferries. Our Youth, sports, activities educational trips etc. The rising cost of ferries is putting a stop to everything.
248	attracting better paying jobs
249	More businesses in the community. Manufacturing rather exporting raw products
250	More industries...high tech type.
251	Work on promoting tourism on Marine Ave. (speakers playing music, street vendors and performers) to attract yachts and sail boats to stop in PR.
252	Diversify the economy Accessable/Affordable ferry system Continue to promote the natural beauty of the area
253	Higher education to be available in town. Expand the university offerings, make it a destination degree university, attract some young people to town.
254	competitive pricing to encourage people to shop locally
255	To keep the paper mill working
256	More financial breaks and opportunities for growth with small businesses.
257	Organic food production. Tourism. Less 'exclusive' housing development. Rich people don't shop in Powell River, they fly or sail out.
258	environment to support small local business less cost to go in and out of town on the ferries

259	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.
260	diversify be more receptive to change, ditch the NIMB attitude.
261	actually hire people who grew up here and live here
262	Another senior's home is needed as the number of older persons is increasing.
263	Keep it local: especially contracts for municipal improvements and construction projects. KEEP THE MONEY IN THE POWELL RIVER AREA WHEREVER POSSIBLE!
264	more employment for the young that is higher than minimum wage
265	For tourism - ferry fees
266	affordable rental space for business people
267	incentives for hiring local contractors and employees, diversify - recognizing the arts and the natural environment as key areas of value
268	Continue to teach/encourage shop-local initiatives Help job seekers find work with and generate income from out-of-town employers (eg. tele-commute)
269	Promotion of small and medium-sized manufacturing industry.
270	Less tax, less charge on natural gas and less charge on ferries will in turn encourage people to spend more locally rather than online for example.
271	Build on the past with an eye to the future. Create a world class museum of forestry. Think Colonial Williamsburg or National Capital Region in Ottawa
272	Job creation. Everything flows from that. Without a job and income, it is difficult for people to survive.
273	Core activities away from building money. The community's foundation must be strong in order to strengthen its economy.
274	Find a way to reduce the ferry fares to make Powell River a more desirable community to live in.
275	Focus away from logging and fishing as main industries. Focus on life style opportunities
276	More chain stores, more jobs, better jobs and better pay rates for employees.
277	Better Ferry service is important. more emphasis on recreational tourism.
278	Ferry services should be free. Subsidized from taxes for Highways across Canada; or provide road access.(this would also create jobs)
279	Revitalize small business. Get rid of Walmart.
280	Attract industry, and make Powell River a realistic tourist destination that will attract return tourism. Designate the ferry system a toll free hwy
281	Reduction in ferry fares and increase opportunities for tourism.
282	work on improvements to the ferry fares bring business and jobs to Powell River to expand economy
283	Encourage small businesses in specialized areas and stop wasting time and resources courting big industry to come here.
284	Focus on Eco Tourism
285	get city hall to allow new businesses, not just for their friends. city hall stifles new business!
286	open up good jobs to the entire community. Not just close friends, relatives and business associates.
287	Facing the reality of an extremely high cost of living and prohibitive cost of travel
288	Salaries at the dysfunctional CDPR office for 'administrator', city clerk must be among the highest in the province. A lot of waste of our tax dollar
289	go back to acting like a small community, not a city.
290	Peg tax increases to the cost of living. Have council start to live within OUR means.
291	Improve and expand tourism. The ferry costs way too much.
292	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?
293	Lower ferry rates Build a road to Squamish
294	More industry with apprenticeship plans so the young people don't have to leave this community.
295	use the EDO to invite industry to our area.VERY VERY important
296	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
297	FERRY TIMETABLE AND COST!
298	cut the licensing costs for the home based businesses. tax big business in a more effective and fair manner
299	We need to address the kind of businesses that would help the community sustain itself. There are too many low paying Jobs not enough long term jobs.
300	Lower ferry fares; increased population; increased tourism
301	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.
302	Allow more businesses and industry to flourish here. Every time I've seen something possible be proposed - Council shoots it down! Competition good!
303	ours is a community on the mainland, yet commerce is stressed due to the strangle-hold of BC Ferries' high cost.

304	Diversification More focus on sustainable business Less focus on industry Fair taxes - no deals Less cronyism Listen to reesidents Kill PRREDS
305	Beautification & Tourism New and Innovative Businesses & Manufacturing Food Security Tool Kit
306	Jobs that pay a fair wage
307	Enhancing it as a retirement and tourism destination.
308	More industry, deep sea port
309	Higher industrial taxes, more focus on tourism, lobby for lower ferry fares
310	the initiatives coming out of city hall are harmful to a societally driven economy.
311	Emphasize and promote to small businesses to look at and take advantage of the opportunities that are waiting for them in their own backyard.
312	Promote and subsidize increasing agriculture. Promote and subsidize healthy living choices Reward volunteer actions
313	encourage more industry
314	We need a local government open to new business/ industry. The protectionist policies and mind set of the powers that be need to end.
315	A highway to Vancouver. DO AWAY WITH THE FERRIED. t
316	Employment for all our citizens, be it creating part-time employment in the way of cleaning up our streets, painting, boulevards, trails, gardening.
317	- more local businesses/support to those that already exist - support of any kind to low income & seniors to participate in powell river's economy
318	Ask the young people as they have ideas. Stop listening to aged men who lack imagination and research skills. Example - Waste water treatment plant!
319	A comprehensive transportation management plan, including lower speed limits in areas with pedestrian traffic and better bike lanes .
320	More jobs for young people.
321	Try to influence fair ferry costs for Powell River.
322	Industry that can employ and sustain young families is vital for Powell River to have a future.
323	Focus on opportunities that will attract young adults and young families. Many young adults would be welcome to move back to PR if given the chance.
324	not resource dependent (a healthy community is diverse) tax mill more small business not chains (they hire better and support their community!) Local
325	increase educational and training opportunities for current employees and youth develop and market Powell River as sustainable economic development
326	Transportation to other communitiesthe ferry costs are a disadvantage to PR to be able to compete with other BC communities.
327	Encourage more businesses to come to our community by lower taxes.
328	Once again, the promotion, protection and encouragement of the City for small businesses. All the work goes to out of town companies.
329	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
330	build a bridge
331	support for small businesses, particularly sustainable locally owned operators support agriculture and food production support tourism
332	Tax breaks for locally owned businesses and assistance for establishing new businesses esp in Townsite
333	increased tourism industry highway construction to Whistler - less dependance on ferry
334	Higher paying jobs.
335	Keep consumer dollars within Powell River. New diversified business . Influx of new full time residents willing to relocate their companies.
336	More development, more business! relying on one major employer (which is shaky at best of times) and a bunch of retail employers is not good.
337	We need to diversify our industry base. We can't rely on logging and the mill to support our town. we need to have supports for an aging population in
338	Lowong the transportation costs for getting in and out of Powell River - yes, the old FERRY RATE argument.
339	Reducing ferry costs.
340	An overland roadway from Powell River to connect to Whistler or Squamish. Access to the lower mainland and the interior of BC. PR is shrinking.
341	change to new community model
342	better paying jobs
343	We need a smelly paper mill like a hole in the head. Attract business geared to new oilless technology. Otherwise we become the next BC ghost town.
344	Attract new industry- whether research, industrial or tourism
345	Creating a sustainable economy that provides an average or higher standard of living.
346	Tourism will not thrive based on the current suite of accomodation offerings -Could our airport schedule etc. be improved for the

traveling worker?

347 encourage green industry with tax incentives

348 bring in some other industries..than what we have, the mill is not enough.....

349 Jobs Ferry cost

350 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!

351 Have Powell River join the Communities First program from the Rural Secetariat of the Government Of BC

352 Bring some different shops here. preferably CANADIAN

353 Larger, more diversifed business sector

354 expand tourism and make the community more attractive

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

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

357 City Council/Staff that aren't so hung up on the idea that Catalyst will keep us sustainable. More effort/resources into tourism & small business

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

359 Free ferries! or very reuced ferry fares.

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

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

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

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

364 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

365 It would be helpful to promote some industrys or small manufaqturing firms.

366 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.I

367 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..

368 Being an isolated community such as we are (ferries), it's difficult for industry to move here.

369 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

370 Reduce tax burden

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

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

373 Better and less expensive ferry service.

374 1. We need a ROAD from Vancouver to be taken seriously by the BC business community. 2. More frequent affordable ferries - to Comox

375 Employment

376 Support small businesses High speed internet in all areas Keep pressuring BC Ferries for reasonable rates

377 food production. legal medical cannabis production. tourism will be less viable very soon due to fuel shortages

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

379 continue to improve waterfront area so it becomes a tourist destination. We have so much but it is so underdeveloped and under marketed.

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

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

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

383 under health of the economy, you did not list the environment!

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

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

386 Diversified sustainable jobs. develop an economy based on strengths--agriculture, beautiful setting, selfsufficiency.

387 Encourage locals to buy homes not tourists, support local farming, entrepreneurs. Work for needs/wants of the community not a select few with money.

388 Build a road that bypasses the ferries, or drastically reduce ferry fares.

389 A highway connecting us to Sechelt area. This would provide a positve step to a new independent (From Ferry increases and strikes) Powell River

390	Develop outdoor tourism
391	All timber from the Community Forest should remain in the community to create value added products/jobs.
392	get rid of the city council members they are a drain on the city budget.
393	Need a way for young people to make a living
394	Reasonable ferry costs or a new road link with Squamish. Lack of access to Powell River will never allow the town to grow.
395	There is a lot of talk about working together, we need to see it actually happening. Not just talking about it, actual projects with real results
396	- tourism - infrastructure
397	Aboriginal tourism, business, culture. gallery - first nations employing first nations people -
398	tourism promotion
399	Water front development to attract tourists; reliable and affordable ferry service
400	Create job opportunities, growth in population, health and successful students/youth
401	Hire more local companies for larger jobs instead of importing. Case in point SPCA building considering american company to build shelter
402	- Decreasing ferry issues + financing fares - Building a Highway to the Lower Mainland for more jobs + less isolation
403	hire locally
404	promote tourism opportunities
405	Lobbying to have a road built to the Lower Mainland so we are not dependent of Ferries or Barges.
406	Continue to diversify. Perhaps ad campain aimed at "zoomers" in national sources promoting lifestyle and weather.
407	We need to protect our mature and old growth forests, fishery sensitive watersheds, the Sunshine Coast Trail, Stillwater Bluffs and ocean front access
408	our own economical development. Create local employment opportunities
409	Only 1 big business in PR. - Dangerous if mill goes down. Need to diversify - for more employment. ie. factory.
410	Sliammon needs to be included more often
411	More tourism and businesses run by Sliammon FN community members
412	less prejudice - be a healthier environment
413	- lower ferry fares, fuel costs - pay only one way for Vancouver Island route, - exclude carbon tax
414	Encouraging local businesses; not making water licenses etc prohibitively expensive.
415	Use our geographic isolation to create an amazing self sustaining community...food, transportation, environmental practices which enhances immigration
416	More jobs
417	More tourism and lower ferry fares or return to BC government owned as part of our highways.
418	More diverse economy
419	More local businesses as opposed to large chain stores. No let David Formosa have too much control over things like zoning and development.
420	Working together
421	Ferry service - no reservations and no increases in fares
422	Do not rely on "tourism". It is a false economy.
423	Youth move away. Seems to be a retirement town.
424	Affordable ferries. Securing new industry. Funding living wage (not basic wage) jobs to ensure young people can live here.
425	Employment opportunities are few and far between.
426	More support for small businesses, home based businesses and food growing businesses
427	Encourage small businesses to come to Powell River and make it the process relatively easy for them. Continue to develop the wharf, waterfront areas.
428	A road to connect across land with BC highways. Focus on promoting eco-friendly outdoor lifestyle place. Ally with First Nations on new industry.
429	Powell River rerquires a highway connection to the interior. The ferry system stifles growth in all sectors including tourism.
430	Lower ferry costs! Grow more food locally. Spend locally.
431	Lower ferry fares. Get rid of some of the decision makers in city hall
432	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.
433	needs a more coordinated approach for spending city funds.
434	Improve city hall attitude to encourage new business, improve harbour for visiting boaters, actively pursue tourism,
435	Job creation. Industry incentives. Tax incentives for buying local. Support local businesses.
436	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:	22	3.55%
FAIR:	245	39.58%
BELOW AVERAGE:	257	41.52%
POOR:	95	15.35%
Total Responded to this question:		619 90.36%
Total who skipped this question:		66 9.64%
Total:		685 100%

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:	6	0.96%
GOOD:	93	14.88%
FAIR:	273	43.68%
BELOW AVERAGE:	209	33.44%
POOR:	44	7.04%
Total Responded to this question:	625	91.24%
Total who skipped this question:	60	8.76%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	353	100%
Total Responded to this question:	353	51.53%
Total who skipped this question:	332	48.47%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Improve community literacy Repeal the Coastal Ferries Act
2	Determine and support living wage.
3	Offer free courses in order to upgrade skills. Offer bonuses for businesses to hire local people.
4	Focus on attracting businesses and helping them to succeed rather than finding ways to frustrate and tax them.
5	Support each other-- buy local.
6	fight to attract new industrty external marketing of PR study what area's we can be succesful at attracting new ind to PR
7	Bring in new and viable businesses. Free up some real estate. Give them tax breaks if necessary
8	Diversify. Encourage small, clean industry. Build tourism. Support adult literacy programs and ESL.
9	Open it's door to business, providing incentives.
10	diversify, support entrepreneurs, create job sharing, implement a living wage
11	support local business's
12	Campaign and educate local people to support local businesses
13	we need more well paying jobs as families cannot survive on low wages, hence more investment in industry in PR
14	Get some more apprentience opportunities
15	encourage "clean" industry, improve the ferry system and prices, more bicycle lanes
16	Concentrate on economic development and not listen to the NIMBY.s
17	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
18	Encourage tourism.
19	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
20	encourage new endeavours cooperation between local governments dont hark on the past access
21	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
22	Diversify job opportunities Reduce the family compacts that run the town
23	Encourage people to support local businesses, those who shop out of town send local jobs away.
24	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.
25	there is too much of a gap between those with jobs and those with low income jobs
26	Encourage local farming and agriculture. Offer incentives for business and industry to locate here Promote the affordability of the community
27	Keep promoting small business and draw people to Powell River with arts, music, VIU alternative courses like in Naturopathic studies, massage etc.
28	Seek out larger corporations, and invite them to base their operations here. Lots of room for light industry and tech.
29	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.
30	encourage compatible, sustainable economic development & have the courage to pursue, practice, live out that alternate lifestyle Enough for all...
31	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.
32	attract educators and people with skills also encourage lower priced housing to be built
33	Need another business of large scale provider other than the mill.
34	More secondary industries employing skilled trades rather than minimum wage
35	Reduce regulations. Support local agriculture and food-processing/supply chain. Worker-owned COOPERATIVES, not big-box wage slavery.
36	Provide a comfortable and welcoming environment for business and other ventures that provide sustainable jobs, this has to involve all of us
37	SD#47 trades program an inspiration - some more programs following this model; make city hall more welcoming to new businesses!

38	Employers pay decent wage Employers follow employment standards
39	I think the community can be more receptive to new large business ventures it is time to shut the naysayers up and do what is best for the future of PR
40	allow new business, diversify, utilize old blgs dont leave them empty
41	Elect a Council that will take seriously the job of attracting new industry before it is too late. MOVE!
42	again diversification of the economic base...inviting and encouraging "green" industry, eco-tourism, small business etc.
43	Create more jobs in and around the marina and lower westview area. We could build a little grocery store down in the old dutch restaurant.
44	improve waterfront for tourism, lower ferry rates
45	diversify: more tourism? a weak reed in the long run but a lot of reeds are strong. we can't continue plundering our natural resources - trees fish
46	see previous
47	Raise funds to start a cultural center, art gallery with positions that are PAID (not volunteer) Expand Vancouver Island University
48	Capitalize on the "isolation", natural surroundings, create an destination appeal, "education destination", private school?
49	Support existing and new small businesses. Explore sustainable light industry.
50	change the culture from say no to everything to lets get working on generating some positive economic activity.
51	More support for small business/home-based businesses.
52	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
53	Powell River is severly handicapped when it comes to attracting young professionals. In most cases only one member of the family has a decent wage
54	pay a decent living wage to encourage young people to stay and work here
55	Attract mid-size business and tourism.
56	Provide good service options for the seniors who are coming to live here and create the new economy . Focus on Tourism
57	See previous comments
58	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
59	Provide funds for people to access training and jobs outside PR
60	see previous answer
61	Educate people academically and in the trades. Follow sustainable practices in industries such as logging and fishing. Protect the environment.
62	Promote PR as a great place to operate a business
63	support green inovation
64	from my experience jobs are harder to come by -employers not willing to pay decent wage to allow people to support families
65	See previous comments. Get our heads out of the sand and business's hand out the butts of our council members.
66	Work together, be open to a variety of possibilities and be willing to make short term sacrifices (tax base) for longer term gains
67	More options for employment, which would mean more employers.
68	Support small business, tourism, organic agriculture and the arts.
69	Note on question 6 I can't answer question 6. I've always had a good, full time job in Powell River. Attract business. Train for the trades.
70	develop tourism potential
71	Hire local people, create jobs, look after out own waste water treatment so it can be used
72	Promote the community with regards to new people moving into the area.
73	make it an attractive and progressive place to live.be innovative.green and sustainable.attract the right investment.don't act desperate!
74	Incentivize new industry. Retain current businesses. Create economic partnerships with other nearby communities.
75	an active & intelligent economic development dept to outreach to sustainable business , waterfront farmers/crafts market with docks for visitor boats
76	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
77	Bringing in high tech. industry. train our people and hire locally.Promote tourism. Make Powell River a welcome place for the tourists.
78	Support employers to provide decent benefits and a living wage for even part-time workers - keeping family needs and long-term wellbeing in mind
79	Support our local businesses! Figure out what things people are going out-of-town for and strive to provide those services and goods in town.
80	attract new business or industry or tourism
81	Many small, sustainable, locally owned businesses. Capitalize on our growing identity as a retirement mecca.

82 See # 2.

83 increase eco-tourism, eco-farming, invite people from other countries to live & open businesses here (see Brandon MB). stop relying on the mill.

84 Always hire local workers and promote small, green businesses.

85 Make this a retirement mecca, with the services to support it.

86 Increase tourism Increase green sustainable enterprises

87 The increase in the minimum wage will help. Stop depending on one big industry. Diversify. Agriculture, tourism and safe clean living for seniors.

88 Nothing can be done, global wars over resources (cheap oil) will lead to decline of populations worldwide & forced change in civilization. Grow food.

89 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.

90 Harness teh talent present in the community and give incentives to these persons to mentor and create new ventures.

91 job training for jobs available in the community (such as Career Link/VIU), expand tourism opportunities, market our area to business organizations

92 Diversification, eliminate dependence on the mill

93 Keep building

94 Sorry folks but I'm afraid poorly equiped folks entering the work force will short change both applicants and employers until education catches up

95 Encourage local trades like furniture making, local farming, tourism attractions.

96 Help people create new businesses

97 opportunities in PR might be less than Vancouver however so is the cost of living etc.

98 Get real about what a community needs most to flourish independently.

99 be creative and unconventional. look ot asset distribution that is not currency dependent

100 BC ferry rates are too high to support businesses in area. Efforts to support economic growth need to focus on small scale not mega projects

101 Better access - lower ferry rates and/or build a rail/road fixed link to lower mainland or interior - we would flourish

102 See previous answers.

103 People are leaving Texada and there are no jobs

104 train up existing employees -- invest in the labour force we have here

105 encourage manufacturing sectors

106 reduce ferry rates / should have a residents' fare as the ferries are part of our highway

107 do not let wages go to low

108 train& support local enterprise

109 Make our city attractive to retirees coming from other communities. Encourage small business.

110 Same as above. Encourage business and industry.

111 give a fair change to devellop jobs on texada keep the quarries active

112 Seek a better transportation deal from the ferry system. Get rid of the current Liberal government in Victoria.

113 attract green industries that require electric power and/or natural gas. Perhaps greenhouse food production.

114 Work on innovative programs to build up skills and retain youth. My company has difficulty finding skilled workers.

115 advertise what makes or community a better place to live and raise a family. happy employees equals sucessful busniess

116 Promote the community & lifestyle options - e.g. e-business opportunities, green initiatives, the arts, support for seniors.

117 -work to bring ferry fares down. -get more light industry and medium size employers

118 Tourism

119 We need more high skill level jobs. Maybe job sharing programs should be explored.

120 We need to get out of our old school thinking that Industry or factory will provide the jobs and start looking at other sectors, tourism, Art, etc

121 Offer more jobs and advancement for university educated, skilled employees that go beyond 40,000\$

122 attract small industries and businesses and give them a chance to get established before taxing them out of existence

123 It would be good if there was that resort I believe

124 attract new businesses and stop the "NIMBY" attitude for new industries that express an interest in building new industrial businesses here.

125 -keep trying new initiatives -keep cost of living low, so those under-employed or with lower wages can afford to stay

126 buy local , lobby for local control of our resources

127 see above it needs the light industry to keep the kids here Apprentice programmes (this is an American programme!)

128 Encourage people to build their own jobs/employment/income , not rely on "a job" from someone else.

129	Encourage home-grown manufacturing for local consumption and export, attract knowledge workers from the city (empty mill office building for that?)
130	People cannot survive on minimum wage. Need to provide opportunities for young people to stay in the community
131	Invest in local small-business.
132	encourage second industry broaden University campus
133	Hire more people to beautify the waterfront and streets of the city,
134	Support businesses, fair wages, promote PR to encourage new residents.
135	- bring in industry
136	More services to seniors. Obtain another industry. Protect natural beauty of the area.
137	Encourage new businesses to locate here, not make it difficult. Reduce ferry fares. Promote the community as a place for remote internet business
138	--sustainable work, agriculture, eco tourism, Sliammon initiatives -complete change in town/regional council, Board of Chambers get rid of the old bo
139	Attract sustainable new business not government supported ones
140	Subsidize local business and agriculture to create jobs and make food and shelter affordable.
141	Remove obstacles like 'overbearing municipal involvement and red tape.
142	work closely with big industries, the mill is the most important source
143	development of micro businesses
144	work with VIU and businesses to sponsor kids to remain in Powell River for their 1st year university - businesses could sponsor poor kids
145	Support and collaborate with local institutions to attract past residents back - young entrepreneurs with fresh ideas and in tune with the times.
146	promote tourism/ outdoor activities
147	promote health care related jobs, we are becoming a retirement community and we need to meet the needs
148	Promote BUY LOCALLY and attract and engage industry and new business.....
149	Put a moratorium on fast food chains and box stores that are empty most of the time. Farming, and tourism would be best
150	Employers must invest in training to upskill their staff. We need more manufacturing businesses to locate to the community and to Texada.
151	Young people need to be able to make decent wage. Lots of skilled people making less than average.
152	Encourage govt. to provide more training opportunities for unskilled residents. Support small business.
153	Assist small business to establish based on improved internet access.
154	Attract people to come here and see it is a great place to live. Many bonuses. The work will come.
155	Have environmentally friendly economy stimulating options - bicycle tourism like the BC Bike Race is a good start.
156	More small business development Community business initiatives Cooperative businesses
157	encourage development by making it easy to develop and competitive tax rates for business
158	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.
159	Diversify
160	Encourage new high tech jobs and provide more training and education to service those jobs
161	Take down barriers and allow companies and people with money, time and desire to come here. THIS IS NOT JUST A RETIREMENT COMMUNITY.
162	Produce a plan to protect our environment and create jobs that enhance PR's environment for retirees and tourism, while creating "smart" jobs.
163	Measure wealth in terms of gross domestic happiness, support agriculture, meat & produce, farm gate sales, encourage/support home based business
164	develop secondary industries and stop relying on the mill
165	Stop logging; develop a cohesive strategy that includes the arts; education; and alternate health within tourism.
166	Incentives for small business
167	I am self-employed (low-level computer programming), I have volunteered to teach programming at the Youth Centre, but it has come to naught....
168	new industry
169	See previous (hiring more local and attracting more businesses)
170	Stop wasting money on PPREDS Council establish and report monthly on business & development initiatives
171	New Industry
172	Economic development and succession planning for existing businesses. Build on our strengths, such as growing the 'creative class'.
173	Connect with one another within the community so that we all know what human resources we might have here, what skills.
174	Continue to diversify the economy, and develop tourism infrastructure

- 175 thinking out of the box - example - having various entities contribute to a common need
- 176 Need to find a major industry for the town that replaces what the mill did for employment in the 1970's. Aluminum smelter? Major recycling plant?
- 177 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.
- 178 offer more university entrance level courses to people so they don't always have to leave PR , higher minimum wage rates,
- 179 Provide infrastructure. Encourage entrepreneurship.
- 180 Encourage the municipality to accept business initiatives like the ones they have turned down in the past.
- 181 encourage entrepreneurial folk who will start up new businesses
- 182 City hall needs to be more progressive and aggressive in IDing what businesses can work here and attracting them.
- 183 Invite another large industry to town. A prison would be excellent.
- 184 ferry situation has us truly isolated Companies think twice before locating here.
- 185 encourage industry and business to move in; remove some of the logistical/costl barriers that are preventing this
- 186 First study sustainability and resilience from a "power-down" and end-of-growth perspective. Try to develop a long-term vision of local resilience.
- 187 less dudes bashing bolders around everywhere, quit focusing constantly on children's activities, close churches in order to promote rational thought.
- 188 Reward people for shopping locally.
- 189 Bring in some new types of businesses that can pay liveable salaries to its workers
- 190 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.
- 191 Encourage medium industry. 20 to 120 employees
- 192 Bring in industry
- 193 Support local business. Increase educational offerings. Change expectations about our standard of living!! We expect to live too richly.
- 194 encourage small, local business
- 195 Encourage industry to situate in powell river. Educate youth regarding existing current and future PR employment opportunities.
- 196 Attract more industry and promote the quality of living in a coastal community. Try to attract more technical jobs for our young people
- 197 working together and thinking outside of the box.....
- 198 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
- 199 Small clean industry promotion is a good start. Communities also need to defend against cut backs from other gov. as these effect employment directly!
- 200 Promote the community. Allow new types of business to come here.
- 201 Encourage our youth to get good educations and proper training
- 202 Market our community as a viable solution and open for business
- 203 Offer incentives for other industries to come here. Make building sites available. Give land tax breaks for new industries
- 204 Answer is obvious!
- 205 Encourage entrepreneurs, especially in the tourism business.
- 206 - employers should create full time positions with benefits to create stability for people trying to patch together a living with part time jobs
- 207 increase schooling, more industry jobs,promote tourism
- 208 keep the new people arriving in Powell River to take over what they want
- 209 In town good apprenticeship training. Value added industries. Stop exporting raw materials.
- 210 encourage small business to supply essential foods and other housholder needs
- 211 Sell Powell River as a tourism and retirement destination and encourage small business to provide services. Make the town attractive to attract money
- 212 look at the person who is applying as a person
- 213 Good tax conditions for companies to settle in PR
- 214 Training available locally to fill local job opportunities.
- 215 higher paying jobs for young so they can stay in community
- 216 advertise powellriver to the WORLD
- 217 see previous. recognize arts, recreation, and eco tourism as key to the economy. hire locally. q. foods & new school were built using outside trades.
- 218 Support local biz & keep local earnings circulating in town Access government funding for job creation & small-business development Biz training
- 219 See 5






220	Create better jobs with better wages and encourage new business to come to Powell River and NOT to rely on that Mill to sustain the economy.
221	Bury the utility lines. Install cutting edge technical advantage such as digital phone, Super high speed internet. Create a tele workers paradise
222	Find secure funding opportunities that keep jobs available to the community. Pay people appropriately for skill level.
223	Develop tourism industry, fight high cost of ferries.
224	Provide a TRUE means of connecting jobs with people in the fields they are already trained in.
225	Perhaps another survey to see what employers in Powell River are looking for and then provide the training at VIU for these people.
226	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
227	Promote and give incentives to small businesses.
228	Attract industry, create an exceptionally friendly atmosphere for businesses to locate here. Do whatever is necessary about the high cost of ferries.
229	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
230	Start working together as a community. There are few opportunities for most people to express their ideas to the "movers and shakers".
231	encourage new business
232	Get creative, take a chance, and go big.
233	We're isolated and expensive; affordability is a huge challenge with no solution.
234	Not a clue.
235	Reduce the cost of business licences to stores or increase the cost of home based business licences. Too much disparity at present.
236	I think Powell River should try to directly attract more freelance and outsourced workers as a great place to live. Overall growth in all areas
237	Wages in PR are artificially high due to union wages being paid at mill and CDPR, fire dept + inflated salaries at council office.
238	Create more sustainable jobs
239	People at City Hall shouldn't make it so hard for folks to start a home based business.
240	Industry, high paying skilled employment
241	Open up avenues for the less connected folk in town....
242	reduce home taxes so people aren't living to work
243	Strong focus on customer service and return business.
244	Keep on training people and keep educational costs reasonable and accessible.
245	All more business here. Attract business / industry. Break the "old boys network" that has a stranglehold on this area!
246	The mill and housing development provide neither sound economic development or stable jobs. Look outside PR for new types of businesses/employers.
247	Raise wages to provincial/government standards. Do something (I have no idea what) to encourage FULL TIME jobs, not part time.
248	Attract tourism Create jobs offer longterm employment with good wages. Not trade specific
249	Get away from the "Big Industry" mentality and think of things that will enhance the intellectual and ecological aspects of our town.
250	Encourage new business.. lower property taxes.
251	Improve tourism, encourage smaller business and entrepreneurs
252	remove barriers
253	Make it possible for people on social assistance to keep what they earn until their income rises above the poverty level
254	encourage more industry to base operations here
255	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
256	Build a prison
257	a road TO vancouver. It would bring businesses, More people, and wouldn't cost as much as the ferries in the long run, Roads wouldn't break down ,
258	draw other industry and encourage small business growth
259	Apply for employment grants for low income persons, some of our tax monies go to fixing boulevards, cleaning sidewalks, painting bldgs, enhancing PR
260	- 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
261	Vote differently in the next provincial and federal elections Pay more but insist on no more contracting out, give the jobs to PR companies.
262	attract woodfibre related industry, almost all the wood harvested in our area is shipped to mills outside our community
263	Cut back on the number of local government staff and paid fire department staff. Lower taxes for the private sector.

264	Our local employment center should not inflate job seeker success by claiming a person who found work for a day has successfully gained employment.
265	encourage small business, they hire more full time at better rates for their size don't rely on one type of business for jobs
266	have employment that provides a sustainable and living wage
267	Keep diversifying the economic base.
268	Employers should look at local applicants, first and foremost, before looking at outside applicants.
269	No truly innovative thinking in this community. The City is a problem because staff do not have the expertise to recognize the possibilities.
270	Infrastructure- buses, housing, child care so poor can work; Encourage health, soc service, tourism + labour (factory, manufacture, farm, textiles)
271	we need work that will attract young people and young families into the community - home based businesses, arts, and cultural, educational.
272	Support for locally developed businesses esp. those that are environmentally responsible
273	change attitude toward new ideas presented increase profile of community as coastal retirement, eco education centre
274	Review the emphasis on local business, which can prevent employment opportunities for more people, and limit wage options.
275	seek out and bring in more business! I've heard council has driven business out with ridiculous demands and don't want growth. this has to change!
276	Support the tourism and service sectors of our local economy. put less emphasis on large industry.
277	Development a plan to attract business and manufacturing to Powell River.
278	24 hour overland hiway access to the rest of the province and country is needed. many in PR and area appear to work in the underground cash economy.
279	community networks for main needs
280	Get rid of the mill and give the same tax breaks that catalyst is getting to attract new technology. Battery, solar, wind powered devices.
281	The community is slowly turning into a retirement community - in order for PR to grow, we need jobs that attract young families
282	-Employers can be transparent and have open dialogue about their staffing needs (current and future) -support those w 2 jobs, offer job sharing
283	to continue to build a sense of community, through special events and a continuing beautification of the area
284	diversity for employment openings...more permanant jobs vs tourist season jobs...bringing more industries...
285	Actually do something instead of more studies, Attract small industry; a problem with transportation costs Build on retirement housing,health care
286	To welcome investment to Powell River and go out and recruit employers to bring jobs to Powell River. Put a cruise ship facility at the harbor.
287	encourage small business
288	more summer employment for students entice new alternate business stop concentrating on making PR a retirement centre- augment with other industry
289	research the demographics and determine the specific wants and needs.
290	Build thriving Tourism and Small Business sectors.
291	Hire locally and accept local bids before seeking beyond.
292	job wages need to equal cost of living and that is a big gap, especially with such high rents
293	encourage entrapanuers for new small-businesses promote shopping locally focus commerce down-town/Marine Ave
294	lobby the province and the feds to provide funds for skill development and provide incentives to new business to relocate here.
295	become educated in a field that powell river will continue to require in the comning years. focus on health care, agriculture, education.
296	Buisnesses are hiring students at part time, which is taking full time jobs away from adults who need them, because hiring students is cheaper
297	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.
298	more people r leaving their fams 2 go find work elsewhere...cost 2 much 2 live, wages dont keep up, not enough jobs
299	They need employment for younger people with families. They spend a lot more money in the community that seniors do.
300	Reduce the size of government put the tax dollars back in the hand of the consumers it's that simple
301	support innovative community building long-term jobs creating goods or offering services
302	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
303	Become a model community to educate the world out of the New World Order.
304	Press for a road link to Vancouver and new factories in the local community. PR needs to change its 'mindset' of keeping apart from the rest of BC
305	Training and Apprentiships
306	Buy local
307	four day work week to spread the limited hours available. allow production and sale of medical marijuana.






308	Local training at professional level (this keeps the trainee from going elsewhere and possibly never coming back.) Health care workers etc.
309	Build tourism for all seasons
310	see: answer to quest. #5
311	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.
312	offer excellent infrastructure/community recreation/health services/etc.
313	Quit turning people away who have good ideas to start a business in town
314	New vision of self-sustaining industries and services based on true assessment of global and local limits. Bold leadership to make the vision real.
315	Encourage tourism, especially in the shoulder and winter season.
316	Create a port. With a transportation link to the Mainland that can bypass Vancouver.
317	The most important thing is to recognize that the old model for the economy is not working and it is only a matter of time until there is a collapse.
318	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
319	Perhaps a committee could research & provide creative suggestions of using Powell River assets/resources to support the basis of employment.
320	Pray that the mill doesn't close. Or bring in more businesses.
321	Either not cater to big business, or have an obligation for them to employ people or contribute somehow.
322	diversify...mill is OVER so get OVER IT!!!
323	Qualified workers
324	support for small business and real estate development
325	Definitely need more jobs. I notice lack of First Nations people employed in certain businesses, seek joint venture opportunities
326	Increase wages to give people a cost of living increase commensurate to gas, ferry and food increases
327	We need to utilize our own resources, like forestry+seafood, expand/capitalize on our natural industries. Enterprise with businesses related to the same
328	Education and training
329	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 community
330	Continue to offer incentives for med/large business to relocate here. Look to Asia for opportunities.
331	Expand the hospital services, the V I University, Academy of Music, PRACL and encourage tourism through protecting our mature forests and streams.
332	Training and hiring of our people
333	Just not enough jobs - entry level jobs needed for low income folks.
334	Sliammon needs to be on the agenda of topics as a priority
335	To develop a long term plan which can support SA recipients to move from poverty to self dependency / independency
336	same as Q5
337	In Sliammon there is too much nepotism
338	Too much outsourcing - need more home grown organic - sensitive to xxx and needs of services
339	Create an environment that families wish to bring their children up in, more people equals more services equals more jobs.
340	Better political representation. Better political education. More jobs.
341	Ensure newcomers are treated equally when applying for jobs! Should not all be who you know in PR!!
342	Develop sustainable industries.
343	Fair wages
344	Offer full time positions
345	Realistic assessment of resource based vs. "green happy" jobs. Both are needed.
346	Lack of living wage jobs for young and mid-career workers. Our chances to attract new industry are fair if we drop ferry costs. Drop NIMBY.
347	Promote healthy employment chances. If EI clients want something better, they should be sponsored.
348	More skill training. Promote going for university degrees. Don't look for one magic solution.
349	Provide a land based connection to Canada.
350	Be more inviting to small businesses that are innovative and trying new things. Help them to succeed by being a link to other services.
351	don't rely on big projects or business to supply work.
352	I think that question is the one that nobody seems to be able to answer.
353	local business tax incentives for job creation and growth.

9.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	170	27.2%
GOOD: 	293	46.88%
FAIR: 	117	18.72%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	31	4.96%
POOR: 	14	2.24%
Total Responded to this question:	625	91.24%
Total who skipped this question:	60	8.76%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	42	6.72%
GOOD: 	233	37.28%
FAIR: 	213	34.08%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	92	14.72%
POOR: 	45	7.2%
Total Responded to this question:	625	91.24%
Total who skipped this question:	60	8.76%
Total:	685	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:	339	100%
Total Responded to this question:	339	49.49%
Total who skipped this question:	346	50.51%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Adopt progressive models for community consultation on important strategic community issues
2	Stop resisting ideas from anywhere else. Enough with the 'made in Powell River solutions'. It just becomes an excuse to not change anything.
3	City Council must pay attention to public input
4	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.
5	Be more inclusive. Find a way to reach out to newcomers and / or provide a way for them to meet others and get involved.
6	become involved in community groups attend public info sessions join a non profit or two attend periodically Council & regional dist mtg's
7	Participate
8	Support ESL and ESL social events. All community social and recreational groups need to put continued effort into reaching newcomers.
9	Get involved.
10	Get involved, volunteer, contribute your gifts
11	get involved! don't cry apply
12	get involved!
13	use the opportunities that are out there to have your say, if there isn't one create one
14	get out and participate in things
15	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.
16	Council should not let a handful of naysayers dictate what they do.
17	Volunteer, keep an open mind, and give back.
18	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.
19	participate encourage welcome then consider new ideas dont hark on what P R was!!! accept that change is inevitable & may be positive or negative
20	Get involved. Don't allow those with a vested interest in doing so to maintain the status quo.
21	To participate and be informed Use the IT available for keeping the public informed
22	If people want to fell like they belong, they have to get involved in any way they are able.Spend more time effecting change and less time complaining
23	There are many organisations to join and lots of volunteering to do. New citizens should get together with other new citizens.
24	volunteer. Find out what people are thinking. Give joy to those who need it.
25	do what you enjoy doing and what you are passionate about
26	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.
27	Still an 'old family' kind of town. Public input is asked for but not listened to.
28	Join clubs or organizations to belong, step up to lead.
29	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!!
30	Have leadership actually listen to what the majority really wants.
31	keep involved and informed
32	Council to closed off and old fashioned.
33	ensure the city council abides by our wishes
34	Old boys club still the mainstay - new ideas not accepted unless they fit the mould of existing thinking
35	Replace Mayor & Council with people responsive to the wishes of the citizens. Meanwhile it's a waiting game to change the old-boy us-them mindset.
36	Strive to "do it ourselves" and not wait for some other organization/government/group to initiate
37	volunteer and join committees
38	Start taking initiative and stepping forward to become leaders to help move Powell River forward as a whole.

39 open forums at city hall

40 A recent study put Powell River as one of the worst places in Canada to live-Allsgard is responsible. Public consultation is insufficient.

41 -getting involved in something that you feel passionate about -encouraging leadership in the school system -support the arts

42 Join groups of their interest

43 join an organization, a non-profit. help out. give of yourself in some way

44 Pay attention to what's going on. Volunteer.

45 pro development groups have to band together and become vocal before the eco-terrorists completely destroy our economy

46 People need to get informed. Too many people complain about issues they really don't know anything about. Way too much ignorance.

47 People need to get involved and attend meetings. Those who are interested will do that.

48 Council should really listen and not keep trying to appease the mill. Regional district is lacking in maintaining focus on natural environment .

49 SEE PREVIOUS COMMENTS

50 volunteering; helping others

51 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?

52 Attending council meetings. Councillors are too influenced by opinions of City staff.

53 Educate people about diversity. Teach them that negative attitudes and assumptions are the biggest barriers to people with visible differences.

54 The community doesn't seem to be heard when decisions are to be made. They speak up but the right people are not always listening.

55 Be informed; attend events; volunteer

56 -PR is a cliquy town - those outside the municipality can't influence many decisions - support small community centres; Stillwater, Craig Rd. etc.

57 get involved

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

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

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

61 Access and knowledge

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

63 Be active and don't let the (very) vocal minority sway good decisions.

64 Participate in as many social and cultural events as possible.

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

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

67 People who grew up here are very cliquy. While friendly they are not very open or accepting of new people.

68 people need to be properly informed on all issues...

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

70 get involved ,

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

72 Participation, and get involved.

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

74 Join community groups.

75 change the city council

76 City Council doesn't even pretend to consult this town about what IT wants to do. This town has a serious, long term, systemic political disease.

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

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

79 Volunteer and get involved.

80 Get involved.

81 Network Volunteer Get involved

82 Participate, participate participate!

83 Have council listen when we have referendums on issues. e.g. Incinerator, new library, north harbour, walking track. etc.

84 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

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

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

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

88 Involvement

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

90 Volunteerism and transparency

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

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

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

94 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.

95 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

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

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

98 This relates only to Texada

99 Participate!

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

101 get out and vote

102 vote, and care for the community

103 the elected officials do not listen to us.they are dominated by developers & corporations. not willing to try new ideas.

104 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

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

106 send out more surveys on paper or via internet as a person than has a change to exprees those important things

107 Too bad, many in Powell River do not derive their income directly from local economy. Thus they are comfortable and also apathetic to local politics.

108 take part

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

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

111 Participate

112 Participate

113 need to bridge the gap between City Government and public, there is little to no trust exist between the two

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

115 Ask their skills and interests and slot that into volunteerism

116 Get involved.

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

118 get more youg people involved. it seems that it is the senior (aged)are carrying more of the load than is necessary.

119 hold leadership accountable to community input through participation

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

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

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

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

124 Elect a council receptive to the peoples voice. As a citizen, being open to others proposals and ideas. Being active in politics.

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

126 participate

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

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

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

130 Get involved,connect with like minds

131	- voice opinions - be positive - listen to other- advocate for those less fortunate than your self
132	Attend local ratepayers' meetings. Participate wherever possible.
133	Belonging is easier, make efforts to participate in what is here. Leadership is more difficult; be rationale not radical
134	Get out and get informed
135	Participate in grass-roots politics. Elect a city council that is competent and people-oriented. Organize to bring together like-minded people.
136	Creative thinking and involving themselves in affairs that influence meaningful decision making
137	volunteer work
138	participation
139	To continue the friendly, laid back atmosphere started by the pioneers of this area. Don't bring in big city ways.
140	join volunteer groups
141	people need to take part in events, to many people want things but are not willing to help out.
142	Involving more new comers by holding open forums etc.
143	get involved, volunteer, join associations, go to events, meet people, get engaged.....
144	Our city leadership dont listen when we speak so people have given up trying to talk to them. Not worth speaking to deaf ears.
145	Get involved. Listen to all sides of the story.
146	Being involved, there are lots of opportunity to take part in decision making.
147	Taking part in the many associations that are concerned with the welfare of Powell River. Changes will happen with the strenght of our voices.
148	Go out and participate.
149	Try to counter the "born here vs. newcomer" dynamic Intentional efforts to include youth in leadership development, municipal affairs
150	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
151	More community-building activities
152	Local Government listening to people.
153	Belonging is excellent; however regional residents and city residents are both shut out of decisions.
154	Current council are NOT LISTENING to the people!! The mill and sewer is one issue, the "Great Wall of Malta is another. Who allowed THAT!?
155	The regional directors have their own agendas and have little understanding of the need of the community and how we should plan for tomorrow
156	Get involved, have places of safe communication to share ideas and differences of opinion. Diversity = strength, show solutions through compromise
157	having council recognize that special interest groups are made up of individuals, and listen to them individually not dismiss them out of hand
158	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
159	Fair and equitable treatment for all
160	Volunteer, take part and contribute
161	get involved
162	Vote in a council that will clean up staff and the aura of aloofness at City Hall. CANDO not "can't be done".
163	World change is happening exponentially. Leaders must see that new people with new ideas & new ways of doing things should be investigated and embrace
164	Open House, Forums, Information sessions, Update sessions
165	we need to have more say in decisions that are made by council. MORE REFERENDUMS.
166	Having a job,making money,being able to feed, shelter their familes,keep families together.
167	be involved, take responsibility for being informed and educated about local issues,
168	vote at civic elections, voice opinions at council meetings,
169	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
170	Join something you're interested in and get involved. More interest groups (ie kayak club) would help.
171	Volunteer wherever you can.
172	speak out and consider all other opinions too; be part of the solution not part of the problem; work together
173	Be interested. Be informed. Engage the processes happening now, government and social.
174	Close fairyland houses of worship, create community centres for adults, act upon statements of constituents. Disallow Formosa from owning everything
175	You're on the right track. I might move there as I had a dream that you were an elightened society meeting in a great hall with 2 live performance th

176 Create a non-partisan group to advocate for community needs- youth facilities / greenspace / events

177 Be inclusive and open

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

179 Become involved in some community volunteering

180 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.

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

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

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

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

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

186 People's legitimate concerns need to be HEARD and listened to. Trust that the local government hears the concerns of the people will go a long way.

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

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

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

190 Getting involved & being informed about the topics being discussed

191 volunteer to help Get involved

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

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

194 stay informed and be involved

195 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.

196 Volunteer where people feel comfortable sharing their skills

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

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

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

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

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

202 Attend council meetings, write letters, make their voice heard, volunteer.

203 include everyone not just certain groups

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

205 volunteer and get involved in anything that you are compassion about

206 quit putting down anyone with a diff. opinion

207 run for council. vote. come out to meetings (although often it still feels you don't get heard).

208 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

209 Being heard. Also to stand up and be heard not to just take things as they are because that's how it is!

210 join groups, event planning, volunteer, boards, etc.

211 Volunteer to do stuff for any of the 1200+ societies functioning here. Show up and participate.

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

213 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.

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

215 more needs to be done to encourage the young adults to take ownership of developing Powell River.

216 Become more involved with community functions.

217 Become involved wherever needed.

218 Become active in community groups. Volunteer.

219 participate in events of the community get involved by volunteering

220 New people need to be accepted. I hate being refered to as a "newbie" when I have been here since 2004. This is an insular place. Be welcoming.

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

222 city hall does what it wants, no matter what. sewage treatment anyone?

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

224 Weed out the corrupt individuals who influence so much out of the public eye.

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

226 Get involved. If you are retired - volunteer.

227 Join up and participate in community organizations

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

229 Getting good people to run for Council.

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

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

232 get involved in some way

233 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

234 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 us.

235 People need to join groups and organizations and get involved, which is easier to do here than in many communities.

236 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.

237 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

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

239 Accept new comers and support business that have owners from outside the community End the old boys network

240 To make sure ALL the people are listened to and not just those of a certain political or socio- economic persuasion.

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

242 silly question

243 Make city council realize that they represent us and not the mill. They should listen to us more and do what we want them to do.

244 Initiate small neighbourhood events for communication with elected reps providing means and ways for people with disabilities to participate

245 get involved

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

247 attend church

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

249 New Library ! Buidings for entertainment.

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

251 - attended community functions and meetings

252 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.

253 The "mill town" mentality does little to help newcomers feel they belong here.

254 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

255 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

256 All people, considering ethnicity, should be represented.

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

258 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

259 Have more things to do for people age 20-30 yrs. Advertise. Too many things in this town rely on word of mouth.

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

261 Emphasis on welcoming newcomers Public display and acknowledgement of diversity

262 Be active get involved . Strive to better the business community. Embrace growth Ensure that elected officials are proactive and transparent

263 get informed, get involved, boot out town council who happen to own most business in town - move for progress and growth by electing younger people

264 Chances ot be heard. Programs that support all members of the PR community.

265 Take an active part in election campaigns - civic, provincial and federal. Attend Town Hall meetings.

266 one must join activity groups (ike anywhere else) belong to some form of volunteer group.

267 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

268 Become active in community oriented groups. Attend civic and political events and meetings.

269 get rid of business people on council at City Hall - even the appearance of bias reflects poorly on the works being done.

270 - get involved in community organizations

271 - professional development -learn together - ex Alofi Consultants put on "non violent communication" excellent cross sector participation

272 Read the paper....ask questionsgo to meetings....ask friends for their opinion on activities , what they would change...why...get involved

273 Stand up be counted and participate, volunteer to help an organization

274 Not to exculde people that are different or have different ideas

275 Open government

276 keep an open mind about new ideas

277 learn to take a stand on issues

278 Become informed and get involved!

279 For newcomers, it can be challenging to find information that locals inherently know. A central online database for newcomers would be fabulous.

280 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

281 be informed and when lobbying local gov't do it in a non-confrontational way

282 Appreciate powell river for its natural beauty. Take pride in the good people of our community. Attend functions of your chocie and become part of it.

283 People who have an opinion need to get out and go to community meetings, or else nothing will progress.

284 Introduce yourself to your neighbours. Get involved in different organizations that appeal to you.

285 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

286 Becoming involved in community, volunteering

287 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.

288 Vote in all elections

289 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

290 A new modern era is depserately needed... those not born here will be outsiders.... that is myopic and dangerous for the health of a community!

291 Volunteer

292 Volunteer, join clubs and organizations, utilize organizations like CRC, youth centre and Family Place Write letters and attend council meetings

293 participate in bottom up grass roots community efforts like transition town, CJMP, prpaws

294 Bringing opinions to the surface, "the squeaky wheel gets the grease" let the media know radio and newspaper. Leaders must listen, no bias allowed.

295 the oportinity to get involved is there

296 compromize and negotiate with people of diff. views; vote in differnet leaders; hire co. for a community vision/plan of PR & put in place.

297 Take an active part in community affairs. Vote.

298 When given a sense of feeling welcomed, validated and that you belong eliminates barriers and creates door opening & opportunities.

299 Make voices heard to government whenever possible, both formally and informally. Develop and support candidates who will represent our point of view.

300 Volunteer or participate in community events.

301 Saltry Bay to Lund including Texada, have to work together to plan and develop the North Sunshine coast.

302 Council should start to listen. End the lies, corruption, ignorance, and economic and political blackmail. Have accurate reporting by the local paper.

303 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.

304 get voted into a position and make a difference

305 Get informed about what is happening. Maybe improve the information included in The Peak.

306 more opportunity for youth so they stay here





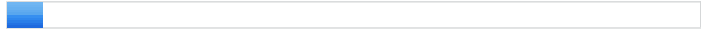
307 Voting in municipal elections / voting in Sliammon elections

308 meet and talk with elected leaders; attend community meetings; make an effort






309	Participation - getting involved
310	Make sure ALL persons feel included + follow through with them for questionnaires, comments, feed back, etc...
311	Being heard, in terms of constructing of new development , no consideration of locals
312	take responsibility for what they know/don't know Use "Open Space" concept for input from all stakeholders
313	Become involved, don't wait for an invitation.
314	Our elected officials should listen more to the public. We need zoning and bylaws to protect agricultural and residential land use and our water.
315	Get involved. Lots going on in PR. Have to say something to have a say.
316	We must become informed and involved with something(s) of interest or concern in the community.
317	Sliammon must be a priority in addressing / acknowledging traditional lands / territories
318	The community of PR has been working towards creating an environment, safety and sense of leadership opportunities for FN people, which is positive
319	listening to the community members
320	Establish a community own Governance System True Democracy
321	Elected chief at Council are largely selected on popularity rather than substance
322	Get involved, be welcomed and genuinely acknowledge and appreciated for your involvement. Open governance, approachable leaders, round tables
323	- 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
324	A person needs to be interested in participating
325	Be more involved in your interests. Avoid negativity
326	Volunteering
327	Lack of inclusive information - the "Local Paper" and so-so radio are not adequate.
328	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.
329	Be able to be invited and involved. Have teens provide leadership to the younger children.
330	get involved
331	More openness by politicians. Better effort to inform community and get their participation. Stop meeting behind closed doors.
332	Remove all the old guard (not referring to council here) at City Hall and replace them with progressive thinkers. This community could rock!
333	get involved
334	Elected officials and administrators have to start listening to the electorate
335	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".
336	have a more open attitude to new people and ideas
337	Actively encourage new participants.
338	join associations/clubs, volunteer, show up to events, talk to people, engage, buy local, be positive, contribute thru awareness of programs.
339	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: 	22	3.72%
GOOD: 	191	32.32%
FAIR: 	263	44.5%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	88	14.89%
POOR: 	27	4.57%
Total Responded to this question:	591	86.28%
Total who skipped this question:	94	13.72%
Total:	685	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: 	15	2.47%
GOOD: 	114	18.75%
FAIR: 	260	42.76%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	155	25.49%
POOR: 	64	10.53%
Total Responded to this question:	608	88.76%
Total who skipped this question:	77	11.24%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	302	100%
Total Responded to this question:	302	44.09%
Total who skipped this question:	383	55.91%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	ESL Training
2	Wages in PR generally won't support raising a young family. Establish and support living wage.
3	employment opportunities lower taxes training options available at VIU
4	well paying jobs
5	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.
6	Through Welcome Wagon, make provide them with a list of churches and organizations and how they can learn more about or join them.
7	encourage the joining community groups and get involved having welcome to PR INFO SESSIONS BY THE CITY ITS SELF
8	Be welcoming. Don't hide behind the old boys network. Thankfully the old boys are fading.
9	need a community organization that focuses on welcoming newcomers, and helping them find the groups and institutions that meet their need and interest
10	Provide an orientation of services and events.
11	continue welcome wagon, newcomer's social, offer a free 6 month subscription to The Peak.
12	be friendly, open minded
13	provide jobs for them!
14	be friendly to the new family on the block, invite them to participate in community activities
15	low cost housing
16	We need to have better post secondary education available so that youth do not need to leave town to get further education.
17	Question 13 mixes apples and oranges. They can make friends, but there are few jobs available for the young!
18	Free passes to recreation for six months; hockey, dance, etc. or even up to 2 years. Form a welcoming committee or newbies support...
19	Make newcomers feel welcome. Ie Newcomer's Social.
20	get them involved in a group. Church, toastmasters, other groups
21	Open ourselves to new ideas, new ways of doing things.
22	Accept foreigners Improve tolerance Facilitate the inclusion of First Nations into the community
23	Job opportunities are key to people being feeling a part of the community. Work associates expand new people's social network.
24	Invite them to join organisations.e.g. ratepayers assoc., children should become involved in sports, council of canadians. academy of music.
25	see my previous comments. Don't ignore them
26	Young people can make friends here and fit into the community easily but there are very few jobs for them
27	Excellent to have youth centre so youth feel valued and important. This was a community event.
28	Expand the Welcome Wagon program to include a 1 week, a 1 month, and a 3 month phone call follow-up.
29	Tough sometimes : work @ reasonable wage a prob - house prices increasingly a prob - If job there, it's a great place for young families
30	Unless they can find good work, young families can't stay in PR, or choose to move here
31	have a good supply of low cost and varied housing --from loft space to houses of all types
32	Again, industry prospects poor for young families to stay here or for the youth to return.
33	More things like the Welcome Wagon
34	Hard to know - small town u can get superficially involved very easily but not able to really be part of the place
35	Support & strengthen initiatives like the Community Resource. Have City Hall act as a better clearinghouse for information.
36	Support any effort that offers long term and stable employment for younger people
37	Host an annual expanded "get acquainted" event in a public venue (i.e. Willingdon Beach Park or Rec Complex) similar to Newcomers business event
38	Support Welcom Wagon as a service New comers night
39	There just are not a lot of jobs in the community for young people, especially jobs that pay more than minimum wage

40 support them,

41 There is no jobs for new families lest you open another restaurant! We are on the sea...use it to create new industry! PLEASE!

42 keep a viable workforce that provides decent jobs which pay above minimum wage

43 jobs

44 it all comes down to employment

45 The aforementioned low-income housing. Sustain services such as Career Link and Community Resource Centre.

46 need to have good paying job opportunities or business opportunities

47 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.

48 There are only two large employers in Powell River If you dont have the training for either of them you are stuck in a minimum wage job

49 again provide decent paying employment

50 I think we do lots

51 ELECT A NEW COUNCIL

52 jobs, education

53 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.

54 Provide immigrant employment services. The problem is, there may not be a large-enough critical mass of immigrants to qualify for funding.

55 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".

56 Continue holding the newcomers event at the Rec Centre; have real estate agents and rental managers provide community orientation materials

57 Lots of good work is in train for immigrants; we need more support for young families; workplace child care; studio/workshop space; collective promos

58 encourage employers to hire more people and pay a decent wage

59 Provide more opportunities. Orientation for new people. The yearly welcoming event at the complex is a good start.

60 Not sure but services and opportunities for youth are sadly lacking. There is not much opportunity for employment for those graduating high school.

61 need more opportunities....pr has a tendency to do things half ass...like the pool, skatepark not well done

62 Improve affordable housing options and transportation. more choices for post secondary education.

63 Access and knowledge

64 Increase employment opportunities with suitable pay and encourage integration with our First Nations community as well as immigrants.

65 Get then involved. Loose the "born in Powell River" mentality. Much of the vitality of the community comes from those who are not "from here"

66 Arranging jobs.

67 We need job opportunities, lower rent

68 powell river needs to diversify the economic base!the energy has to shift in this town...it has so much potential,but it has a long way to go.

69 Be receptive to new comers. Do our best to ensure positive customer service inside and outside of our places of business. Be genuinely friendly.

70 the new immigrant training program at PREP is fantastic, initiatives to showcase other cultures is a good idea,

71 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.

72 Visit them and invite them to the community's gathering.

73 A non-profit community centre built like a cafe/restaurant with live music and local art will provide all the lively networking this community needs.

74 Affordable rental housing and more creative economic development

75 more neighbourhood events

76 Have a town party to meet newcomers every year or so. A bash so we can all get acquainted.

77 Hold regular community events, make information about community groups and activities readily available.

78 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.

79 Encourage older people to retire. Support businesses that have young owners.

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

81 Be more inclusive rather than protecting the status quo.

82 Job creation

83 Be welcoming. Employ them.

84 We need people with skills and talent. finding a job and having no special skill or training is difficult.

85 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

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

87 Reach out, but the new comers have to take advantage of every possibility to meet and participate in as many opportunities to meet others.

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

89 friendships and information regarding their interests, example: biking, hiking, music, etc. Clear info and how to search for a job in P.R.

90 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

91 I have no experience re immigrants. Folks here tend to stay in P.R. and accordingly have large circles of family/friends and have no need for more

92 Help them out instead of judging them

93 people with the "right attitude" can fit in anywhere and PR is no exception.

94 Talk to your neighbours. Have a neighbourhood party.

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

96 cultural events/ youth leadership and youth directed intitatives

97 Have jobs for them.

98 This applies only to Texada

99 more diversity awareness and activities, continue with youth driven projects like employment training, community initiatives and YAC

100 Use the welcome wagon as an intro to services rather than to promote certain businesses.

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

102 encourage small enterprise.

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

104 Have one spot where questions about services, ect. can be accessed my new arrivals.

105 again paay attention to texada school and find students to live and learn somethings on our island

106 People in Powell River are friendly and kind. Yet it is hard to get a foothold for newcomers due to high house & land prices and limited jobs.

107 Employment

108 Continue to make them welcome.

109 -work to provide jobs and reasonably priced housing -make a conscious effort to counteract racism, sexism, and other prejudices

110 Give them a good paying job and amenities.

111 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

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

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

114 -offer new family-friendly opportunities, or existing ones more inclusive (eg. with child minders available) -activities in parks -more notice boards

115 cut the cost of renting or owning a home.

116 the population bomb has exploded , we should not encourage immigration !

117 Talking, saying good morning, holding doors, asking if you can help, all the things that a caring community should do but often doesn't

118 Bring back the Newcomers Fair! It was great.

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

120 Free daycare. Free extra curricular activities either through school and outside of school.

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

122 more open houses to social clubs broaden welcome wagon duties

123 Encourage the Peak to write more of the good things happening in Powell Ricver. Community Living is doing a good Job.

124 More supported training and employment programs

125 House job kind neighbors.

126 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.

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

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

129 Make sure that jobs are available and food and housing are affordable.

130 Try to make the community more accessible through events and local business sponsorships

131 finding work opportunities

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

133 Share local information

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

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

136 Powell River rents have skyrocketed since albertans have bought houses they only live in 2 weeks out of the year. We need to have a local rent subsidy

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

138 I moved here from another city and quickly found work as did my wife. Our first jobs were not great. PR tends to be a who you know town.

139 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

140 Fulfilling employment. Our community 's population is skewed very much to the upper end. It is not healthy.

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

142 We need more resources for young adults (social, economic, etc) Invite a more diverse range of immigrants to settle here Increase visible diversity

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

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

145 Provide seamless support, encouragement, mentorshi, and training

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

147 Provide well paying jobs

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

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

150 having more jobs available

151 Promote a diversity center

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

153 Continue on with the "Newcomer Nights" Expand the Tourist Bureau to include info for new residents. How about an annual dance/bbq to welcome them

154 Be open and accepting.

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

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

157 community organization lists seasonal community activities calendar

158 having more places where immigrants can go to meet people so they can adjust to their new town more effectively.

159 welcome wagon people, inclusion, church involvement

160 welcome wagon

161 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

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

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

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

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

166 Immigration for the most part should have been banned in 1975, don't continue allowing multi culturalism into the community. Alas, not possible now

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

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

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

170 Jobs, Jobs, Jobs

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

178 Be helpful. Have a welcome party for new comers once a year. Organize kids games while parents get to know one another.

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

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

181 Provide entertaining venues for all ages

182 support them by buying from them if they are competitive

183 First they need jobs!

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

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

186 Be welcoming and tolerant

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

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

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

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

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

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

193 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.

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

195 More activities indoors and out. Look at other cities. If Powell River considers itself 'a City' then it should have similar access to city life.

196 offer job stability

197 Alter the welcome wagon model to draw people out to events and groups rather than simply offering shopping for stuff.

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

199 Provide them with resources so they can make educated choices about what they wish to pursue in order to make friends and find work.

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

201 Value them for choosing Powell River. help them to contribute their skills and talents.

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

203 Help in finding work or creating new opportunities.

204 Find out who is new here and be welcoming. Take a chance and open up to new ideas.

205 to get work in this town is hard. skills matter little, who you know is everything.

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

207 Focus on healthy outdoor activities and far less on consumption oriented events

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

209 More street and neighbourhood parties. More notice boards throughout the community for people to connect.

210 It is up to the initiative of the individual to do this - not another community group with a govt grant.

211 More jobs for low income earners

212 Try to be helpful to them. But, immigrants should try to become part of the community & not try to keep their own ways of life when they move to here.

213 create employment

214 Can't get my comments under 150 words

215 advertise services but of course that means that people need to be looking for information in the right places

216 continue to be open and welcoming

217 We need more decent Jobs and incentives for entrepreneur's. Eco-Tourism...

218 Give them the support they need, be open to change.

219 Like anything else, it's all about finding solid, well-paying work.

220 accept people from the "outside", be tolerant

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

residents

222 Accept and include newcomers

223 Emphasis the positive aspects of the community as a whole. not just certain areas. Stress the values of the community and encourage participation.

224 Better employment, higher wages for entry level work

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

226 Make them feel welcome.

227 provide support and encouragement by means of rewards - special offers on the price of attending events

228 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

229 bridge to the mainland or Vancouver island

230 Affordable housing, employment opportunities, activites for children and youth.

231 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

232 Without an college or university degree, and the income they provide - most people can forget about becoming established here.

233 more higher paying jobs

234 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

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

236 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.

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

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

239 advertise events

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

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

242 Support and embrace change and new ideas .

243 not an immigrant and don't have a family - unable to offer an informed opinion

244 As our population ages there should be some services put in place creating jobs to service this aging population.

245 Homes are cheap in PR. The youth have to leave to get work. PR is little more than a retirement community. Opportunities are needed from the outside.

246 treat them fairly. just because they weren't born here does not make them second class citizens

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

248 - improve web presence of services/businesses - the quality of websites here is shameful! - encourage volunteering to get foot in the door

249 Jobs - support for families, houseing and health care

250 Rent is high, wages are minimal....not easy for a young family to get by!

251 Have a special outreach office for people getting started here in Powell River

252 take a chance on someone or something new

253 more good-high paying employment oportunities in the region

254 No comment.

255 Online database for newcomers about resources, organizations, etc. It would really help.

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

257 provide lots of information even before they get here

258 no idea

259 There needs to be more programs/groups for people who are new to town, to get to know others.

260 Small manufacturing or industry would be helpful.

261 Maybe a Welcome Wagon?

262 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..

263 Has to be jobs here for the young people to stay or one's wanting to move here

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

265 It's not really possible as outsiders are always going to be seen as such.... until the small town mindset changes!

266 Affordable housing and Daycare



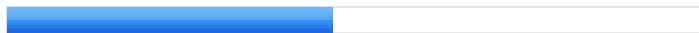


267	Affordable housing
268	adequate schools with good teacher/pupil ratio Information readily available to those who want to move here. Racial tolerance and understanding.
269	having joblink do their job
270	Be open and accepting.
271	There is more than meets the eye. We need to search out and learn of these needs to better address what we can do to help.
272	Improve and add services for new and young families to find jobs, housing, organizations that suit and support them.
273	Make newcomers feel welcome, encourage them to participate in community events.
274	More openness, less favouritism of the elite (rich)
275	Be neighbourly and offer help and advice. Have some information package about life, events and services for the realtors to give to new residents.
276	Having entry level positions or Summer student roles so people can see what the job involves first hand.
277	introductions
278	talk to people and inform visitors of events and opportunities -
279	Celebrate successes
280	Powell River is already welcoming and friendly
281	Assist them, welcome them, present resources they van easily access
282	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
283	More awareness of "Welcome Wagon" programs + staff/volunteers are needed
284	A local resource book
285	So far everyone is very welcoming. Finding a job which will sustain us is a challenge.
286	Offer affordable housing, more daycares, opportunities for self employment and cheaper ferry fares.
287	Orientation sesions PR is pretty friendly to visitors or new arrivals. Affordable housing is probably an issue.
288	Reach out and invite them to become part of an organization or group.
289	Sliammon needs to be included + a commitment to include Sliammon's involvement in PR
290	Seems to me by looking at opportunities for immigrants,it has been very supported,while FN's people need support to become independent in their own la
291	be more open
292	There still exists an underlying degree of racism
293	Invite them to join us in our many community endeavours :)
294	Helping
295	Recognize the value of hard work and motherhood. Stop referring to us as a "retirement" town.
296	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?
297	Hard to know where affordable places are and to find groups to become part of.
298	Increase constructive community social activities. Promote more places where young people and newcomers can mingle.
299	Provide land based access to Canada so that the community can grow. With growth comes job opportunities.
300	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.
301	let their new ideas be heard by all powell river
302	Be friendly and positive and share the great things about this area. Introduce them to people - sometimes it's who you know.

15.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT:	225	36.89%
GOOD:	272	44.59%
FAIR:	85	13.93%
BELOW AVERAGE:	22	3.61%
POOR:	6	0.98%
Total Responded to this question:	610	89.05%
Total who skipped this question:	75	10.95%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	11	1.82%
GOOD: 	134	22.22%
FAIR: 	286	47.43%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	128	21.23%
POOR: 	44	7.3%
Total Responded to this question:	603	88.03%
Total who skipped this question:	82	11.97%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	280	100%
Total Responded to this question:	280	40.88%
Total who skipped this question:	405	59.12%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Build a new library and cultural centre on the waterfront Create a university concentrating on fine arts and incorporating the Academy of Music
2	While there are lots of arts, any job opportunities in the arts are too low paying.
3	Support the Music Academy
4	funding Marketing
5	support
6	Cineplex, monthly live theatre performances (musicals/comedies), large province funded museum/art gallery.
7	This is something I know nothing about.
8	Continued promotion and growth of the space within our City and Region Advertise what we ahve externally Arts and Culture speacility school
9	Let the City Fathers aware that employment in these sectors are real, and true and viable.
10	Attrct more events.
11	fund them
12	attend the events
13	I think we've spent enough there
14	arts and culture is pretty well looked after
15	this is one area that is very strong in Powell River and we just need to keep doing what we are doing.
16	Powell River needs to come into line with other communities and fund arts and culture to a far greater degree. Arts and culture are an economic drive
17	More youth driven (19-35) attractions or interests.
18	We should promote our arts and cultural events and opportunities more.
19	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
20	educational opportunities perhaps between the university & Music Academy, ie degree programme, publicity improvement
21	Greater financial support Get our governance to appreciate what we have
22	Support local events. Buy locally made arts for gifts
23	more support from the municipality. Too much emphasis on "making money" and not enough on "making a community"
24	Arts and culture jobs are tough to get and have low pay almost everywhere.
25	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.
26	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
27	have several core activities to build around and then keep it vareid
28	Too much stress on these two areas and not enough on Sports and Leisure spent.
29	Not much without a larger population - people like the service but do not support things
30	Tax rebates for artists.
31	It is currently being well served by our residents
32	Already doing a great job
33	no comment
34	I think Powell River has an abundance of jobs in these fields unfortunately this area is not a sustainable filed that will continue to grow Powell Rive
35	more productions, feasible costs.
36	Can't speack about job creation issues in the arts area, but leveraging the great work of the Academy and others is certainly an option.
37	-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!
38	support with tax breaks/donations in kind, as happens, I believe, with the Academy of Music. small investment for SOAP and Kathaumixw

39 More injection of funds. Turn volunteer positions into paid positions! New public art gallery and library

40 Make it easier to get here, harder to leave.

41 Advertise arts events as aggressively as hockey games.

42 a coordinated marketing approach and a coordinated fundraising approach

43 New library and new museum including display space for arts.

44 Better news reporting to communicate

45 HOW MANY TIMES TO WE HAVE TO REPEAT THE PREVIOUS STATEMENTS?

46 I am happy with the way things are regarding art & culture. we excel at that.

47 Provide marketing help, or access to the services of an agent.

48 Provide free spaces for artists to display art or play music. Do not charge musicians to play at street festivals. Value and support artists.

49 Continue to promote and support; work with Tourism Powell River to get the word out; don't charge musicians to play at Blackberry Fest

50 subsidized work space and promotions; training to maximize good ideas; parent-child arts activity look to the future

51 Local funding for arts initiatives. Education stream for the arts.

52 community, municipal and provincial support. Have people value arts as part of a healthy community.

53 Recognize the value in employing people in the arts industry and secure funding with which to do so.

54 Keep supporting the Music Academy.

55 More promotion of world class events. increase hotel space.

56 Could we look into a college for music?

57 More advertising!

58 start with building a beautiful arts and culture centre/public gallery/library down on willington beach...see what happens then...public art!!

59 Create one large, gallery that supports local artists and is well known provincially and nationally.

60 vigorous lobbying on behalf of the arts, art shows, etc

61 Perhaps more cooperative venues like Artique and the Fine Arts group at Timberlane?

62 Make Powell River an destination for arts and culture. Promote tourism.

63 A non-profit community center built around a cafe/restaurant concept showcasing local art and with live stage for music sounds like a good idea.

64 Include it as part of economic development e.g. a theatre school, expanding SOAP, and encouraging arts and culture groups with grants.

65 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.

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

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

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

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

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

71 Art, in itself, provides very little opportunity to make a living.

72 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

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

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

75 Funding

76 most artists starve to death so instead first develop money making schemes and then dabble in the arts. Culture - we do very for a city our size

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

78 I think the arts are doing very well.

79 Not expect musicians to work for free

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

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

82 I think we are doing great in this area.

83 This applies only to Texada

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

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

86 let tourists know of arts and culture in PR

87 cut out all gambling terminals in pubs. curtail tv brain washing , limit commercials.

88 Welcome new ideas

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

90 Chamber of Commerce & PRREDS should work harder to entice institutional education & cultural orgs to relocate here.

91 Post secondary education in the performing arts and stage craft

92 What about summer stock theatre?

93 -keep providing the opportunities we do at a rerasonable cost

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

95 Have a public art gallery

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

97 There are no jobs in Art related market becasue the thinking is, it should be volunteers doing those job, hence the quility is not there to attract

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

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

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

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

102 support local artists

103 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

104 New library

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

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

107 More areas of expression for art/ culture/ music. Invest in arts and beautification projects. Murals, totems, fairs, festivals, outdoor music...

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

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

110 Doing a good job

111 More municipal support as line items not grants

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

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

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

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

116 Free and open gallery space, unjuried. Open stage venues.

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

118 There is an abundance of local talent which should be encouraged to become more pro active in joining or creating new ventures

119 continue to bring in music talents

120 federal and provincial funding for the arts and culture

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

122 The community is very involved

123 We absolutely NEED a dedicated art gallery for all of Powell Rivers wonderful artists. This is one of the most artist starved communities

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

125 Not sure there are many jobs in arts and culture anywhere that are easy. People who really want to do it make their own way. See some successfull

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

127 Build a new library. When people research our community to settle here it is a glaring lack. Other than music there is little option for arts jobs.

128 It's already great.

129 An arts and culture magazine and or web site Encourage youth expression through the arts

130 More funding for arts and culture

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

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

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

134 Feds are part of this again

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

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

137 More accessibility for low income families/youth/children

138 Support for alternate prov. gov't. Provide Library/Gallery at Willingdon-South Advertise casting call for public to demo their thespianism

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

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

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

142 Create jobs for people who live here.

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

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

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

146 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

147 Be involved. Do music instead of TV

148 soap makes no sense nor do 25 yr. old caucasions singing "blues". Need live theatre, dance, a real club, not some bozo plucking tunes at a restaurant

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

150 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

151 Jobs

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

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

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

155 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

156 Art in the park, exhibiate art work at local resturants, mecical buildings, malls, show off what PR has to offer

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

158 Stop relying on the same people. takie a leap of faith and try new artist and musicians. Powell River has alot of talent

159 Visual expossure

160 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

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

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

163 Provide venues to showcase work

164 more affordable venues for working and lower class

165 to know more people

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

167 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

168 more places to get experience

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

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

171 An attraction for visitors to come here for arts but ease of access to Powell River is a must.

172 more money is needed to increase quality

173 local workers who support NIMBY cause should take a look at whose door they knock on when asking for \$\$\$ to fund their save our whatever campaign

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

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

176 Think we are an arts and cultural rich community.

177	Let's get this new Library off the ground already, it's been in the idea stages for far too long and Powell River is suffering because of it.
178	Need to attract more individuals that are interested in arts and culture (see what other cities are doing to attract these people)
179	Public Art.
180	We have enough in this area....not sure it creates many jobs and only those with money can afford to go.
181	Be professional about the arts. Let new people have access to directorships and stop having everything run by the same 4 or 5 people. So cliquy.
182	Annual arts and culture festival.
183	Arts and culture only survive with subsidies or patrons.
184	A few more open air concerts in summer and in general more concerts for young people. Almost everything that happens here is for people 30+
185	Lots being done now
186	Build an outdoor theatre
187	Certainly to keep the Music Academy afloat if they run into financial difficulties.
188	create employment with high paying skilled jobs
189	Could advertise them more....get council involved personally in all sorts of cultural events....use some city money....friendlier to outsiders
190	people to be involved, either as spectators or in playing a part in production
191	Jobs are scarce in the arts everywhere. Supporting the arts with reduced cost for city services would help
192	We have a lot of Artists and possible entrepreneurs that with support from the city could help our economy and Tourism.
193	There are many great art events but they are few and far between. Consistent live music at a suitable venue would be an asset.
194	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 .
195	If we believe that culture in all its forms is necessary for a thriving community we must, at some points sponsor its survival
196	Art Gallery Free music that allows poor to participate Greater variety in type of music Book club focussing on local writers - reading and writing
197	Open an art gallery.
198	Keep up the good work
199	Stop expecting local musicians to work for free at public events
200	Events could reserve a portion of seating free to people on social assistance as well as transportation to and from events
201	More Advertising events, lots of performances to bring to the public, outdoor performances at the beach.
202	A public gallery would be a start!
203	Artwork that lasts. Get rid of the sidewalk art that's decrepit and an embarassment. Look beyond Sliammon. First Nations are not the only culture here
204	More young families are needed to keep PR vital.
205	hire local artists for more work put a focus on it in the downtown support it at VIU & at school
206	Sustainable funds for arts and culture. Many organizations manage year to year on funding and grants.spend valuable time applying for funds over again
207	We need a modern movie theatre.
208	Gov support for events + jobs; reduced rents, tax breaks for those volunteering/creating events that bring people to PR
209	need gov't support need community support - get out and attend!
210	A dedicated public arts and culture centre for display and performance perhaps combined with plans for new library
211	more funding offered at a municipal level for businesses promoting the arts
212	Variety and tourism
213	not a prime concern to me - unable to offer an informed opinion
214	Continue to support and build the arts community by suporting their endeavours.
215	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.
216	PR is a great choral community. easier access to communities beyond the SS Coast to bring in or send out art presentations.
217	Funding, promotion, more events. Revitalize the downtown (marine) core. It is an eyesore. This town could be a jewel of the pacific and an arts centre
218	central artists gallery ... ex Qualicum Beach has the old schoolhouse features over 60 artists under one roof - great shopping and cultural experience
219	The isolation is a problem when trying to attract and keep people interested in the arts there are only so many in PR to support. accesability-cost
220	to have a seperate music theatre eg. The Don James Theatre
221	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

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

223 Unknown.

224 Change up the annual events (most a similar each year) and include lower sunshine coast in marketing/advertising for such events.

225 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.

226 create a Public Art Gallery beautification of the town public art (murals, sculptures, mini parks) art academy

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

228 galleries continue to show artists work. continue to show and make and sell all the great work that our local artists do.

229 More events

230 plenty of opportunities, but many artist(like most people here) have 2 work more that 1 job 2 make ends meet..

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

232 encourage hockey players to dance and play music!

233 More funding and more promo of the wonderful musical and fine arts community here.... it's PRs greatest treasure... but, PR needs to accept outsiders!

234 Funding for supplies when needed

235 Build a Public Gallery to showcase local artists and host touring shows and workshops Build a new library

236 more funding for artists, shows, live music. more venues. several halls have stopped renting space recently (union hall, rancho)

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

238 continue as we are

239 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.

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

241 More cultural events are needed.

242 Attract better quality of arts and culture

243 Have a University for Music Education/Arts

244 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.

245 revive culture

246 Community events are godo and enjoyed by the community as a whole

247 - greater support for "low brow" music

248 everyone get involved, artists and viewers of art

249 the culture cordinator do his job

250 already good job

251 Don't know enough about...

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

253 How about more volunteer art/craftsduring puplic events like SeaFair, Lund Days, Blackberry Festival? More fun contests related to same.

254 provide access to resources

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

256 There does not seem to be a lot of visual First nations presence in PR. You really have to dig deep to find anything.

257 I don't often participate - my children are active in town

258 Additional government funding to support the work done by volunteers.

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

260 getting the younger generation involved

261 More involvement and dedicated budget to include Sliammon songs drumming performance

262 Comitted funding to pay Sliammon cultural songs drumming, dancing - is much needed

263 sustainable funding, keep intact existing infrastructure before it gets too old (evergreen theatre),

264 REAL municipal support would be nice. There is LOTS of support for sports teams and little to nothing for arts and culture.

265 More funding

266 Sad. Over glorified by few. Many voices not heard.

267 People in the jobs stay in the jobs. New jobs don't come often.

268 More promoting arts and culture. More children oriented places for school aged and teens to hang out.

269 support from local government

270	Encourage and support the present arts and culture in Powell River.
271	Community Compost site, which in turn people can purchase (with proceeds going back into the upkeep of the site). A great education tool. :)
272	We need more variety of music and cultural activities. We have some world class performances, but the mix is limited and not always relevant to youth.
273	Provide a land based highway to Canada.
274	complex could sponsor more events for local musicians and artists
275	Promote arts and culture in the schools rather than in private institutions
276	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
277	encourage new people to take part in the arts.
278	City funding Supporting the library
279	There is enough balance/focus on arts & culture for the population. Industry and small business development is in more need of attention!
280	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:	153	25.08%
GOOD:	338	55.41%
FAIR:	96	15.74%
BELOW AVERAGE:	15	2.46%
POOR:	8	1.31%
Total Responded to this question:	610	89.05%
Total who skipped this question:	75	10.95%
Total:	685	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:	24	3.93%
GOOD:	233	38.2%
FAIR:	232	38.03%
BELOW AVERAGE:	93	15.25%
POOR:	28	4.59%
Total Responded to this question:	610	89.05%
Total who skipped this question:	75	10.95%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	357	100%
Total Responded to this question:	357	52.12%
Total who skipped this question:	328	47.88%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Raise fuel taxes
2	Making riding the bus a realistic option. This is the most care dependant community I've ever lived in.
3	preserve green space Stop Clear Cutting Replan forests permote and reward local farming
4	keep the garbage out of the backcountry
5	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
6	Conrinue work on our sustainability charter Composting and recycling Save as many forests as possible understanding we are a forest based communi
7	curbside pick up of mixed recycleables. No more sorting or plastic bags required. Make Catalyst clean up their emissions. Ban plastic shopping bags
8	Don't sacrifice the environment for the economy.
9	make it easy for people to recycle
10	no dumping, remove the garbage bag tag fee as lots of people would rather illegally dump that buy tags
11	recycling and composting
12	we need to get a proper waste management system in place.
13	More funding for volunteer groups who are trying their best.
14	Devoloping our ALR for what it is meant for.
15	We need recycle bins in Lund.
16	educate and make it easier for regional district to support recycling
17	compost program eliminate so much plastic recycle environmental sewage disposal using most up to date technology park area in all new subdivisions
18	Reduce, reuse and recycle Get business and governance on side
19	We are ahead of many areas of the world, I think that this need not be a focus of money or time, attracting sustainable businesses to the area is key
20	We need an environmentally friendly Waste Water Treatment Plant . Not the Primitave Co-Treatment Plant that Council is insisting on.
21	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
22	deal with our own garbage have our own composting centre for the community with curbside pickup
23	Bike lanes, emphasis on tourism, PUBLIC treatment and especially drinking water. NO run-of-river involvement.
24	Recycling pick up every week(curbside).Have a central place to bring electronics, batteries, ink cartridges.Pick up compostable waste.Ban plastic bag
25	Compost pick-up and a waste to power incineration system large enough to bring in garbage from other communities as an industry.
26	Community composting, preserving green space, improving public transit, encourage local shopping, food production, TEACH the old and young about it.
27	Compost household greens.
28	the current LWMP debaate is unreal--fix what we have and get on with it
29	We do we have to pay for garbage when we already pay such huge taxes?
30	a regular collection of composting material should be made and a municipal compost heap where gardenerts etc can get good compost
31	Too much emphasis on environment - we live in a forest -not enough on sustainable industry
32	Tax lawns. Rebates for vegetable gardens. Stop coddling the polluters & despoilers (Catalyst, Plutonic, WFP, etc.).
33	Take responsibility for your own "garbage" and appreciate the fantastic natural surroundings
34	Not sure - bus schedules are not that convenient for conducting business but I assume that ridership must increase to allow more service
35	Ban bottled water Work with gov to control logging in water sheds Control use of pesticides Encourage solar use in city businesses
36	Charging people to dispose of their garbage had lead to having piles of garbage all over the place in our surrounding woodlands
37	we do well in this area mostly, higher dumping fees for the peeps dumping in the wooded areas
38	Get serious about Communities in Bloom - compare what winning communities are doing and it is obvious, PR is very far behind in this

	regard.
39	-Do not allow massive cuts of forested areas alongside residential communities, such as what occurred in the Townsite -we should have Aircare here!
40	Get rid of 50-75% of all the black berry bushes in the area they are ruining our ecosystem. Some control burning of certain areas would suffice
41	protection
42	make Sunshine Coast Trail a linear park. scooter parking at the Complex upper door (!), bike trail thru the Cut
43	community composting - somehow stop the littering in the bush, public transportation could be better to avoid driving
44	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
45	Community composting. Preserve the watershed. Remove stupid by-laws re clotheslines. Tax the s**t out of monster houses.
46	good quality developments that are environmentally friendly
47	Community composting would be very helpful.
48	ALL TALK AND NO ACTION...Council can not make a decision no matter what the issue is
49	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
50	Think about where we site dumps , industrial areas etc . Approach to PR is very off putting . Need trees to screen unsightly industrial areas
51	CLEAN HOUSE
52	recycling of not only compost waste but other things. Help getting large items disposed of you do not have a vehicle
53	More would recycle if they didn't have to pre-sort as proved in other communities. fig's up to 80% if this is implemented. we do good though.
54	Community-wide composting program.
55	Other communities have set up roadside pick up for compostable materials. This should be done as well.
56	Environmentally sound disposal of waste. Improved monitoring of mill's impact on environment. Stop clear-cuts. Plant native plants and organic food.
57	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
58	we should embrace green technology & local foods; decentralize services; clean up rural sewage problems re privatized installation rules
59	Address our waste water issue. Listen to the experts IOW's get truly educated. There are great ideas out there!
60	continuy to support community initiatives for sustainable living.
61	Offer education and information on environmental issues.
62	Find a solution for recycling glass; use smaller buses; make some bicycle lanes; enforce by-laws for no-idling, smoking, backyard burning.
63	Community composting.
64	waste treatment facility
65	Enforce no idle laws. Educate people. Enforce recycle (fines for not recycling)the city should collect and make compost. City shut off lights themself
66	Promote more recycling....more education on environmental issues...Powell River is considerably behind larger centres with respect to recycling.
67	Protect areas for future eco development and recreation.
68	to much goes into the dump!i see it all the time.start a free store at the dump!there is so much waste!!!get on with proper water/sewage treatment!
69	pickup for compostables, do an inventory of how businesses are recycling and clean ensure construction sites are recycling demolition waste
70	Demand accountability from industry, local business and individuals.
71	Promote central and private composting .
72	Bike lanes, ride share programs, more frequent public transit north and south
73	More street-level garbage AND RECYCLING containers is essential! Garbage-littered streets don't inspire anyone— littering becomes no big deal.
74	bike lanes, sidewalks, a decent bus service, more education concerning reduce, re-use, recycle.
75	personal actions
76	We need to deal with the fact that we have some serious pollution problem from historic sites. The charter and its process were a sham.
77	Promote reduced use of water and throw-away materials. Make all liquid and solid waste processes sustainable, with economic use of waste products.
78	Put the sustainability charter to work instead of just on paper. Car sharing and public transport improvements. Add career eco courses to VIU
79	Deal with our own waste and encourage the recycling of articles to be used locally.

80 We need to develop solid waste plan that includes recycling, composting, etc.

81 Educate people Penalize those who don't recycle Charge more for garbage disposal more recycling options eg. Recycling for styrofoam

82 Compulsory separation of garbage and the making of compost for sale.

83 reduce plastic use

84 Ban logging, ban gas lawn mowers, get rid of mill, kill Plutonic, keep tankers out of Straight, nix industry/ corporate mentality, taxreward gardeners

85 car checks on exhaust

86 Work to encourage and reward children and especially teens to participate in all aspects of supporting the environment.

87 bins are easy to access to recycle, Peak provides information, balance access to back country with preservation

88 More advertisement for group volunteers that help with clean up, trail maintenance etc. and educate the groups as to why it's important.

89 more bus routes

90 improve the environment - I see this as a federal/provincial initiative - anything we do as little P.R is too small to impact much of anything

91 Continue to promote recycling, and purchasing from local retailers and farmers.

92 Logging has ruined many scenic areas like the canoe route and parts of SCT. It needs to be slowed down. Locally logged wood should be processed here.

93 Create less trash.

94 Preserve the trees. Keep our water and air clean.

95 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!)

96 more awareness/community initiatives that look at alternatives to consumersim

97 could have a better recycling system. pick up of all recyclables.

98 Preserve some areas from the clear cutting that is going on

99 Bike & walking lanes. More recycling bins, (townsite, wildwood, etc.). Hsehold. compost program like halifax. Sort and recycle dump waste

100 This applies only to Texada

101 community-wide composting mandatory recycling

102 i am a little surprised at the lack of resources in this area, i thought there would be more focus on this

103 place environmental issues as no.1 in all decisions re land use, industry, fish farms, clearcuts, etc. Visitors will not come to see a clearcut.

104 be responsible ourselves, and be aware of the environment

105 simplify & become conscious of our wasteful habits, encourage food gardening helped by local national governments,

106 Kill the co treatment plan as it could result in sewage in the sea.

107 Institute curbside yard waste collection in order to begin outdoor burning.

108 Powell River needs new leadership in positions of Mayor, City council, and Regional Board and School Board. Most elected officials are 'old school'.

109 Clean and provide more recycling depots

110 An energy audit should be completed for the City and the region

111 Community compost, better recycling services, further bans on backyard burning, certification process for woodstoves (must be in compliance).

112 Pick up/collect garden greens/waste for community composting

113 dealing with our own waste

114 Find alternative methods to chlorination...particularly at the swimming pool.

115 - stop driving gas guzzlers and large v ehicles to drive a few blocks walk more provide even better public transit

116 Reduce waste, recycle more, less packaging by manufacturers. More eco-friendly products. Electric cars.

117 Promote the idea of 'zero waste' much more; start a municipal compost program

118 Keep planting trees; do something about the devastation and degradation of our local forests.

119 I would like to see green recycling (compost) and free pick-up of yard waste.

120 Offer a curbside composting community like the one being adopted in other communities.

121 find a recycle source for styrofoam. keep up good work with home gardens

122 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

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

124 cut back on the raping of trees in the community for the sake of housing.i am waiting to see the flooding of brooks school in the near future.

125	Act local , Think global walk , use way less fossil fuel , stop buying crap , slow down
126	Keep encouraging recycling heavy fines to those who are charged for dumping anything
127	Reduce car usage (PR is still totally geared around cars) Retro-fit old buildings for energy efficiency
128	Curtail logging! It ruins long-term potential as an eco-tourism destination. Regional compost facility. More, smaller buses, more routes lower fare
129	Recycling awareness needs to be increased and reusing yard waste by creating public composting and mulching. Tie this into the LWMP.
130	Eliminate dump in Wildwood. Make recycling more accessible. Encourage dumping garbage in appropriate areas. Establish a free store rather than dumping
131	more programs to educate about environment, recycling, home gardening, home preserving,
132	weekly enviro "two-do" list in paper listing two things each house can do that week to be more environmentally sustainable or concious
133	Doing a good job
134	Burn our waste for power instead of sending it south. Comprehensive bike paths separated from traffic as much as possible. Every subdivision must ha
135	Create safe bike routes,make soil with city green waste, preserve the trees
136	- curb side composting - reduce household waste
137	Stop the clear cutting.
138	stop logging for short term gain. institute a compost, and garden waste pick up that could be processed and resold.
139	Improve public transport and create bicycle lanes. Oppose logging, oil transport, fish farming. Support wind and tidal generation, and local farming
140	Quit heavy logging practices
141	Unfortunately, with the costs of shipping, storage and materials on an upward spiral..I don't see much hope, in the near future
142	closely monitor those who continue to dump their garbage in our forrest roads and trails. Find them and fine them.
143	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
144	Teach the young people not to litter
145	Stop illegal dumping
146	1) Identify our top environmental harm producers 2) plan for reductions 3) implement the plan.
147	Don't cut any more trees (The complex !!!!)
148	Need to bring back the incinerator should not be sending our garbage out
149	Reduce water consumption in the summer time. More community gardens, less destructive and non sustainable logging.
150	Change bylaws to force environmental building. Increase community recycling and composting programs.
151	Talk about bike lanes but so far I have only seen a couple of signs and a painted stencil on Manson. PR is easy to bike except traffic and narrow road
152	Not be afraid to challenge industry to clean up its act, this would include logging and municipal operations.
153	Try to reduced environmental damage that will reduce the attractiveness of the area as a destination for tourism, ecotourism in particular, retirement
154	We need to vastly change our garage practices. Having an incinerator we could use it for other communities. Of course, only if it were state of the ar
155	Keep up the reduce, recycle, reuse message, and have WAY safer and better bike commute lane options.
156	Provide municipal wide composting (no organics allowable in garbage or land fill No more clear cuts in the municipality improve bike connectivity
157	On the whole, Powell River residents seems to be environmentally conscious.
158	Make it easier to practice reduce, recycle, and reuse
159	bike lanes, education, environmentally friendly paper mill and waste recycling
160	Provide yard waste pickup
161	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
162	Stop charging for garbage tags, build the cost of it into taxes and MUCH less dumping in the bush etc. INCINERATION!!!! 3 times passed on voting day!!
163	Support the burning ban in back yards. Have a clean air bye-law. Have a green waste collection. --on Texada people burn plastics in their back yards!
164	public recycling program. Free dumping of garden waste. Free public chipping and free pickup of the chipped bio waste. See Sechelt's landfill regime.
165	Get help form the provincial gov't to stop Island Timbers destroying our forest and trails.
166	Waste disposal
167	Setup a composting depot, goodforgarbage reduction & can be turned into fertilizer to sell

168	Improved cycle lanes/paths/lights Waste plant in the region payment for plastic bags
169	Move forward on compost pickups Lobby for control of City garbage disposition. Burning is better than shipping cross-boarder
170	Encourage more local food production. Build bike lanes, particularly through the cut.
171	More public education and awareness for adults and kids; better leadership from local government to encourage green initiatives.
172	improve recycling access in the north end of town
173	Keep encouraging recycling, especially to younger people and continue to supply large recycling stations throughout the community.
174	mandatory recycling, incentives for people who are trying to make a diference, a mobile composting business for people who live in condos and apartmen
175	ban plastic bags, curbside composting that could then be redistributed for gardens (Burnaby model), saltwater swimming pool at the rec center,
176	transportation.. keeping more things in the down town area.. library.. for sure..
177	encourage enforcement of environmental preservation laws by the BC Govt.which currently cuts enforcement, and has such regionally centralized offices
178	blue boxes, more recycling, regional composting facility with roadside pickup of compost, more bike greenways
179	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.
180	Grow local Food. Foster Support local organizations already focussing on this issue
181	lock up polluters and charge them costs, post some serious message signage re issue, Taggers forced to wear a billboard attesting they're morons.
182	stop Enbridge Oil Tankers with Dogwood Initiative or Alvarz. Continue your excellent work and community support like Blackberry Pottery. Get sustainab
183	Compost collecting for energy creation-methane plants. Reduce cutting of local trees (require permits)
184	Waste management and water
185	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.
186	Each citizen needs to be responsible for proper disposal of their garbage - and there should be lots of reinforcement and also fines.
187	Act faster! The info is there, the will is there, we need to stop deliberating and start doing.
188	make recycling easy - provide reuseable recycling bags in curbside recycling create bike lanes/safe biking areas for commuting
189	My understanding is that, currently, glass that is taken to recycling is not actually recycled.
190	Sustain clean air quality, and clean water
191	The city should encourage periodic collection of junk & refuse..help eliminate the illegal dumping around the community It would also beautify area
192	Provide more places that people can recycle, Develop community composting+sell dirt provide more garbage cans for guests to be able to unload garbage
193	Encourage new ways to recyle old furniture and large items that are found in our paths and trails in PR. Check the old mill parking lot.It's there too
194	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.
195	Not involve the Mill in any decision making on the environment
196	Catalyst should not be given waste contract or other favors. They should pay their share of taxes
197	understand it
198	compost sites for suites and apartment buildings
199	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!
200	Presserving the quality of the water on our lakes and in the ocean. Getting more forest land set aside and preserved for recreational use
201	continue to raise awareness through local initiatives--ongoing articles in newspapers of the many small changes we can make to make a big difference
202	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)
203	Move towards solar and wind via government initiaties likes the City of Calgary Get into composting in a big way and sell it back to the community
204	better recyling program/pickup
205	recycle, reuse and reduce the amount of garbage. Take the bus when needed. Ride a bike if possible instead of driving.
206	make people feel good for doing that kind of stuff
207	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.
208	Promote Powell River's natural beauty and tourism. People will come. We don't need rampant developmentt, especially to try and attract wealthy ameri
209	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

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

211 everyone doing their share

212 Process waste locally, recycling wherever possible: stop trucking to remote landfills!

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

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

215 support the Let's Talk Trash team.

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

217 Pollution and sewage control.

218 education to low income families and children

219 There should be a burn waste to energy unit running here (see what they have in Charlottetown PEI that powers the hospital

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

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

222 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

223 Reduce logging and fishing and encourage mining industries

224 Stop barging garbage to the US and deal locally with waste. Keep the waste disposal in the public sector.

225 Major work needs to be done on this issue, taking the first step was great but time to put the other foot forward.

226 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.

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

228 State of the art liquid and solid waste disposal at affordable cost. Public transit that is not more expensive than operating my private vehicle.

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

230 Stop the development of land. The land at Willingdon Beach should not have a library or any building on it. We need green space! More garbage cans.

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

232 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.

233 Encourage people to stop using big trucks, gas guzzling big boats, heavy camper trailers, ATVs and motorcycles. Encourage physical activities.

234 Emulate Comox composting. Alternate between garbage service and yard waste service every other week. Abbotsford does this with large compostable bags.

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

236 A yard waste pickup should be available. Maybe change garbage pickup to every two weeks and offer yard waste pickup alternate weeks.

237 More recycling. Example: The rec complex, it all ends up in the same bin. There is also too much garbage at festivities and parties.

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

239 Close the landfill in Wildwood Don't burn biosolids in the Mill

240 Keep recycling & if the fees for dumping were less I think you'd have fewer problems with people dumping in the woods & trails.

241 education,information..its working now

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

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

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

245 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

246 Need to actually recycle glass.

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

248 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.

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

250 A free community compost location

251 Discourage dumping. It is rampant in this community!

252 Deal with the toxic waste dump in Wildwood. Continue to educate and promote ..reduce-reuse-recycle-compost

253 existing landfill site(s) clean-up. a truly innovative waste management plan for liquid and solid waste, with zero emissions as a goal.

254 Get the sewage treatment system sorted out and discipline those who use our backwoods as a dumping grounds for their garbage.

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

256 Have composting service like Comox

257 build a new City owned and operated stand alone sewerage treatment facility.

258 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.

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

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

261 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!

262 manage water, air, and noise. User pay for water (including businesses), better control on backyard burning, control noise from traffic/industry

263 Create our own landfill instead of shipping it off. This way we maintain control of the enviromental aspects of disposing of the waste.

264 Stop driving huge beastly shiny pick up trucks to fetch lattes at starbucks. Start walking more!

265 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

266 provide better public transit community composting educational recycling programs articles and public advertising about services available

267 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.

268 Environmental laws should be respected. How many landlides are there in the sea walk and old arena area? Why were the gray heron nests not found?

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

270 I love that our recycling pick up is included in our taxes, but there is an additional cost (buying tags) for our garbage.

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

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

273 deal with the garbage removal issue.

274 encourage more local food production, community co-op farms, etc.

275 Non- privatization of public services such as waste treatment Eco tourism

276 seems to be ok, however, why is waste paper being shipped out for recycling when there is a pulp mill right here?

277 Continue to support Recycling, reducing and reusing endeavours.

278 Be a leader in what can be recycled and establish an industry using recycled material, i.e. presto logs from coffee grounds.

279 Pr recycle and household waste program is good.

280 fly ash dump is a disgrace

281 really push recycling. change the recycling containers more often

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

283 Community composting and pick up by City build top-notch incinerator and import garbage to make money for City

284 -better info from Augusta - the "rules" and protocol are confusing and it can be intimidating - more recycle drop off locations-

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

286 Start thinking about Invasive Plants. COnsider an annual free dumping day and eliminating the fee for disposing of yard waste.

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

288 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!!!

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

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

291 create infrastructure for alternate energy supply support local agraculture more plant more trees,create more green space

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

293 Lower landfill/garbage fees to discourage some people from dumping illegally in the back country.

294 Support the land conservancy. Consult the public on any project with environmental impact and respond in the public's favour, not necessarily industr

295 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

296 ban plasticbags/styrofoam packing styro recycling facilities "free store" @ Dump? stop logging in town! encourage walk-traffic downtown (mini-parks)

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

298 Reduce consumption!! Recycle!

299 Put out compost/recycling bins around town, as well as garbage cans. There are many things like that in other cities that work excellently.

300 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.

301 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

302 for one thing, Augusta Recycle needs more recycle containers and empty them more often

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

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

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

306 turn the mill into a hemp paper mill. grow hemp on a large scale (not pot).

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

308 Easier access to re-cycling for those north of town.

309 Stay on top of the fly ash issues

310 Smart growth- make PR walkable by connecting protected greenspaces. Limit sprawl. Alternative transportation- bus, bike. More recycle bins

311 Institute compost pick up

312 ban plastic bags. ban bottled water. carpool.better rural bus service. discourage consumption. shut the mill. municipal composting. ban burning

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

314 I do the trash bash yearly. It needs to be done 2, 3, or 4 times a year. I would be a willing participant

315 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

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

317 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.

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

319 Recycle, improved public transit.

320 More recycle centres. Perhaps a compost centre.

321 Remove present elected officials and staff

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

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

324 - shut down the mill

325 recycle

326 Curbside recycling & composting in the areas outside the municipality

327 always can see more reminders on "recycling"

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

329 keep promoting healthy - less wasteful ideas. People contact government / city officials to encourage and support environmental issues

330 Create a composting sewage model and beautification project similar to the one in Comox Courteney

331 Place more large "green recycling receptacles" in rural areas + areas outside city limits eg. Lund, South of Town, etc.

332 Have a recycle educational sessions for all stakeholders

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

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

335 We live in a beautiful area - people are conscious about keeping it clean - most recycle. Need more gardening initiatives - helps low income folks

336 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

337 Keep working and educating people on our environment

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






339 Stop burning tires at Catalyst

340 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.

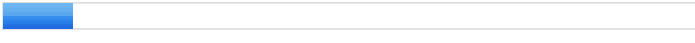


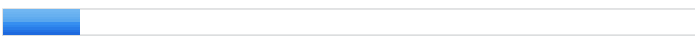
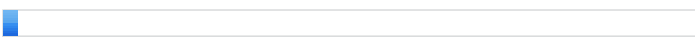
341	pocket green spaces everywhere, massive solar panel project along marine avenue residences, smaller transit buses more often, bike & pedestrian lanes
342	Create a waste management plant that converts organic garbage into soil
343	Ensure beach access in Regional districts.
344	Incinerate our garbage.
345	Look to Sechelt/Gibsons. The Recycle program here is absolute crap. Quote me.
346	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.
347	Love the fact that recycling is promoted and encouraged.
348	stop cutting down all the trees!!!!
349	I would like to see either a bigger market or more open air markets selling locally grown food.
350	Powell Rivr needs to be more innovative on energy use. Less reliance on vehicles. More effort to reduce creation of garbage. Need a compost program.
351	Provide a highway to the interior which would reduce the cost of transportation making recycling viable.
352	more education in the schools. try and provide low cost electric scooters. help low income families with more energy efficient heating.
353	public waste water management
354	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.
355	waste recycling needs to be better thought out and studied.
356	Plant trees, ban on plastic, improve roads for cycling, plant more trees.
357	environment is fine - job creation and increasing the tax base needs to be all important.

21.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	89	14.57%
GOOD: 	274	44.84%
FAIR: 	169	27.66%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	63	10.31%
POOR: 	16	2.62%
Total Responded to this question:	611	89.2%
Total who skipped this question:	74	10.8%
Total:	685	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: 	63	10.38%
GOOD: 	251	41.35%
FAIR: 	214	35.26%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	67	11.04%
POOR: 	12	1.98%
Total Responded to this question:	607	88.61%
Total who skipped this question:	78	11.39%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	321	100%
Total Responded to this question:	321	46.86%
Total who skipped this question:	364	53.14%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Quality of health care Mill emissions
2	Low wages, lack of social housing.
3	Difficulty going to other communities for certain health services
4	Access to specialists Need Qualified staff Need full time mental health specialists that practice in the community and provide continuum of care
5	Super stores are needed for variety and cost reduction. Locally grown food needs to be much lower in price. Dispensing fees are too high.
6	We have come to accept people with disabilities, but not mental illness. Steps must be taken to end the stigma.
7	grow more food.
8	None!
9	Thank you Farmer's Market and the other groups in town.
10	Travel required for health care can be painful and stressful. Local food tends to be too expensive for all but the most dedicated locovores.
11	more specialists and special diagnostic testing HERE. Host a quit smoking campaign, provide a harm reduction strategy for drug abuse
12	we need a radiologist
13	doctors are busy, not enough support for disaabled community members. Group homes should not be closing, we need more of them
14	always having to go out of town for speciality treatments
15	better access to Mental health care
16	More specialist services. But every community wants the same! No easy answer.
17	Have to have technologists/radiologists/technicians available 24 hrs for the C/T scan.
18	Attracting technologists and keeping surgeons. We also really need a walk in clinic instead of emergency for stitches, minor symptoms, casts. etc.
19	legalize raw milk and local meat sold. ban junk from schools- serve only healthy food to kids.
20	acessability
21	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.
22	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.
23	Reduce the total VHA authoritative stance Encourage a "closer to home" philosophy
24	Hospital admin and timelines are poor compared to other areas, I do not understand why. More paper is shuffled here than other hospitals I visit.
25	Waste Water Treatment Plant. We must think of the future and not cater to Catalyst
26	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
27	Encourage local agriculture in order to establish our own food security as well as employment.
28	Maintaining the medical facilities and staff
29	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.
30	finding a family dr. Excessive waits at the ER. We could really benefit from a walk-in clinic for non-emergencies.
31	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.
32	Great medical care here. Like alternative modalities available here. Local food situ. improving, & that's great! City needs to actively support
33	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!!
34	Physical health access: Excellent Mental health access: Fair at best
35	variety and security of supply
36	Sad when an out of town business does better than the locals because of council restrictions.

37 The speedy employment of a fully qualified radiographer to ensure the full use of the C.T. scan and other such equipment to save endless journeys

38 Too many disabled/low income population not enough industry to support them - too many things to support that do not increase prosperity

39 Huge population of aging people with serious health needs swamping out younger people's needs. Distance from health services.

40 None, really. I've had wonderful care in every aspect

41 Access to Dr. Access to dentist for low income(dental program for low income) Affordable housing for low to middle income

42 The quality of care in Powell River is severely lacking especially in the field of sports medicine

43 waiting lists, second opinions, lack of specialists available here

44 Just need reliable ferry service for those requiring specialists on the Island. Council clearly has no weight with BC ferries. 50 year old ferry!

45 -not enough doctors/hours too limited -mental health options are very medical model---mental health services should be offsite from the hospita

46 poor diets

47 Need mental health services

48 Continue to support and expand local organic farms and markets Work on emission reduction at mill

49 Having to go out of town for medical procedures.

50 providing quality housing and accomodation and support services to allow seniors to age in place

51 Many people don't have a family doctor. Once you have one it's impossible to switch if you don't feel comfortable.

52 exceptionally long waiting times for surgeries & that we have to go out of town in most cases to attain this health service

53 A cat scan that has no operator.

54 Maintain support systems to keep seniors here . They provide health care jobs. Local food production, parks attractive settings all help.

55 SEWAGE AND WATER

56 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.

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

58 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

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

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

61 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

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

63 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.

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

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

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

67 I have no issues.

68 More bike paths and lanes more jogging paths

69 no naturothaph

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

71 Lack of general doctors.

72 economic security,food security,clean air/water,arts/culture,social programs,entertainment,progressive city planning,mental stimulation.eat local!

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

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

75 Promote healthy eating and buy locally grown food.

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

77 We are not producing NEAR enough food to guarantee supply. Family doctor shortage as far as I know (never got call back yet on waiting list 6 yrs)

78 youth need help

79 Can't find a doctor who takes new patients. Air and land and water pollution from Catalyst.

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

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

82 Local bylaws that promote local food production.

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

84 We need more locally grown food

85 Limit the number of junk food outlets.

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

87 are medical care is in need of lots of work

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

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

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

91 question 22 - your assumption is that I want locally grown food - its not an important distinction to me

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

93 Too much reliance on medications, not enough personal responsibility for obesity, junk food, alcohol.

94 I really don't think anyone should have to sit in ER for more than 4 hrs.

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

96 community gardens/ backgarden project/ sharing of harvest opportunities

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

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

99 There is no fitness program, fitness centre or gym available on Texada.

100 don't take land out of the ALR -- support local agricultural initiatives for small, diverse farms. support young families in starting farms

101 building a sustainable community

102 too much sugar, artificial chemicals, over powered vehicles put upon us for the gain of big corporations & pharmaceuticals. encourage walking please.O

103 pollution of air and ground water bt Catalyst

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

105 As a resource industry town, PR has improved over time to clean up pollution, waste. The job is not finished yet. Newcomers want a clean environment.

106 We need long term, multi-level care for the aging population

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

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

109 More doctors and health care Professionals.

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

111 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...

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

113 Attracting and retaining specialists and enough doctors. The nurse staffing levels in the hospital need changing. One RN in ER, who came up with that

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

115 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

116 Get people out of their cars and self-propelled, out from behind desks and active outside.

117 More local food production is always good. Place emphasis on preventative measures, and good health practices, rather than treatment.

118 You always have to go elsewhere (i.e. vancouver) for anything other than basic services. Simple procedures cannot be done here.

119 Promoting locally grown/ sustainable products. (50 mile diet)

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

121 medical for all

122 have more pedestrian/cyclist only streets

123 More home care needed for seniors more housing for seniors.Why could we not have a volenteergroupto check in on older shut ins.

124 Food sustainability.

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

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

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

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

129 Sometimes the care is better than others, somethimes worse.

130 no issues I think the care is wonderful

131 Health care shortages. Cheap fresh nutritious food not readily available.

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

133 Times and costs of travelling to Van or the Island for specialized requirements are hyper restrictive for most...especially seniors and 'challenged' !

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

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

136 Get more people involved in cultivating more local land to produce food for local consumption, as described by Routes to Roots Edibles (rtredibles.ca)

137 More doctors and specialists

138 more programs on healthy living is needed.

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

140 hospital wait times are way too long but the amount of new doctors in the area are a real help.

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

142 It was hard to find Dr when we first moved to town. Lack of specialists in community - need to travel away. Obese children.

143 I don't have any at this point.

144 Keeping medical professionals resident in the area.

145 First I have great local health care but I think there are others who do not have doctors- that's a fail. Local growing is not abundant enough yet.

146 Glad we have the hospital.

147 Possible contaminated soils from the mill (does anyone know if the soils in townsite are safe to grow food?)

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

149 PR needs a walk in clinic to lower the load on Emerg.

150 It is slow to get a family doctor. I waited about one year.

151 Need more freely available mental health services

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

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

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

155 reduce the user fees at the complex

156 No opinion

157 The PR hospital by all account has failed. So new management needed there

158 Texada medical is poor with no coverage on weekends and holidays when most visitors arrive.

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

160 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.

161 Need better mental health servcies.

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

163 Purchase Old Inn at Westview for homeless / hostel / low income housing.

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

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

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

167 Need more top specialist doctors in Powell River so we don't have to travel as much.

168 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.

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

170 I am concerned about PR's ability to attract top-notch practitioners.

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

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

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

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

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

176 cooking classes, better access re mental health, addiction services, free ed re quality of life and health beyond the little learned in high school

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

178 I have none....excellent care personally

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

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

181 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!

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

183 Having to go out of town for x rays.

184 Currently, it is very expensive to get to and from this community.

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

186 Allow a farmer's market or store to be open several days a week in the community. For PR gardeners'.

187 availability of medical specialists

188 Earthquake prepardness

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

190 youth alcohol and drug abuse

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

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

193 not enough doctors or specialists

194 Have a good doctor and dentist and hospital

195 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

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

197 not enough dentists

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

199 More doctors and seniors living facilities

200 long waits to see specialists out of town

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

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

203 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!

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

205 Not enough GOOD doctors. Not enough qualified technicians not enough quality carers for the elderly. Why we have to go to the island for tests?

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

207 Not sure at this time

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

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

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

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

212 More support for local food producers

213 always room for improvement here.

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

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

216 Logging and mining practices.

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

218 The issue of alcoholism is ignored. Poverty is increasing and with it mental illnesses. The attitude of thinking it is not happening is very strong.

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

220 not enough qualified doctors. lots of unqualified doctors. Dr Parma anyone?

221 Too few specialists - too much travel on ferries

222 Laziness and obesity, lack of physical activity by the average citizen.

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

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

225 More family Drs.

226 We have excellent doctors, a good hospital & the waits to be treated aren't long.

227 needs improved mental health PHYSICIANS

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

229 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

230 Grocery stores should make more of an effort to sell local produce. More vendors are needed at the Open Air Market.

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

232 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

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

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

235 More doctors

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

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

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

239 Access and availability

240 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

250 There is no pediatric dentist!!!!!!!!!!!!

251 what little medical care required has been good. don't care if food is local or not - only cost and quality, so no opinion on 22

252 If the hospital was ever to downsize or close, proper access to medical care would be jeopardized.

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

254 I am unable to get a family DR in PR. I use the walk in clinic at Courtenay. 6 weeks to have Xrays regarding my knee read in PR.

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

256 employment opportunities, recreational opportunities, ability to afford BC Ferries

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

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

259 competence

260 More medical facilities here along with more practitioners

261 sometimes difficult for newcomers to find an MD

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

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

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

265 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

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

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

268 Prevention.

269 more advertisement

270 More people could grow foodstuffs if they wanted to.

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

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

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

274 Go Organic it's the only way

275 Poor dental heath access.... we need to attract more dentist. We need a 'walk-in' facility for medical care.

276 Qualified people in our hospitals

277 make locally grown medical cannabis available.

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

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

280 Getting appointments with specialist doctors.

281 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.

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

283 The Red tape in the ability to marked fresh local fish and shellfish. (Short Tourist season is part of this problem)

284 Concerned about the future fresh water supply due to the logging of the watershed.

285 Herbicides/pesticides need to be banned.

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

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

288 The ferry costs, our people need to travel for appointments regularly

289 - overpriced goods at all 3 local supermarkets

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

291 small com orthodontist on island - it would be nice to not have to be going on ferries. Costly, shuttle is there but not a convenience at times.

292 contamination of shellfish beaches

293 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!

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

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

296 Drug use, prescription drugs from your DR.

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

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

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

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

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

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

303 Our children gaining weight

304 Options are there but prices are high - not good for low fixed income

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

306 Encourage more farms, farm education programs,

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

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

309 Hospital cleanliness. Getting the CT into fulltime operation.






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

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



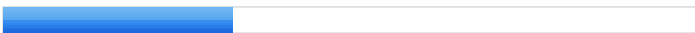


312	I would like either a bigger market or more open air markets selling locally grown food.
313	Increase wellness & preventative care. Increase mental health professionals & education around mental health. Improve referrals to specialists.
314	Having to ride a ferry to Vancouver or the island to see specialists.
315	It is difficult for new families in town to find a family physician. Local food is excellent but also expensive.
316	more help for people with mental illness and addiction as well as seniors. dental and eye care for low income people.
317	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.
318	more small farms and accessible clinics should be encouraged.
319	Cuts in health care Lack of senior care housing Drug use; lack of rehab Needing ferries to go for specialty services (medical) Mill pollution
320	More positive recognition of this being an awesome place - less focus on the negatives. Upward spiral.
321	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: 	15	2.55%
GOOD: 	125	21.26%
FAIR: 	269	45.75%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	118	20.07%
POOR: 	61	10.37%
Total Responded to this question:	588	85.84%
Total who skipped this question:	97	14.16%
Total:	685	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: 	67	11.15%
GOOD: 	229	38.1%
FAIR: 	200	33.28%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	80	13.31%
POOR: 	25	4.16%
Total Responded to this question:	601	87.74%
Total who skipped this question:	84	12.26%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	306	100%
Total Responded to this question:	306	44.67%
Total who skipped this question:	379	55.33%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Low income housing Senior-appropriate housing
2	Housing that is rent geared to income - social housing.
3	Encourage innovative housing strategies
4	affordable/low income housing
5	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.
6	Affordable and available housing for people with mental illness.
7	External marketing what a great place PR is to live and bring up family and housing cost are reasonable to excellent create affordable housing
8	Yikes. Have you seen the prices. On a \$8.75 hr wage?
9	programs to build low cost housing. programs to subsidize housing for families and those with disabilities
10	More senior housing.
11	Affordable and social housing
12	lower taxes
13	more low rentals
14	more subsidized housing available for all ages.
15	Being pro active and flexible with developers. Work with them. They have vision. Transit for every neighborhood.
16	more elderly care homes!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
17	See previous page
18	Affordable, suitable, supported housing should be made available to people with serious mental illness. They are not in a position to help themselves
19	Provide affordable housing for single parents and low income persons
20	This is a private sector issue in my opinion, not a governmental or community group priority. The market needs to find a supply/demand balance
21	Low- rental housing
22	low cost housing which is clean, well maintained and affordable perhaps a different tax base for such facilities
23	Ensure that the infrastructure can support new development.
24	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.
25	subsidized housing opportunities within the community at large. not just 'low income developments'.
26	Need youth transitional housing!
27	House and treat the mentally ill. Progressive senior village with dynamic amenities and various stages of care.
28	Housing for seniors and low cost housing for families
29	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
30	Low income housing.
31	Make the most of what's here already; secondary suites also a good idea
32	we need some public assistance for rental for young families
33	Buyers market right now but only cheap and expensive, nothing in the middle range.
34	Homes for young families with basic necessities
35	Lots for assisted income meanwhile people who want to sell and/or move experiencing horrible market
36	Denser housing. Mother-in-law units. Relax building code to allow smaller dwellings. Cooperative housing. Tax the crap out of stupid mega-homes.
37	Assisted living for seniors so they can remain in their own homes
38	Don't know enough to answer question #24. Low rental houses always seems to be an issue for every age group
39	low income house for families and seniors

40 I think the market is a little bit too high right now, but it will balance it self out in time

41 When the mill goes down there will be plenty to rent!

42 more subsidized housing

43 decent low income housing

44 low cost supported rental housing

45 Options for home ownership for singles who don't make a lot of money

46 We have more housing than we need. We need more people

47 A housing co-op for low income residents. Assistance for seniors and the disabled to repair and maintain their homes.

48 condo development, accessibble accomodation

49 We need more housing for low income families and homeless people.

50 Homelessness and seniors needing high end water front condos to downsize into . Over emphasis on ranchers is getting boring.

51 low income, decent housing

52 More assisted living for retirees and physical/mentally challenged. otherwise we are ontop of it.

53 Providing good subsidized housing on a community level.

54 we need additional low cost rentals and community living situations for older adults

55 Low-income housing. Accessible housing. Affordable seniors housing. Mix various types of housing together to avoid creation of slums. Quality housing.

56 A rental facility for youth at risk

57 mixed age low-income housing support for young farmers to buy/develop land support to access CMHC funds

58 more affordable housing, especially for low income families

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

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

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

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

63 I do not support the creation of any more low income housing.

64 develop low cost housing

65 We need subsidized rent more low income housing

66 Keep costs of buying affordable with living standards. Not inflated by outside markets.

67 attractive,progressive,green,affordable housing.look ahead 10-30 years.prepare for the future.

68 Expanding City District to include South and North of Town

69 affordable houses possibly co op housing,

70 Encourage the construction of decent, rental housing.

71 co-op housing

72 We need much more low-medium income rental units.

73 things look good to me

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

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

76 Encourage people to sell their own homes and disregard real estate agents who artificially increase the value of property and houses.

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

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

79 More low income housing available

80 Affordable housing for those who need support

81 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

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

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

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

85 24 - housing prices are dictated by factors other than "afford" - we can't influence this so education/training will do the trick

86 More rental housing is needed.

87 Encourage young families to settle here.

88 More low cost housing rentals

89 affordable is a relative term. for people who have no marketable skills, they have limited income. not societies fault. help them get trained

90 low income housing

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

92 sustainable building materials/ cooperatives/

93 Affordable housing for seniors, disabled and mentally handicapped.

94 This applies to Texada

95 bylaws to promote green energy (energy, grey water use) market-value and low income housing projects

96 more low rental housing that encourages a healthy family environment

97 continue as we have been since 2003

98 BUILD SMALLER HOUSES.DISCOURAGE MACMANSIONS, MORE COOPS & SHARED HOUSING.

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

100 Tough to change bad habits. The real estate business imposes a tyranny of capitalist greed on a basic necessity. Need a change of senior government.

101 rent geared to income

102 seniors assisted living and the ability to have suites

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

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

105 More housing and services for seniors.

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

107 There are no quality rentals available in Powell River, ppeople are charging way to much rent.

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

109 Reliable home inspectors

110 These efforts would be better spent attracting businesses with higher paying jobs. That benefits the whole community. Training people for better jobs

111 -encourage owners to offer secondary suites for rent

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

113 Improve building energy efficiency, especially in rental housing.

114 Open crown land for "homesteading" by young food producers or cooperative living arrangements to reduce land cost, promote alternative construction.

115 Homelessness is a large issue.

116 Ensure affordable housing is available for those who need it. Discourage artificially inflated house prices.

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

118 ocean front condos may invite out of town investors

119 Keep homes affordable.

120 Low income subsidized housing and co-ops

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

122 Landlords with over priced poor condition rentals.

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

124 - stricter construction standards - accessible housing - lowincome housing

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

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

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

128 Public housing.

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

130 Seniors and 'special needs'...demographics are changing locally and need to be addressed urgently to attract more retired citizens.

131 Keep property taxes at an affordable rate

132 more subsidized housing especially for people with mental illness

133 Patio homes

134 Lower taxes !!!!

135 keep fees low

136 affordable housing

137	Too many realtors and people from the city and Alberta own houses and have driven up the cost of rentals. Crappy low paying jobs dont allow us to buy
138	More low income housing options. We are only building new expensive homes, and rental apartments are being converted to condos.
139	More options similar to Lifecycle housing.
140	Programs that provide affordable housing. Help with rent to own programs, shame slum landlords.
141	Finding buyers for the VERY large number of properties on the market.
142	I think it is fairly good. Income form jobs is a priority.
143	Excellent in comparison to most other communities in BC.
144	Preserving and retrofitting existing housing stock
145	Create job opportunities
146	The real estate market in Powell River is one of its strong points.
147	Low income housing
148	Low Income housing subsidies
149	More rental units that are affordable by people who make less than \$30,000 a year
150	More jobs so young people can afford to live here and raise a family
151	Lower property taxes
152	safe and attractive public housing for seniors and young people, which would contain a central veggie garden and shared recreational opportunities
153	Federal funding restored for social housing.
154	Affordable low income housing
155	More affordable housing more diverse (life cycle) housing - not only single family homes with a garage! Build close to amenities!
156	See #23
157	Suitable seniors accommodation at all levels of care, as the demographic ages.
158	what kind of population do we want to attract? switch from a mill town to a tourist town...do we want to switch again?
159	Build new smaller homes so the average person can actually afford a house. Homes that are being built now seem to be too large and overpriced.
160	Something for everyone ...
161	Well cared for rental housing - bylaws that require landlords to up keep properties, more housing like 'Lifecycle' on Ontario Avenue for young familie
162	affordable housing.. for seniors too
163	affordable housing for fixed income folk
164	More condos, townhouses.
165	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
166	Develop long term community vision based on resilience, sustainability etc
167	clapboard dumps way overpriced, isolation rip off amt's re building materials, contractors incompetent self entitled beliefs left over from good times
168	green housing homes for disadvantaged
169	Create more housing co-ops
170	House prices have dropped so it's getting more affordable.
171	More creative housing alternatives - carriage houses, co-op housing, land-sharing, house-sharing, densification needed! Smaller homes built.
172	Control property tax so that people with houses and limited or fixed incomes can afford to keep them.
173	affordable housing for seniors and young families
174	provide low cost housing for people who work here encourages them to stay in community. Seniors + challenged too also creates employment for young
175	help lower income families to save and set goals to purchaseing there own home.
176	Repair grants
177	the working poor need housing more than welfare bums
178	Other than having affordable senior housing, the free market should dictate rents and house prices. Having lower property taxes would help.
179	Clean up some of the rentals that are rented for low prices so they do not attract as many drug dealers...
180	Habitat for Humanity Affordable housing projects based on need.
181	safe housing for seniors/low income and special needs
182	sorry I cannot do this
183	Get a Habitat for Humanity program here. We are all volunteers in this community.

184 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

185 Require owners of junk filled yards and lots to clean them up. Reduce home owner property taxes.

186 moresafe housing -- it becomes drug environments

187 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

188 More senior facilities as our community is getting more and more retired people

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

190 People here think they have property that is made of gold hence the price when infact half should be knocked down. Taxes are also an issue.

191 The real estate market should follow home grown needs not big city whims the average price should not be higher than average 4 year total personal \$\$

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

193 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

194 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

195 Safe supported transitional housing for youth

196 better jobs so families can make payments on said houses.

197 People on income assistance have few choices for safe places to rent. Low income housing and/or co-ops are needed.

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

199 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.

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

201 Better housing for families with children. Then we need more acceptable housing for the disabled (mental and physical).

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

203 buy a house with what job?

204 affordability

205 Look into providing more houses to rent at lower costs

206 More senior facilities, as we are starting to become a retired persons community.

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

208 less large high cost homes

209 safe affordable housing

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

211 More affordable housing for those below the poverty line

212 More public housing of good quality and more apartments.

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

214 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!

215 Subsidized housing for the many, many low income people

216 Low income safe residential housing

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

218 Low cost rental homes for young people

219 healthy buildings. affordable housing and property taxation

220 Make more housing available for seniors who can't afford better housing. Make space available for young people and families that they can afford.

221 Low cost rental units for famillies and single adults

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

223 Stop building condos

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

225 low income families/individuals ability to find affordable housing

226 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

227 Nothing - PR already has the most affordable housing and rent.

228 good jobs + less affluent retirees buying up real estate = chance at home ownership for young families.

229 Multiplex condos in central locations for first time home buyers.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

237 Renovate existing homes not develop.

238 same as for every community - affordable housing. overpriced vacation housing and real estate speculation by out of towners should be discouraged

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

240 PR is among cheapest housing in Canada. Prices decline yearly. PR is dying. More sustainable businesses are needed for housing development to happen

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

242 Stop speading further and either encourage remodelling or building new on existing lots.

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

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

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

246 One of the top housing priorities should be to provide more affordable social housing here in Powell River

247 more low rental partially funded housing

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

249 Low-cost housing.

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

251 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

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

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

254 Affordability

255 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

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

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

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

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

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

261 affordable rental housing and local ownership

262 more safe low income housing, more sustainable housing projects

263 Better chances for community housing for those who can only afford to rent.

264 Affordable for the recent economy

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

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

267 rent caps. build smaller energy efficient houses

268 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.

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

270 A transportation route to Sechelt may provide a stimulus for a stable and strong resale market.

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

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




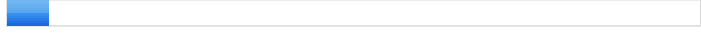

273 low income rental opportunities

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





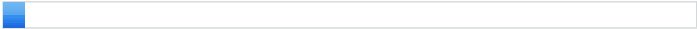
275	cheap rentals
276	should be priority, financially has huge challenges
277	get elders out of condemned homes
278	improving access to water and sewer infrastructure services to developer
279	In Sliammon we are lacking good, decent homes. Providing people with ways to "own" their own home, as opposed to renting
280	keep rentals for single families affordable
281	We need to have more affordable apartments built specifically for low income ppl/families. Even seniors now require the same, as they are on pensions
282	single dwellings for single individuals
283	Can't beat the house prices(we came from New West), rents seem reasonable too.
284	More affordable housing, restrict urban sprawl, more Extended Care facilities and retirement homes.
285	Not much low income housing. Lots of family homes available @ fairly affordable prices.
286	We need more supported (social) housing for disabled, mentally ill and other low income persons. Some are living in deplorable conditions.
287	Sliammon needs a model to follow and to practice
288	Provide low income housing for families, along with single units for young people starting out, elders, and bachelors
289	- more affordable houses for single parents - children need the atmosphere of living in a home, not an apartment
290	Low cost housing. Co-op housing. Assisted living housing.
291	- Affordable low income/subsidized housing that persons on social assistance could actually pay with the \$360 a month that is allowed by the Ministry
292	Accessible housing for people with disabilities.
293	Assisted living for elderly, nursing home places and reasonable quality low income housing.
294	Full care facility
295	Identify areas that may be improved by "co-op" activities.
296	Too many houses are being sold, not rented out.
297	More low income housing.
298	Build good affordable rental housing. Encourage rental instead of sales until stock of units improve.
299	Increase the # of units of government assisted housing while we are creating higher paying jobs so that we don't need assisted housing.
300	low income housing
301	low rental housing for the elderly and financially challenged
302	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.
303	build smaller homes and affordable apartments.
304	Senior care Affordable apartments Fair taxation
305	Not a priority. Job creation and industry and small business and positive thinking - keeping people here able to work and stay here.
306	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: 	55	9.35%
GOOD: 	311	52.89%
FAIR: 	174	29.59%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	38	6.46%
POOR: 	10	1.7%
Total Responded to this question:	588	85.84%
Total who skipped this question:	97	14.16%
Total:	685	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: 	36	6.11%
GOOD: 	227	38.54%
FAIR: 	221	37.52%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	85	14.43%
POOR: 	20	3.4%
Total Responded to this question:	589	85.99%
Total who skipped this question:	96	14.01%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	279	100%
Total Responded to this question:	279	40.73%
Total who skipped this question:	406	59.27%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Build a new library and cultural centre Invest in major community literacy initiatives
2	Wages that support young people saving for future training or are adequate for families to send children to university/technical schools.
3	Further growth for VIU
4	new library- now!
5	We have an excellent school system in Dist # 47 a new library would be nice
6	I think that the University and Library are trying. The School Board should come out of its kingdom on the hill and make the schools more available.
7	Must have a larger public library. Public school libraries have to be better funded with professional librarians and better books.
8	the library is an issue, but should not be built on the old arena site
9	we need a new library
10	more awareness and community events
11	Employers and families in general should promote education to a greater degree.
12	Supporting single parents with small children and pre-school education...as well as up to Grade 5. Mandatory reading and writing a priority.
13	There should be more computers and training available to the public and seniors.
14	get parents to support their kids in school
15	a new library in the place that is within walking distance for many residents &/or has adequate parking
16	Address educational issues New Library Greater interactive opportunities between young and old
17	New library
18	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
19	A new library
20	the commitment from City Council and the Regional District to support and fund a new library... it is time!!!
21	Having the services for when people need them
22	Continue with the good work that is being done.
23	Require teachers to be in their actual class room available to students and parents from 8am to 5pm like other 40hr per week workers.
24	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....
25	try to establish local schools such as the Academy of music /arts to locate here
26	The new library should be attached to the new Elem. for better utilization of everyone. Brooks is expanding the trades which is good the the young.
27	new library
28	A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library. A new library.
29	Involved parents
30	Library is deperately in need of relocation/rebuilding. Seems to be good exposure to literacy programs, Toastmasters and story telling club beneficial
31	Tutor support offered through alternative programs
32	I think there could be more programs available through different agencies to help encourage this initiative
33	we need a new library and newer books. with the advanced technology more will download books unless it is available.
34	The City, VIU and School Board need to come together a create a community learning campus.
35	good school teachers
36	New, expanded library Writing center Expanded VIU courses for credit
37	We must embrace technology and create a system that is cutting edge to attract families to PR for a top notch education experience: music, arts, rec.
38	A higher priority for the library. Maybe more reading and writing competitions for students.
39	Powell River Schools are an embarrassment on every level

40 New library and new museum

41 Focusing on the Early Years and reaching the young affected by poverty issues and dis functional family life.

42 REALISTIC FINANCING AND GOOD TEACHERS WITH AN UP-TO-DATE CURRICULUM

43 more help for those who fall between the cracks;

44 No child left behind is excellent mandate. Also adult literacy is crucial.

45 Young people who leave school early have abysmal skills even in computer use. This could be rectified with training provided by a community agency

46 Build a new library on the "old arena" site. Give all people access to a waterfront facility where learning, literacy and community are encouraged.

47 We need a new library; ORCA bus is great!

48 Current efforts are super but better funding and access are needed. many (local) adults are seriously under educated/ unemployable; a widening gap

49 better teaching in schools to encourage students to read - right now not an issue for teachers to ensure children learn

50 New library. Supports for preschools and daycares. More trades education.

51 ensure funding of early literacy programs is maintained and to provide more opportunities for upgrading for those who did not complete grade school

52 A bigger library.

53 More internet connectivity. Create a functional library in a reasonable location. Willingdon South is NOT a reasonable location.

54 provide a decent library

55 We need a larger library. Smaller classrooms more help for children with difficulties

56 advanced education.stimulate learning throughout the community with funding and supportive programs...become international centre.a hub...

57 improvements to the library

58 education should be learner oriented ie hands on , school classrooms smaller , programs that lead to employment,

59 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.

60 A new library is so 90's. We need a multi-media centre! w/ LOTS of internet terminals with software for language learning, researching,etc (and books)

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

62 Elders who are literate and value reading. Teach the elders and kids at the same time.

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

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

65 We need a new Library.

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

67 Get a better library space.

68 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.

69 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

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

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

72 27 - don't have the tools to rate this 28 - once again, we need expanded library and financial support for youth and community res centres is key

73 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.

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

75 Free education

76 Read my forthcoming book. We have an outstanding opportunity to do what no community has yet accomplished. Could be an imp;ortant industry for us.

77 intergenerational programs in schools

78 New library with decent facilities

79 Set higher standards in the schools.

80 On Texada the library is run well by volunteers, but the school population is decreasing rapidly. There are no opportunities for young people.

81 wouldn't a new library be great.

82 need a new library building / new museum space

83 continue our current programs

84 NEED INNOVATION IN THE "NEW LIBRARY & continuing education center" that PR DESPERATELY NEEDS

85 The new library initiative deserves support. Encourage support for local media such as radio, newspapers, websites.

86 Adult education

87 New Library (as planned...)

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

89 Build a new library NOW.

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

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

92 A new library!!!

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

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

95 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!

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

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

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

99 Increase offerings at local VIU campus.

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

101 Building a state of the art library accessible to all within the community.

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

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

104 Keep both available to poor as well as rich.

105 a smashing new library

106 Involve drop outs to get involved with some kind of on the job training .

107 reach individuals when they are young

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

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

110 Adequate funding for the library and a broader curriculum for the university.

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

112 Council must ACT on the question of a new and enhanced library..get on with it.

113 continued support of library

114 funding for a new library

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

116 New library

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

118 Our library facility is worse than libraries in smaller communities.

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

120 Improve faster broadband service at a reasonable cost. Reduce the number of residents who can only use dialup. Online learning is hopeless on dialup.

121 A friendly library to children and teens- too crowded now. Between the school system and the college there are great programs to catch learners not ge

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

123 Build a new library near Willington beach More post secondary education programs

124 Education and dissemination of information

125 Build a new multi-purpose library

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

127 Build a bigger and better supplied/supported library

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

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

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

131 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

132 New library

133 Get the library going at Willingdon-south before the developers get it

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

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

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

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

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

139 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

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

141 Support the local library.

142 volunteer system put in place, no shame. School system a joke due to immigrants illiterate period and brat, self entitled striking idiot "teachers".

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

144 We need a new library based on attracting patrons. Combine a school with a community center.

145 A new library

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

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

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

149 build a new library

150 Continued emphasis on early intervention strategies and programs.

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

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

153 Help young children with the supplies needed if their families can't afford them. This includes tutors if needed.

154 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

155 A new library!!!

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

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

158 No, to the library at Willingdon.

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

160 A larger and more visible library.

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

162 their learning is good to go the Vancouver Island University

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

164 Smaller neighbourhood schools with good libraries in them.

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

166 Build a library

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

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

169 a bigger easier assessible library

170 NEW LIBRARY

171 a new library

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

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

174 Not enough quality teachers and after school learning/teaching facilities.

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

176 NEW LIBRARY world class up to date facility charges reasonable \$ to use Increase school standards to raise real reading level through public speaking

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

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

179 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

180 More funding to education...kids can't read and they are labelled 'behavioural' The CRC is fantastic and at risk of closing if it is not funded!

181 I'll say it again, Library Plan needs to move forward. Go Ilok at Courtenays library and you will see how embarrassing PR's is....

182 Basic literacy is being addressed here.

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

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

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

186 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

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

188 Advertising mentorship programs at VIU

189 Build a new library

190 Our schools & teachers are great. We do need a bigger library space with more computers for those who don't have their own.

191 NEED LIBRARY

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

193 continue

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

195 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

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

197 New library and better support for children with learning disabilities.

198 Better elementary schools... better library

199 Build a new library behind City Hall which is centrally located.

200 The public library should be within easy walking distance from a mall

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

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

203 A larger library!!!

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

205 programing!!!!

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

207 It should be FREE to anyone who needs it. There are people I know who are functionally illiterate.

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

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

210 why is the library closed on sundays?

211 bigger better library!

212 Satellite learning centres in all areas

213 a larger more fully equiped library with on going programs to encourage youth

214 good free library access and re-asserting teaching of the "basics" through to high school graduation

215 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

216 better library. mobile library for outlying areas and those without transportation.

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

218 New library and museum next to RCMP station will provide easy access to culture and reading / information research

219 - support a new library - the literacy initiatives appear to be great - support international students/exchange

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

221 A new library would be an asset to the community

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

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

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

225 Client-centered programs.

226 Build a new Library/Cultural Centre

227 Improving library facilities and services.

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

229 upgrade public library, move to more central location (with art gallery?) contact Eva VanLoon for support and ideas (she does much work in literacy)

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

231 Having programs available for individuals who need support.

232 There needs to be more encouragement for illiterate people to go to classes and groups to help them learn

233 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.

234 an expanded library

235 maybe think about replacing the decrepit old library and fund it better so we can have more books?

236 The library is an excellent facility. As an educated 'outsider' - I notice the lower levels of education thru noting the limited av. vocabulary.

237 Open mind to adapt to computers for teaching

238 New library with inviting children's area, meeting rooms, sufficient shelf space, computer terminals.

239 a new library

240 BUILD A NEW LIBRARY!! NOW!!!

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

242 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.

243 new library (computer oriented) required

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

245 Need an improved library.

246 If a community is in a downward spiral, there is no incentive to learning. However, a positive forward thinking city can create a learning environment

247 Build a community library/ cultural center

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

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

250 Knowing that there are opportunities available once they are completed training.

251 learning centers reading groups to children -

252 engaging the families. Addressing the gap between on & off reserve children by using cultural and community oriented programs

253 healthy activities for families; reinforcing and acknowledging reading efforts

254 Work with all local organizations to address community issues. Adult learning accessibility especially for those groups not readily represented.

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

256 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

257 Dollars

258 Community input + feedback to the service delivery agent

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

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

261 Library is small, need a bigger one. Better public education about importance of education.

262 We desperately need a better Library. More, appropriate space for more resources and additional programming is a great need.

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

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

265 New library! Community centre.

266 NEW library and museum spaces. Cultural centre as well for SFN.





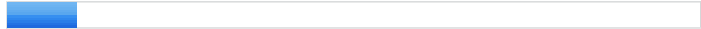
267 The old library is too old, small and inadequate for the number of people using it.

268 Good


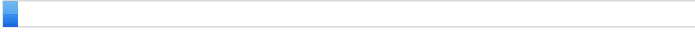



269	The library is small. Not many activities.
270	An expanded library is needed.
271	A larger library and more local classes/courses (and/or courses relevant to Powell River) at Vancouver Island College
272	Raise consciousness about the need to have a higher level of literacy to compete in today's world. Enlarge and upgrade library.
273	Build a functional library
274	Looking forward to the new library. It would be great join up with the Vancouver Island Regional Library.
275	new library
276	Outreach. Free programs with easy access. Glossy posters do not do the job. Be realistic.
277	more government funding should be spent on alternative types of education.
278	Improve the library Keeping kids, especially first nations, in school Identifying homes with problems
279	We are not a socialist country. There is only so much tax base and not enough income from jobs. It's a bit of a catch 22 but we need more industry.

30.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	18	3.01%
GOOD: 	154	25.71%
FAIR: 	225	37.56%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	140	23.37%
POOR: 	62	10.35%
Total Responded to this question:	599	87.45%
Total who skipped this question:	86	12.55%
Total:	685	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: 	5	0.83%
GOOD: 	13	2.16%
FAIR: 	85	14.1%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	191	31.67%
POOR: 	309	51.24%
Total Responded to this question:	603	88.03%
Total who skipped this question:	82	11.97%
Total:	685	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:	409	100%
Total Responded to this question:	409	59.71%
Total who skipped this question:	276	40.29%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Repeal the Coastal Ferry Act Make the ferry same as the highway and charge or don't charge but charge the same for each Improve intercity bus service
2	Ferries are part of our highway system and as such Government should treat them that way.....
3	In PP, make bus use realistic. Vote NDP to restore ferries to public asset and reduce fares.
4	More bike paths sooner
5	Resident discounts for ferries Only pay one way for ferry transportation Lower fares/subsidized by profitable runs More frequent buses daily
6	smaller buses.why do you need forty seats when so few people use the losser cruiser
7	Provincial half price ferry cards for coastal residents. Build bridges. Same gas prices as on the Island. Build bike and walking paths.
8	Make the government understand that reasonable ferry rates are vital to our well-being.
9	continue to push the BC Gov to look at the ferry coastal act and make much needed changes that reconize the ferrys as our high way. Affordability Key
10	Need a safe, well lit walking/biking path between Westview and Townsite and going up into Wildwood. Subsidized bus passes for low income people.
11	more public transit, more routes, more buses, set up car pools, ride-shares for people north and south of town
12	Reduce ferry fares
13	pr residents should be given a discount on ferries. ferry prices are too expensive & reduces the amout of visitors to PR Too. Reduce Ferry fares now
14	get the cost of the ferries back down to a reasonable rate
15	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.
16	Powell River ferries, our highway and lifeline, should subsidize PR more. The degree, to which, there is no easy answer.
17	Make the ferries commuter based; don't add the fancy tourist stuff until summer months. Smaller, community buses. 12-20 seaters. Bike lanes.
18	Offer extended handibus service
19	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
20	long term plan for road access
21	Ensure we are heard about the need to keep ferry rates reasonable.
22	Reduce the cost of our ferry system Encourage walking and cycling facilities
23	The BC ferries act should be revisited to encourage a broader view of the cost, not on a route by route basis as other government services are.
24	Work with other communities that would benefit from improved access to Powell River
25	More smaller buses. Too many nearly empty large buses running around town.
26	stronger understanding of the ferry problems and more and stronger lobbying to the government for more stable ferry service. The ferries ARE ROADS
27	Reduce ferry fares Upgrade the road to Lund Extend Manson Ave, through to highway 101
28	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
29	Reduce Ferry rates
30	Rally was a good idea to voice our concern on fares. Nice to see transist being promoted and possible bike lanes.
31	vanpool?
32	Add more bus runs to North and South of town. Ferry costs need to be addressed. Comox ferry should be on Powell River side.
33	Two smaller busses that run in opposite directions continually on the marine/Joyce loop.
34	This is our highway we should NOT have to pay for ferry
35	Transit improving = good thing. InceasE frequency & efficiency of routes. Ferry fares becoming prohibitive. KKEP ADVOCATING - B/C IS OUR HIGHWAY

36 LOWER FERRY COSTS!!

37 Is reducing car use necessarily the best goal? I feel it's way over-rated.

38 The second ferry is absolutely vital--it must be supported

39 REsident cards should be used for athletics and events that take place out of Powell River

40 we need to have a ferry corporation that understands the uniqueness of coastal communities, and have fair rates.

41 increase ferry schedule- especially in summer & holidays - reduce ferry fares

42 Paid parking in town. Create car cooperatives and cooperative in-town delivery of groceries, etc. Wait for fossil fuel prices to do our work for us.

43 We need our own ferry....BC Ferry has had more than 40 years and it is still lacking

44 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)

45 Work with gov to control ferry costs Ferry highway pass for locals

46 BC ferries and the prices are killing the community, these ships are our highways and it make it very difficult for people to visit our community

47 Give us a newer faster ferry, a special rate for residents, cheaper air fares

48 Planning & Parks Department is ineffectual creating a walkable community trail system. No development agreements on this because no new housing.

49 -we need more bicycle lanes/routes -there should be a designated walkway/bike lane from townsite to Westview along Marine Ave.

50 have more affordable plane tickets to and from powell river.

51 lower ferry rates.

52 subsidise the ferry, as in the past - our highway - you know the drill/reasons

53 better public transportation, control ferry costs

54 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

55 Explore alternative modes: could PR be an "Electric Vehicle Pilot Program"? A real bike path/walking path to Saltery Bay.

56 Give some consideration to pedestrians when designing or repairing roads and public areas.

57 transit system is great. taxi service is excellent. Ferry service is a complete disaster and it is killing this community. air service is excellent

58 BC Ferries prices and service needs a major overhaul. Ferries with elevators that haven't worked in months are unacceptable. Prices are INSANE!

59 BCFerries is a monopoly and the government continues to support their control instead of looking for ways to reduce cost

60 significantly reduce fares as this is our highway

61 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.

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

63 REPLACE THE CURRENT FERRY MANAGEMENT

64 Decrease ferry fairs. It is part of our highways. We need that to get in and out of town.

65 less expensive ferry cost

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

67 Provide residents with subsidies

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

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

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

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

72 affordable transit (including ferries)

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

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

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

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

77 affordability and accessibility

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

79 Revolt against BC Ferries. Create bike lanes and sidewalks.

80 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

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

82 Promote and encourage ride sharing. Ferry should overnight here and not Comox, allowing us the first sailing.

83 look at the options of a alternative to the ferry system.powell river will always suffer due to the privatization of the ferries.dry land route...?

84 Fight to keep Ferry fares down so that doing business and living in Powell River remains to be economical.

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

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

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

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

89 We need to DEMAND affordable ferry fares. Tax rebate/credit for bicycle maintenance costs and bike safety gear. Car sharing systems!!!

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

91 Do something serious about ferry costs.

92 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

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

94 Encourage the idea of a community owned tug and barge to bring food and essentials to Powell River thereby sidestepping the ferries and supermarkets.

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

96 Make sure our concerns are heard and responded to.

97 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

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

99 Every bus which passes my home on Marine Ave is 90% MT. Better to reduce fare to 25 cents and fill the bus !!!!

100 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

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

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

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

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

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

106 Quit snivelling about ferry costs! Housing costs here are marginal so use a miniscule part of these savings to ferry to where ever you want to go

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

108 Mass transit should be free, more buses, reduce ferry fares, good luck!

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

110 not all people can afford all things. i believe in user pay, including ferries and planes. the other option is free rides for folks who can't bother

111 lower ferry costs

112 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.

113 bike lanes/bike lanes/bike lanes

114 we need to promote alternate methods better, buses are a start but what about golf carts or quads within city boundaries.

115 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.

116 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.

117 On Texada there is no alternative to the car. High ferry fares are killing the island.

118 lobby for changes to Coastal Ferry Act create bike lanes on all major roads

119 make ferries part of the highway system and make fares affordable

120 remind the government our ferries are our highways, and should be treated as such

121 FERRIES WAY TOO EXPENSIVE,THEY SHOULD BE SUBSIDIZED AS PER THE REST OF THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM. BUS TO SALTERY BAY,SLIAMEN & LUND MORE OFTEN. FREE BIKES.O

122 Fire David Hawn

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

124 Revamp ferry system to give local residents a price break. Increase transportation subsidy from gov. Improve bike lanes. Improve rural

bus & hitch.

125 Reduce rates for powell river people

126 Integrate transportation for the Sunshine Coast, Powell River, Texada. Ferries, bus and shuttle services.

127 True bike lanes, better cycling infrastructure (dedicated covered parking, etc). More equitable ferry fares.

128 address ferry pricing and schedules

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

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

131 Better, and more reliable, service at a reasonable cost.

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

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

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

135 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

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

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

138 BC Ferries needs to be the same as inland ferries which are part of the highway system and free the rising cost of BC ferries will kill PR in time

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

140 build bridges to Texada Island and Vancouver Island

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

142 More bus routes, more frequent, decent service to rural areas. Real bike lanes, not just lip service Good luck on ferry costs, given rising fuel price

143 Lots of small, affordable buses. Use "people mover" vans, not large, under-utilized buses. Make all buses bike-friendly. Add commuter routes.

144 Reliable and increased bus service from Lund to Saltery Bay. Free public transportation for Powell River residents.

145 lobby the provincial govt to change their policies on privatizing the ferry system

146 resident rates at a considerable discount

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

148 Tolls on all major highways in BC to support free ferries Parking areas next to pedestrian zones

149 Get rid of high priced management. Fire David Hahn These ferries are our road

150 continue to provide public transit. Carpooling initiatives.

151 - road to the interior - improved rural bus system

152 A bus to Vancouver Island on a regular basis. Lower ferry prices.

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

154 But my fingers are crossed.

155 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

156 Better bus service, and bicycle lanes, and buy the ferry.

157 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.

158 Re-establish 'resident subsidies' to offset projected increases. Ferries should be looked upon as our road system

159 Ensure communications with BC Ferries are maintained. Let's look at ways to improve services on the ferries. We need to have more courteous staff

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

161 Issue residency cards to get a break on ferries

162 stop the empty buses...either get smaller buses or open the service to private businesses...don't like to subsidize

163 Support/stimulate public and cooperative transportation modes. Advocate recognition of ferries as part of provincial highway system.

164 We are part of the highway system and pay road taxes, the ferries should be FREE !!!!! for RESIDENTS !!! HIGH TIME to build a ROAD !!!!

165 Lower ferry fares Review concept of road access to avoid ferry monopoly

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

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

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

169 A new water taxi service to Comox and Texada Island that the community can afford. People are having to find jobs in Courtenay but live in Powell River

170	Fight to reduce ferry fares. Regular bus service in the out of town areas (ie. to Lund and south of town).
171	At \$60 each way to leave PR - the ferries are a problem. Our bus service is underused and not terribly useful. No bus to rec complex? Really?
172	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.
173	Stop increases to ferry fares above the rate of inflation.
174	We really need the ferries to be considered part of the highway system as is done in the Maritime provinces.
175	Better bicycle infrastructure Better bus service Ride sharing for ferries Alternative boat transport to BC ferries
176	ferry cost bus in the regional district
177	Good road conditions, subsidies for travel, alternatives
178	Travelling to the lower mainland is expensive.
179	Consider ferry and bus alternatives
180	SUBsidized at higher level by government
181	Provide reasonably priced ferry service as part of our highway system
182	An all-weather safe biking/walking route between Townsite and Westview. The Powell River - Little River ferry needs to be docked overnight in PR.
183	Ferries should be considered part of our highway and be better funded. Transit should run more often and later.
184	bike paths for both bikes and old people on scooters
185	Ferries are a HIGHWAY SYSTEM. Government should run it as a highway dept and make it PUBLIC!! Shutdown the ferry corp and fire the management
186	builid bridges
187	Ferry rates-down. PR to subsidize the Malaspina Coach Lines -need to get to Texada from Van in one day. KD Air fares are too high for local residents
188	provincail gov't needs to be made aware & recognize small communities on islands cannot sustain their economies with rapidly increasing fares.
189	subsidized ferry fares for residents of communities which rely on them---they are our highway and we already pay highway taxes to the province
190	We need shoulders on all main roadways, designated bike lanes and multipurpose pathways. The ferries are a major concern, they will drive down tourism
191	Provincial government needs to commit to reasonable ferry rates.
192	More services needed to the Island for appointments, shopping etc
193	Hard to get out of the car if you live north or south of the city
194	the ferry is our highway, paying the rates we do is highway robbery, locals need a break on ferries
195	Free ferry transportation for residents (we already pay 'highway tax'. An on-call taxi system instead of letting an empty buss drive.
196	Replace most of the bus fleet with mini busses. They seem to run empty most times. Use savings to lower fares.
197	Ferries are part of our highway system and need to be treated as such.
198	home berthing
199	Our community won't grow in a healthy and sustainable way without adequate & affordable access to medical care for everyone.
200	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
201	travel subsidies for the poor
202	Have a better public transit system that runs later in the night. Ferry prices are completely out of control and HAVE to be cheaper !!
203	Residents of Powell River or sunshine coast travell free.
204	Affordability and enviromentally sound alternatives
205	Get government to assume direct control of the ferry corporation.
206	create bicycle lanes on main routes. Heavily lobby the province to provide a reduced rate to local travellers.
207	ferry fares need to be affordable and the schedules need to improve. BC govt. needs to recognize ferry as our highway
208	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
209	CHEAP FERRY FARES! Subsidize if necessary. Texada residents can't afford the ferry to do anything in PR, arts, culture, sports, education included.
210	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...
211	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
212	ferry costs must be cost efficient for all ; reduce unnecesary bus runs. The bus often runs with 2-10 people and sometime empty-can we economize ?
213	Relocalization of all activity we can to reduce need for long distance transport. Bicycle. Walk. Car-pool. Hitchhike. Inspire personal

	interest.
214	ferries at cost, no profits, fed funding, fire politicians that allowed this fiasco. PR impossibly planned and built for elderly so supply the means.
215	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
216	Bike lanes, smaller buses with larger routes
217	Make ferries affordable again. In town, build bike lanes, educate drivers about bicyclists (they deserve to use the road too), covered bike racks.
218	Improve the ferry system
219	Better bussing options on the Comox side:) day trips to appointments, shopping, connecting to trains/buses. Lower ferry rates for children 12 - 19
220	Try to get the same deal as the Kootenay lake ferry. We are part of the Provincial highway system
221	Car share, truck share, lobby ferries, expand transit, bike paths (including in the RDI), 'no-vehicle' corridors, bike share, outlets for electric car
222	lobby government to decrease ferry fees create bike lanes for commuting/pleasure
223	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.
224	Ferry prices are a major concern for residents and those considering living in powell river
225	Commuter cards for Powell River residents, better ferry service, or build a toll bridge or tunnel, cheaper air flights
226	subsidize
227	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
228	Reclaim the ferry system as a SERVICE.
229	People who have cars do not want to get out of them. Increase bus service north and south of town. Encourage people to car pool. Public education.
230	Get the Ferries working for Powell River Residents. Reduce the cost. Create a bus service to and from the Island. Develop something that works!
231	We need road access and we know that isn't going to happen any time soon. So lower ferry fares. They are our highways.
232	Reasonable cost of ferry service.
233	Encourage bus use and build bicycle routes
234	ROAD & Bridges to interior and bridges to Island. Bridges would be toll bridges until they are paid for then toll eliminated
235	locally-improve the bus service and increase ridership with incentives
236	Bike paths beside roadways from Westview to Townsite, around Cranberry Lake and Paradise Valley so it is safe. Keep increasing bus service
237	better and lower fares ferry service
238	lower the ferry rates
239	Cheaper ferry cost to visit family Nanaimo and Victoria
240	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
241	Lobby harder for lower ferry fares. Small shuttle buses to ferry terminals.
242	get a bridge or road to mainland. ferries are holding us hostage especially is on a low income
243	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
244	make the ferries affordable -- local cards for residents
245	Treat the Ferries as part of the highway system and subsidize costs accordingly to keep fares affordable! We don't want ot wind up like Ocean Falls!
246	reduce ferry costs for residents of Powell River
247	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
248	get a road
249	Have smaller buses in town. they should run every 20 minutes,in the morning and afer 2.30 and have quick connections.
250	BIKE LANES, car sharing cooperatives, more and free buses. these solutions are all in use elsewhere, we are WAY behind on this.
251	People are resourceful: when motivated to get somewhere, they'll usually find a way. Set up carpool website & tips for screening riders/drivers
252	Obviously the cost of ferry travel and also flight cost to a degree too. Because we live here we are penalized due to greed & lack of competition.
253	Stop trying to stop people from using their vehicle. Encourage people to go places in car or truck as this also drives employment.
254	Reasonable ferry fares. There is assistance for medical appointments. we have ferry elevators that do not work and affect people with mobility issues.
255	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.

256 Widen roads for bikes, meet with governmnet re high ferry costs or look at road options

257 lower ferry fares.

258 BIKE LANES !!!!! We've got the space. The ferries are our highways. The toll is too high already, raising it is no solution.

259 Why is there not a Green Wave for Joyce Avenue? it's silly not to have it being that we only have 3 lights, it will reduce emmisions and save gas.

260 Have more bus service north and south of town.

261 No cost for Ferries and road access to and from Powell River.

262 Cost reduction.

263 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.

264 work with government to get ferry fares lowered create bike paths bus scheduling more often especially during peak hours

265 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).

266 rural bus service schedule is designed so that a person can not have a job and commute into town! re-do the rual bus schedule so people can commute

267 Build a bridge to Sea-to-Sky highway

268 Make walkers and cyclists feel safer and more welcome on their streets.

269 On Joyce, the 3 lane setup is danferous for bike riders. Have one footpath for bikes, the other for pedestrians- or widen footpaths.

270 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.

271 Put ferries back in to gov't ownership. Dept of Hghways is doing a great job with inland ferries.

272 I'm still waiting for the yearly new 1km bike lanes the council promised two years ago, nothing happened. PR has how many bike racks? I'd guess 5 or 6

273 Bike lane needed on Joyce - sidewalk widened? and bike path on Marine from Ferry terminal to Grief Point

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

275 The ferry is part of our highway - we need resident cards again to get a discount on fares, going both to Vancouver Island & to Vancouver.

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

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

278 reduce ferry costs by returning the ferry system to the dept of highways

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

280 safer bike routes, more frequent bus and encourage alternative fuel use on cars where possible.. to many trucks in town.

281 Lower ferry prices

282 **** Push hard for a land route. I would rather pay a mortgage on a road (toll) than rent on a ferry. ****

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

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

285 I am daily disheartened by the lack of pedestrian infrastructure, especiall around TC Mall (crosswalks and sidewalks for strollers would be great).

286 Bus service from Saltery Bay ferry lower ferry cost

287 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.

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

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

290 Make ferry service reliable and affordable.

291 reduce prices and increase times of travel

292 make government realize that the ferries are our highway and make them affordable

293 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.)

294 bridge

295 If ferries bother you get the hell out

296 Real bike and walk paths and lanes throughout town!

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

298 LOW FERRY FARES!! - buses all day, everyday, all around town - lund, and south of town.

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

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

301 seperate bike lanes for safety, educate motorists about sharing the road,

302 Encourage more biking through share the road signs (educating drivers) and a painted bike lane all the way down Joyce street.

303 Bus fares are too high to make them economical for me to use for going to work. Ferry fares are expensive.

304 Develop proper sidewalk and bike lane infrastructure. Powell River is in the dark ages, people walking the streets because they're no proper sidewalks

305 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

306 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

307 Ferry fares and cost of gas should not increase anymore.

308 Once the City has failed us miserably

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

310 we need some paved pathways for roller blading ie. willingdon beach trail and/or seawalk. many towns have a beautiful path.

311 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

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

313 construct road way /bridge or tunnel combination to connect to the lower mainland. We will never have control of ferry service or pricing.

314 Petition for reduced ferry fees for residents on routes directly related to Powell River (and all isolated communities).

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

316 without the ferries we are trapped here. ferry service to the mainland should be free. routes here should also be cheapest and smallest fare hikes

317 Ferry service needs to be subsidized. especially for families having to continuually travel out of town for sporting or cultural events.

318 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.

319 the over size buss'could meet Saltery ferries and go Lund 2 X daily. Smaller buss' & more of them. Overland hiway to the lower mainland via Squamish

320 more transit in the regional areas. only see transit for physically or mentally handicapped in these areas

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

322 fix road to Lund and Padgett Road; restabilize and repave Westview Avenue; complete works for cycling master plan; more street-side lock ups for bikes

323 -stop raising ferry fares - crippling our economy and negatively affecting our social wellbeing - we need to circulate and move around to keep vibrant

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

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

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

327 Demand to the provincial goverment that the ferry fares be lowered for coastal communities like powell river and put new ferries on the runs

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

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

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

331 Throw out the BC Coastal Ferry Act. Make BC Ferries public and part of our Highway system.

332 Continued advocacy for affordable ferry travel. Move beyond 'share the lane' signs and put in extensive bike lanes. Car free section once per month?

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

334 moe bike lanes in pr

335 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

336 subsidise ferries for residents public-use bicycles (pay w credit card, ie: Toronto) Bike lanes

337 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

338 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.

339 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

340 The ferry service should be part of the highway system the same as it is in the interior where they have alternate choices.





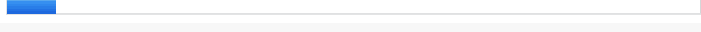
341 We should have free ferry transport in and out of the Sunshine Coast as we are on a main highway.

342 ferry prices high, everything high..no tourists, small businesses die(like this year) ..none of us can afford to leave PR, so we just dont
343 Lower the ferry fares so it's affordable for everyone to leave town.
344 Ferry system is broken and only a road to the lower mainland will fix it
345 instead of hitch hiking have a local licensing system. drivers and riders are licensed. riders purchase tickets. Drivers exchange tickets for cash
346 1. ferries costs are unacceptable. we are likely moving to chilliwack because of the ridiculous increases. 2. better bike paths for safe biking
347 re-nationalize public transportation
348 Better and affordable ferry services.
349 At a critical stage: the ferry is too infrequent and way too expensive for the average family.
350 MOT should provide free oneway service
351 Increase rural buses Build a bike route system Promote a single carpool program for PR and beyond
352 bike lanes and bike paths reduce ferry fares
353 more bus service. more ferry service. free ferries. bike lanes, traffic calmed streets
354 Cycle paths need to be wider to make it safe. Share the road signs are a waste of money. Look at holland to see a barrier to separate cars from bikes
355 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
356 Change the BC Ferries Act. Make ferry service affordable, reliable, safe: under the direction of the Ministry of Transportation.
357 Accessibility. Or an alternate. BC Ferries monopoly - can we provide an alternative?
358 realistic ferry costs/part of highway not a profit centre
359 Establish that ferries are our highways and must be free. Establish cooperative and ridesharing ways of getting around. Increase public transport.
360 Build a road to Squamish.
361 Number 1 Alternative to BC Ferries is a transportation route across To Sechelt.
362 Public transit, tax private automobile use in order for to pay for public transit
363 Have electric vehicles in our bus fleet, more linking of bus routes.
364 Buses that can be counted on, with only a short wait, until midnight. Promotional activities to get people to try the bus.
365 Reduce ferry costs!
366 Resident discount cards for ferry or one way fares
367 Lower ferry costs. More busses
368 - reallocate some of David Hahn's salary to help reduce ferry costs
369 lower prices
370 Accessible Transit. Bus schedules that work for people outside the westview area. Help for those who need to travel outside PR ie rising ferry cost
371 actually, the transit system is the best i have ever seen in a small town
372 costs \$100.00 dollars return, and a schedule,
373 affordable ferries
374 Lower ferry costs, because unfortunately we can not build a bridge to the island + a highway through the mainland is too costly
375 Create services willing to address this need
376 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
377 ferry cost should decreased for locals
378 Access to transportation according to community needs and not according to budget.
379 As per my previous comment, it is time to focus on an alternative to BC Ferries. A road would change everything.
380 Continue to lobby at all levels of gov't.
381 The ferry service should receive government support and be considered as part of the highway, therefore almost free. Expand and lower cost of flights
382 Ferries are too expensive now have to pay both ways. More frequent buses to Sliammon.
383 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.
384 Ferry Service negotiation to pay one way coming into Powell River, same as Sechelt People - cost is limiting people
385 PR - Little River run should only pay one way Rates for car and passenger too high
386 Demand ferry costs figured as part of our marine highway not as profit for a private corp.
387 Resident cards. Lobby loudly for BC ferries to be a public corp again, make it so that people don't want to leave because we have everything here..


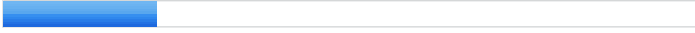


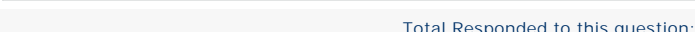
388	Make the ferries a part of the highway as they are in the Interior of BC. People who reside in PR should not be charged for using the ferries.
389	Raise your political awareness. Get involved.
390	Get ferry fares reduced and increase public transit, especially north and south of town.
391	Keep ferry fares affordable. ore bike paths.
392	Bike lane for seniors on motorized scooters
393	Road surfaces need to be safe for driving, walking & cycling. Ferry service must be maintained, perhaps subsidized.
394	Ferry fares go up too often.
395	Perhaps a private donation-funded community-run driving service to transport medical patients.
396	Better bus service. Ferry costs should be more affordable for residents of the area.
397	reduce the cost of ferries for residents of powell river
398	Reduce ferry fares
399	An express bus from one end of Powell River to the other.
400	Build a overland road to Squamish. Increase public transportation options for people to get to and from their jobs.
401	Build a highway to the interior.
402	Get those bike lanes in and subsidize BC Ferries.
403	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.
404	lower ferry fares. bicycle lanes/paths
405	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.
406	much better ferry service
407	Affordable ferries Connecting schedules Keep our bus system
408	Be self responsible. Life costs. Get a job and live within ones means.
409	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: 	13	2.23%
GOOD: 	177	30.36%
FAIR: 	262	44.94%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	92	15.78%
POOR: 	39	6.69%
Total Responded to this question:	583	85.11%
Total who skipped this question:	102	14.89%
Total:	685	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: 	9	1.57%
GOOD: 	126	21.99%
FAIR: 	267	46.6%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	117	20.42%
POOR: 	54	9.42%
Total Responded to this question:	573	83.65%
Total who skipped this question:	112	16.35%
Total:	685	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:	266	100%
Total Responded to this question:	266	38.83%
Total who skipped this question:	419	61.17%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Amalgamate City and Regional District Amalgamate police, fire and ambulance service into one entity
2	New earth quake proof fire hall tougher courts and sentencing
3	Develop and Emergency Response plan and practice as a community. Devote some money to warehousing some non-perishable supplies.
4	training, education
5	educate the public
6	I do not know what PR has in place for this.
7	These questions should have had another answer. I don't know!
8	Enforcement of rural areas where clearly drugs are being sold. Surveillance videos subsidized for business. More police to "walk a beat".
9	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
10	education practice sessions in residential areas
11	Don't know
12	Public meetings re earthquake survival
13	are the bridges safe? what is the plan for earthquakes? are the volunteers ready and willing, and knowledgeable? where are the likely problems?
14	Educate youth on drugs and encourage programs which offer alternatives to drugs and video games etc.
15	We need to look behind reasons of vandalism and source and deal effectively with situation not a blanket police approach.
16	Live webcams. Promote to tourists Powell River Live! lessen the criminal element if they might be live or recorded on video
17	Hot spots for drug activity need to addressed. Powell River needs to be above average in terms of disaster preparedness because of our isolation.
18	Perpetual offending students attend military-style bording school encompassing academics, exercise, and regular chores to support the communal livin
19	BERTH FERRY IN WESTVIEW. MOVE GAS/PROPANE TANKS out of RESIDENTIAL AREA. Emergency preparedness does good job but needs + pubic engagement/awareness
20	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.
21	re #33: we never know that these things are occurring as local media if PATHETIC at doing their job with NEWS. Feels like there is little problem
22	we are at the end of a complex distribution chain and therefore vulnerable
23	Stop drug usage
24	More publicly visible emergency prep. Consumerism is a bigger threat than vandalism.
25	More frequent public awareness efforts
26	Don't know enough about #34. Individual responsibility, including my own, is weak. Getting people out to PEP events/training sessions is key.
27	No response
28	Unfortuantly drugs are every where in our community and it seems as though it is accepted and that the autoritie do very little to combat it
29	shut down the known drug houses.
30	No pandemic plan in place and communicated to public. Municipal buildings have not had seismic upgrades. ESS needs to be visible and educate people.
31	-we need more high profile community projects which target these problems and ask concerned citizens to be involved. -take social issues seriously!
32	We should be aloud to have poultry on our porperties in areas that aren't just wildwood
33	stiffer sentencing for abusers of children
34	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
35	Again, it's about jobs, economic stability.

36 Education. Maybe a stronger police presence.

37 engage the community in getting involved through neighbourhood watch and crime stoppers- also more attention to drug and alcohol rehab

38 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.

39 Powell River would be devastated with even a minor event. The infrastructure is well beyond its design life and the emergency personal is under staffed

40 Just had one bout of vandalism at Dinner Rock . More visible effective police presence.

41 an annual evacuation practise

42 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!

43 Provide training and access to jobs outside Powell River, as well as addiction services. Poverty is responsible for many of our problems.

44 Police should be more proactive and community-minded. Some emergency work is done, but needs to get to the community members

45 Become more self-sufficient. Grow food. Learn survival skills/first aid. Have an emergency plan & practice it. Zero tolerance for bullying.

46 Emergency plans need to be developed for all areas and then widely communicated

47 close the education gap, prevention vs punitive response, focus on children's rights/ UN resolution

48 more individual emergency training needed

49 evacuation plan? what would we do in case of forest fire that would devastate the city?

50 Earthquake preparedness. Food security. We need to be able to feed ourselves.

51 dont know

52 Emergency preparedness workshops. Importance placed on food security.

53 Community plan in place

54 Increase amount of locally grown food.

55 Get rid of the methadone clinic.

56 Havent a clue

57 More information given to the community should there be an earthquake.

58 if there's an earthquake,be prepared to deal with the toxins from the mill...culture/entertainment,helps cut down on crime.

59 Young people are the largest offenders in question 33. They need other outlets to spend their time on in a community that is geared towards retirees.

60 INFORM THE public regarding question 34, I feel safe in this town,

61 City needs a better emergency coordinator and a better plan - major dramatic practices are not helping the people learn any skills.

62 Demand that emergency vehicles only turn on sirens when they are in dense traffic. Flashing lights will do fine most of the time—no atmosphere of fear

63 Can we please not have the police doing so many make-work-project, petty, mass traffic stops at mid-day, please? Seatbelts? License? for God' sake!

64 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

65 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!

66 We continue to have mock disaster to ensure preparedness in a disaster. Need new Fire Hall.

67 We need Regional District plan as well as the Municipal one

68 We should create an umbrella emergency committee to coordinate and oversee in the case of an emergency. this committee should have authority.

69 We need laws, which are enforced, to punish folks who do this. Our justice system is a "joke". Our police do a good job, it is judges at fault.

70 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

71 Wish I knew!

72 thefts go unresolved due to limited investigation, graffiti isn't removed promptly encouraging more,

73 Get the little skate boarders OFF the ROADS, NOW!!!

74 support the new youth resource centre

75 34 - don't have the tools to answer 35 - no city large or small is equipped to handle any major emergency or catastrophe

76 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...

77 Get the drug dealers booted out! Discourage drinking.

78 More drills

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

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

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

82 I am not aware of any plans on Texada

83 community initiative for emergency planning/kits

84 make sure support services are trained for emergencies

85 BC IS NOT WELL ENOUGH PREPARED. ITS COMING SOON, LOOK AT JAPAN, THEY WERE VERY PREPARED & IT WAS NOT ENOUGH. WAKE UP ACT NOW BEFORE ITS TOO LATE. LOVE

86 Provide on-going information to the population regarding services available during major emergencies.

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

88 upgrade structures needed to support the community in an emergency; fire halls, areas to house/feed people, availability of local electrical power

89 Be more aggressive in enforcing laws applicable to drug pushers and users.

90 -on the job and in the school training in first aid and emergency procedures

91 Ensure communication corridors are maintained.

92 If something major happens, how is a community of 20000 people who are dependent on food shipping in, expected to eat?

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

94 -continue to work away at the underlying causes for poverty, addiction -engage youth in society -discourage dangerous industry (eg LNG)

95 am unaware of what we have so no opinion

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

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

98 Promote local food. Becoming less reliant on outside sources for foods and goods.

99 Stronger encouragement and education to tell people about emergency preparedness

100 flyer to each home with emergency plan outline specific to Powell River where our trauma centres are etc. what

101 We are pretty safe and secure here.

102 Way to deal with the vandalism and anti-social behaviour.

103 Need to focus on vandalism, immediately cleaned and fixed. Drug situation has improved in community. Educate the young about value self, community.

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

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

106 Create food and transportation self-sufficiency. Lots of planning and discussion of this, imagining eventualities.

107 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

108 Sorry...no expertise !!

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

110 Continue to inform people re disaster planning

111 Crack down on poor driving habits - failure to stop at stop signs, use signals and speeding

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

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

114 Better communications with the community, more drills, up to date First Nations fire service

115 We need to support the Community Resource Centre, which supports marginalized people in our community. We need a campaign for emergency preparedness.

116 Imagine that as an isolated community we will run out of food fairly quickly if our ports are destroyed.

117 Poverty is the root of anti-social behaviour.

118 Develop a community emergency plan Support local food infrastructure

119 city must put money and resources into youth and social issues

120 Powell River is a very safe community

121 More coordination of emergency services, more frequent practices

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

123 Too many druggies, drug houses. Too many out of control kids doing damage, hanging out...

124 Wait. Educate Practise

125 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?

126 Police officers that are trained

127	More education.
128	Establish Truck/dangerous goods route from new barge terminal eastbound up improved road that is now tunneled under Marine Ave/Hwy 101 north.
129	Get to know your neighbours so that you can help each other if necessary. The guy with the chainsaw just might be your saviour.
130	education; encouraging community preparedness by neighbourhood
131	information of what services can be accessed
132	More police presence in town. Too much graffiti and vandalism going on for the size of the town. Need to educate people to report suspicious behavior
133	Create jobs, increase better transportation in and out of Powell river.
134	More public involvement, ie. COPS, looking out for one another
135	The COPS program was very successful in reducing crime - is it still going? Engaging youth is a difficult endeavour - maybe talk to the kids?
136	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
137	Expand emerg. mgmt program. more ESS volunteers & training, practice evacuations. Evaluate roads, bridges, public bldgs for seismic integrity& upgrade
138	The people of Powell river will pull together in an emergency. I'd rather be here than anywhere else.
139	Unsure of what is in place so not qualified to comment
140	Development of local resilience, i.e. food production, etc. We need a full time emerg coordinator like the lower Sunshine Coast.
141	Education in the event of a major forest fire
142	Specific information re: what happens when....e.g. earthquake. Siren/meeting places not generic but specific. Tsunami sirens not recognised in Tofino
143	Further develop local economy for food energy and goods.
144	Battle the drug culture, and the crime element
145	More information on what to do in emerg situations. More volunteer training programs make it visible and often
146	Public education and practice "what to do in the event of.. an earthquake". The professionals may be trained, but what about the people.
147	Build post disaster buildings for emergency services
148	foot patrols by police local call centre rather than island control for police
149	Jail sentences for criminals and make vandals pay \$\$\$ for any property they damage.
150	Safety plan in case ferries (aka food supply) is cut off in an emergency such as an earthquake.
151	Increase funding to Youth Resource Centre, sports and culture activities and rec complex to keep youth active and busy. Youth nights at school gyms
152	Have the police office open to the public like it was many years ago
153	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.
154	more public phones for those of us who do not have cell phones.
155	more police patrols at night when drunks and vandals are active.
156	more of everyone keeping their eyes open
157	Keep lower mainland dope dealers from recruiting in our community (somehow!) Revise the Young Offenders Act!
158	more help inside our community for drug and alcohol related problems
159	gathering places made public, education to wider audiences.
160	Meaningful consequences for criminal activity Victim-impact & restorative-justice practices Monitor "known to police" residents more vigilantly
161	Stricter laws and sentencing. It seems you can kill, steel, drug traffic & abuse children and just get a slapped wrist. If nothing else banish them.
162	33. Powell River has two points of access ferry or air we should be 100% drug free. 34. Japan, New Zealand, Haiti pull your planning head out of sand
163	We don't truly know what will happen so focus should be on family units, home, local neighbourhoods, caring for one another.
164	Addiction treatment and safe supported social housing. People need help not punishment
165	The major emergency front is a constant work in progress and agencies are bonding.... Kudos.
166	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.
167	have police work on drugs and dealing and vandalism
168	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
169	Education, education, education
170	Many communities publish an emergency booklet. What radio station will broadcast emergency info, where are the emergency centers?






	I don't know.
171	No information readily available. Can emergency services -police fire hospital, ambulance schools, council switch to a common emergency radio channel?
172	Is there a cohesive emergency plan?Have never seen one published. Have emergency services installed a common radio frequency in their radios?
173	More planning and preparedness regarding earthquakes
174	Try to get more people trained to handle the emergency situations.
175	MORE JOBS AND EDUCATION
176	More police presence....close down liquor stores earlier....more police on the streets to control noisy drunks
177	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
178	Have a community plan and make it available to the residents.
179	Congregation or refuge areas pre-planned and posted for major emergencies.
180	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
181	Little anti-social behaviour in town Each neighbourhood needs a specific emergency plan and leaders for likely scenarios, not generic plan
182	Get rid of all the tacky graffiti everywhere! Provide better things for youth to do. RCMP should patrol more at night.
183	PR is a safe place to live. The biggest danger is getting hit by a car. The dump in wildwood will be a world class disaster in the event of an earthqu
184	identify risks like large quantities of of chemicals and explosive media (oil & gas)
185	Make the judges hand down stiffer penalties to criminals. Go after the organized crime members; those with patches and those without.
186	encourage small neighbourhood gatherings
187	agressive policing at the helmet law, skateboarding levels photo radar back full time traffic officer give peace officer status to bylaw enforcement
188	Fire the RCMP and have elected law officials answering to us
189	Do we have a plan if there is an earthquake in townsite, cranberry, etc, and has it been mailed to all residents.
190	-get crazy ppl off the streets, cops actually doing their jobs busting the ppl that should be busted not the ones that shouldnt
191	I feel safe living here for 50+ years.
192	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
193	People should prepare themselves, education.
194	big business should be more accountable for clean up & restoration of our community. (Mill spills This town is not prepared for any catastrophe (FOOD?
195	immediate access to addiction and detox services weekly community court and restorative justice process for youth and mental health issues
196	Residents must be educated and notified of the ways to deal with major emergencies. Residents must be provided or required to have Emergency Kits.
197	The plans are on paper, but as a community member, I have never heard anything about an emergency plan. This area is a joke
198	RCMP should actively pursue known places/people who use/sell to minors/adults; Anti-racism at school, work; Hire minorities, youth, poor. Emerg drills
199	have an evacuation plan
200	make more people aware of how to survive a disaster
201	A well-thought out well-publicized community emergency plan for each area of town needs to be developed and communicated to the public
202	not an issue for me, unable to give informed opinion
203	Public education sessions, check-lists to each household, & information in brief form so that people will read and participate in safety & security.
204	An access/escape route from this land locked city is needed. Again an overland hiway.
205	maybe have 'drills' that the entire community can be involved with { earthquake, tsunami, major forest fire}
206	Drugs and supervision should be given to addicts.
207	Most people are ill-prepared for the 3-4 WEEKS it will take for PR to get help. Services are geared toward large centres, not outlying areas
208	not sure - I feel safe and secure -
209	more local growers and producers, for food security
210	Making investments such as replacements in earthquake proof fire halls. And have diversion programs for youth
211	We need a better Crown Prosecutor
212	education, eliminate poverty, job security

213	None that I know of.
214	Mixed unit housing; support the ongoing operation of the Youth Resource Centre (YRC).
215	an all service emerg. group and lots of practice for both groups and residents of PR
216	encourage local farming, and local shopping decrease dependency on walmart, safeway, etc
217	better information on the emergency preparedness plan
218	where to begin...
219	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
220	Educate people in case of emergencies.
221	have a court system that works
222	I'm not sure what is in place now. We need some specific information meetings in community spaces
223	Addiction center for women
224	Equip Gathering points (fire halls, community centres) with emergency gear Train volunteers in First Aid and emergency response
225	legalize drugs to get them out of the hands of criminals. provincial police force instead of RCMP
226	Don't know
227	need independent reviews of RCMP policies/mandates, behaviours/conduct/complaints. People no longer trust those who are meant to protect us.
228	Prepare by having mock runs.
229	Education. Desperate people do desperate things. Meet the needs. Educate - show the alternatives not condemn the problem.
230	become self sufficient for up to a month in case of major incident (power, food, fuel, utilize gov services/employees more efficiently for emergencies
231	Improve civil preparedness and education. Develop community organizations and places for youth to work and play. Make us all responsible for ASB.
232	Community involvement in security, ie Block Watch
233	Education,
234	Education: emphasis on how climate change will affect how we live and work. This is the real deal breaker, and is coming quicker than anticipated
235	Education.
236	Public information pamphlets. Encourage local markets to provide local food. Easy access to local food product venues
237	Good police patrols.
238	We have talked about the drugs - nothing happened
239	awareness workshops
240	Education on earthquak preparedness. Address the concerns of people living near dangerous homes where criminal activity takes place ie drug dealers
241	clean up the drug dealers
242	Still too many drug dealers in Sliammon, not enough enforcement! Services should be more available - discreetly, for those seeking rehab.
243	More drug awareness training at a younger age and a major provincial and federal initiative towards decriminalization of drugs & services for rehab
244	More OH+S programs at work + school. More physical drills related to same.
245	Designate a "safety area" for north + south of town/regional districts
246	Stage mock events, engage public.
247	Remove propane tanks from harbour. Develop food security by encouraging agriculture and farming. Protect fish habitat in wetlands, streams and lakes.
248	Too many drug dealers. Hit them hard and get read of them.
249	More on drug prevention, busts, etc. Drugs are big problem in PR. PR does good planning. SFN could do way better.
250	I believe some of the anti-social behaviour could be remedied by better mental health interventions and supports. ie for FAS
251	Keep working at educating the public
252	more awareness, preparation
253	Ban the drug dealers and the motor bikes that speed
254	Leadership know who is dealing and when - but refuse to act accordingly for fear of losing votes
255	Community resource centre, youth centre etc. are good starts. Address Maslow's heirarchy of needs: shelter, access to good quality food (farm program)
256	There are a lot of drug dealers in this town.
257	Don't know
258	We are, individually, used to being self-reliant. Need to look towards more community-based support.

259	There should be more teaching on what to do and where to go in case of an emergency.
260	Get drug addicts into rehab centres.
261	Treat drug problems as non-criminal in order to reduce harm Do more public education and drills on how to handle a major disaster (like in Japan).
262	Keep the bears and cougars out of the community.
263	Regular drills for earth quakes. Help low income people with costs for earth quake supplies. Work on alcohol
264	increased education of the people and more trained emergency personel
265	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.
266	It is being done. NOT a priority needing further attention. It's amazing here.

36.

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

	Responses	Percent
EXCELLENT: 	153	25.76%
GOOD: 	342	57.58%
FAIR: 	81	13.64%
BELOW AVERAGE: 	13	2.19%
POOR: 	5	0.84%
Total Responded to this question:	594	86.72%
Total who skipped this question:	91	13.28%
Total:	685	100%

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

	Responses	Percent
Responses:	464	100%
Total Responded to this question:	464	67.74%
Total who skipped this question:	221	32.26%
Total:	685	100%

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

Response	Response Text
1	Geography
2	Ocean, clean fresh air, many outdoor activities...
3	My husband and I both have jobs that pay fairly well. We can afford local food, go to arts events, drive two cars. Lose a job, we're hooped.
4	natural amenities Music Academy VIU
5	Variety of cultural experiences outdoor activities (camping/fishing/hiking/kyaking) Acceptance/tolerance of community members
6	the people
7	As a benefit? It would be the location and the scenery, the geography.
8	The climate and surroundings.
9	the people.
10	Natural Beauty Safety affordable home ownership great recreational everything great services and infrastructure isolation = creativity great peop
11	Low crime. easily accessible natural beauty. Reasonable rental prices. Lots of free and low cost activities. Friendly people. No 'class' stratificatio
12	The mill.
13	Strong network of social support agencies and a well managed school system along with a strong arts and culture environment.
14	Friendly community people, lots to do, clean air, being by the ocean, lots of nature, affordable arts and entertainment, no commuting for me!
15	family and friends
16	natural beauty; good people
17	friendly people, beautiful places to visit
18	friendliness of all the people
19	The sense of community
20	outdoor recreation, small town feeling
21	Climate, variety of activities, affordable housing, a variety of interesting people, great medical services for the size of the community, etc.
22	Recreational facilities; arts and culture; beautiful scenery; climate; access to both salt and fresh water activities...sailing, boating, etc.
23	People care, they wave, they volunteer, and most are respectful. Businesses work hard, charity and giving are foremost for the majority of people.
24	Friendly residents.
25	hiking trails. low car emissions low traffic
26	friendships , geographical position, arts & culture
27	Safety, low crime, etc.
28	The Creator. Great climate, beautiful surroundings, natural resources.
29	Our beautiful environment and physical surroundings And the general friendliness of the people
30	Small town feel yet most major goods and/or services are available.
31	Generally PR residents are carinf
32	Climate, friendly citizens. Academy of Music. Complex.
33	the ORIGINAL philosophy of the ORIGINAL mill owners the multi-cultural backgrounds the fine arts that WERE in schools and community
34	Our arts and culture organizations. The City's cooperation and support of Catalyst paper Canada's economic action plan PR food security program
35	the people, isolated location, weather
36	People and sense of community
37	availabilty of affordable housing, clean enviroment, good medical and education services, arts and culture availabilty
38	The beauty and natural surroundings that are sacred and precious, that we need to hold in our hearts as stewards of the earth.
39	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.

40 Natural beauty and recreation. Recreation complex. Development of internet to access services and education.

41 our beautiful scenery

42 community spirit (compassion, generosity, caring, self-initiating, strong advocacy, creativity etc) people - friends - natural beauty - peace -

43 The town is still very friendly. Always has been. +the ocean, lakes, sports etc.

44 Safety, friendliness, neighbourliness, good healthcare

45 Location, view, people, etc.

46 good housing and good neighbours in a proud neighbourhood

47 Isolation and away from the big city

48 environment and location

49 Arts and culture/service organizations

50 Mother Nature.

51 The overall good access to services and very safe environment combined with clean air and beautiful surroundings

52 Isolation from big city, excellent medical care, relatively inexpensive housing, strong emphasis on local food production

53 Fresh air in most areas of town Good water Local food

54 Myself going and getting an education

55 the slow pace, politeness, courtesy

56 Council doesn't understand it is its job to create wealth for residents - improve quality of life through new industry. Stop talking and ACT!!!!

57 -the beautiful nature all around us -the sense of community spirit the amazing arts, theatre and music scene

58 The new marina in westview

59 Clean air and water-the beauty of our environment, good people

60 its size - not too big, not too small

61 size of the community is good. Good cross-section of people. PR seems to be accepting of differences/diversity compared to other places

62 Location and cost of living

63 The friendliness and positive attitude of the people The many music events offered by the Academy The location: ocean, lakes, mountains, forests

64 Natural environment, affordable housing, easy access to sports, recreation opportunities for children, good schools, safety, health services, arts

65 A feeling of community. the level of volunteerism

66 The environment. Interesting people.

67 first class golf course, friendly people, arts and culture opportunities, festivals

68 the scenery, easy access to lakes etc

69 The few active residents

70 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.

71 Scenery, Music and culture, Education system , Farmers Markets

72 MOSTLY ORDINARY PEOPLE

73 The people, the environment

74 fresh air and places to play (hike, swim, fish)

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

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

77 weather, views, gd job

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

79 The natural beauty of the area.

80 the fact that we are so isolated we do not have the crime levels of more accessible cities

81 Education and employment resulting in relatively low crime rates which result in a feeling of security

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

83 the natural beauty and friendly residents

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

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

86	lakes oceans feeling safe in a small community everybody knows everybody friends and family
87	Rural setting, beautiful outdoor opportunities, friendly people, no rush hour.
88	Rural living
89	Nature and surrounding opportunities to be in and enjoy nature.
90	A major employer that pays well, the service organizations, schools, and churches.
91	Academy of Music
92	Lovely area, nice people
93	Outdoor activities, beauty of the area...slow pace.
94	Outdoors and nature. Small town that is not overly busy or stressful.
95	beautiful surroundings and the local community...
96	The scenery, the slower pace of life, affordable real estate, safety, family.
97	clean air, beautiful location, friendly community, good job opportunities for myself and partner, access to the arts , great arts and culture here,
98	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.
99	Our natural environment.
100	slow pace, welcoming community, lower cost of living, natural environment and climate, ability to grow and raise food
101	Slow and easy pace, less traffic, clean air, affordable real estate, lots of opportunity for small business if locals are encouraged to support them.
102	good people, beautiful place
103	The sense of desperation people feel about the City being in cahoots with the mill and not listening to citizens. Demoralizing. Extremely.
104	Great people, many of whom have come recently to live in Powell River and a great location for music, kayaking and hiking
105	Natural beauty Volunteerism Our remote location Smiling faces everywhere Not much traffic Lots of art and culture
106	Gradual reduction of paper products at Catalyst; particularly when pulp mill closed.
107	being self employed as working for the average industry here is unpredictable and do not pay well
108	the natural beauty, golf course, good hospital
109	Our surroundings.
110	The many cultural events and the great access to the wilderness.
111	clean air and clean water good schools
112	natural beauty
113	the people as individuals churches schools
114	Very little. Not near as good as it was 30 years ago. Home taxes to high. harbor fees too high for retirees.
115	forest & natural environment (what's left of each) library, isolation for safety/security, rain, forests, SW exposure, ocean, did I mention forests?
116	Music
117	Our setting and surrounding areas are spectacular. We have a rich cultural community. We have sports in abundance. Govt. is accessible.
118	I love living here even with some of the faults mentioned. The friendly people and beautiful surroundings make up for a lot.
119	Natural environment, parks
120	The access to the mountains and lakes. Trails for hiking and biking and the information to learn about all off it.
121	fresh air-hiking, biking, walking trails arts and music excellent treatment of our special needs adults and we are working on discrimination issues
122	Pretty much everything that is Powell River - I can think of little I would want to change except for the incessant negativity of the vocal minority
123	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.
124	Beautiful environment and great community spirit. Lots of people volunteer for music, recreation and sports.
125	the mill cutting down emmissions
126	environment opportunities ocean and mountains social attitudes
127	Friends and family
128	The woods.
129	Small population, Kathaumixw, access to trails
130	natural setting, friendly people, many actively involved in making PR a more vibrant place
131	small town atmosphere
132	Seaside location & natural amenities. Academy of Music. Hospital. Rec centre. Arts community. Historic townsite. Walking trails.

	Restaurants. Max Thea
133	We live in paradise. Air quality is great, climate is good, access to the great outdoors, great facilities for children, lots of great doctors.
134	Texada has many committed people willing to help others.
135	low housing cost = more leisure time incredible diversity of community initiatives
136	the people and natural surroundings which are shared well, accessible and there aren't too many rules
137	friendly people, tight knit community
138	natural environment/ friendly people/arts and cultural activities
139	the people and of course our fantastic location among nature
140	climate
141	Good air quality, good water quality, less crime than major centres, good climate and relative remoteness promotes great quality of life.
142	The west coast is a natural paradise. Canada is a just and free country. BC has a relatively small population.
143	the outdoors
144	Climate, locally grown food.
145	Easy access to nature, friendly, inclusive community
146	Weather, forests, lakes, ocean, trails, complex, Academy, schools
147	The people.
148	Fresh clean air, low pace life style. low crime rate
149	The people
150	NATURAL ENVIREMENT
151	relatively low cost of living (aside from taxes); excellent access to outdoor recreation
152	Easy going nature of people.
153	Sense of a small community, fair priced real estate, and a good community for those with young children
154	the willingness to learn new and innovative ideas, we are lightyears ahead of others in some areas. even this survey!
155	Increasingly diverse community as well as a sense of being an important part of the community.
156	BEAUTY all around Music programs from cradle to grave
157	Location, weather, natural beauty
158	-health of natural surroundings -relative affordability -feeling of potential
159	big business telling us whats good for us,and getting away with it
160	climate good neighbours country living slow development
161	Friends, friendliness of community, music, safety, lakes and mountains
162	The lack of access and development has kept town relatively unspoiled. That's vulnerable to greed and self-interest. Community spirit is paramount.
163	The environment that surrounds us creates that quality provided we treat it respectfully.
164	Slower paced life-style. Sense of community.
165	volunteers ! there are dozens and dozens of organizations in sports, arts, culture,churches,etc who depend totally on volunteers
166	definitely the seaside setting
167	Being a retired senior, the wages made during the good times in Powell River in the past.
168	being a small town, mostly good citizens and a beautiful environment, great and well maintained parks
169	A good job with good pay.
170	businesses offering everything we need. Residents that work out of town bringing in money.
171	beautiful place to live, look how many people are coming here from all over
172	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
173	-people willing to work togethee - those who embrace ideas of others as well as thier own
174	Splendor of nature. A good circlce of friends and a church family.
175	Natural beauty
176	Concerned people, with my well being in mind.
177	There is something for everyone
178	Local groups like Transition Town, Food Security, and Water Watch. The hiking trails.
179	No crowds; no traffic; easy access to beautiful beaches and lakes
180	Lack of major 'Idiot Fringe' and major crime influx
181	The friendliness of the people, the welcoming attitude of the neighbours, the easy of life and the amazing environment

182	compassion, cooperation
183	Freindship
184	PR is a welcoming community
185	natural surroundings
186	Low level of population, low traffic
187	Safe environment, good weatrher
188	clean air
189	Happy content and peaceful countenance of locals - community pride and peacefulness is AWESOME.
190	affordability of housing, natural lifestyle and low crime
191	Out doors, ocean sports, trails almost make up for high rent and no jobs. Such a beautiful place with no vision for the future. Quit selling out!!
192	People are friendly, the town is clean, there is an abundance of things to do.
193	Our surroundings. Mountains, Oceans, Lakes, etc. So many trails to hike, bike, quad, etc.
194	A good full time job, a house, good health. A friendly supportive community.
195	The reduction of air pollution from Powell River paper mill.
196	mother nature
197	Beautiful nature, access to health care, low crime rate, grocery stores, buses, decent schools, clean water to drink and swim in... we are blessed
198	The naTURAL ENVIRONMENT
199	envornment and safety
200	The scenic surroundings, pace of life.
201	The existing outdoors environment, weather.
202	The people and the climate
203	Powell River is isolated, making it safer and a service hub
204	The ability to be out doors for free.
205	Weather, environment, isolation
206	CLimate and clean air
207	Location and career
208	location, weather
209	The people who built this town, and those who cared enough to work for the GOOD of the community. The businesses who were able to survive City Hall!!!
210	space, lack of congestion, clean air and water.
211	Environment, clean air, space and people.
212	arts, culture and friendliness of the people. beauty of the location
213	great drinking water, low priced real estate, great trailways and hiking
214	The welcome and sense of belonging. The geography.
215	Nature so close at hand, and free!
216	The good folks you meet here
217	Recreation
218	Natural environment Friendly people
219	Safety, and the small town atmosphere and general friendliness
220	Variety of activities (sporting, leisure, cultural).
221	nature
222	A non-homogeneous group of wonderful folks, an eclectic group of traditionalists and radicaal thinkers. And the sunsets.
223	the outdoors; nature; access to hiking/biking/water, etc; beautiful surroundings; nice community
224	cost of housing size of community
225	Lack of large city status
226	Poor wages, no jobs,bad service,expensive transportation system.
227	the beautiful natural suuroundings that we have here !!!
228	Relatively small city.
229	Individuals who volunteer their time to make things happen. Curling club, Kathaumiwx, Earth Day, Sea Fair, Blackberry Fest, Big Bike race,
230	the people who live here make Powell River such a special place to live.

231 close access to wilderness and wonderfully maintained trails for me

232 Natural surroundings.

233 The natural surroundings. Friendly people. Sense of community and family.

234 A great sense of community, a home, a sense of belonging.

235 All the little people, from small business owners to the seniors who still volunteer.

236 environment, safety, general well-being, accessibility

237 Community spirit already here, i.e. volunteerism. Our spectacular environment. Arts and music.

238 Communal respect and a value of resources

239 the people and the environment

240 Community spirit. People being supportive of so many different activities/events

241 The natural beauty of the place. the people's disposition in living in such a great place.

242 The people and their willingness to act to improve the quality of life for each other.

243 Arts and Culture, affordable outdoor recreation, low housing costs, sense of community, geographic isolation providing safety for kids, hospital.

244 feeling of community - friendliness, security, safety

245 For me - good job, close to the out doors, weather is reasonable.

246 stable employment, opportunities to participate in a variety of musical activities, affordable housing, THE VIEW

247 The people

248 A healthy community, mixed groups of people, caring volunteers, all programs, the great outdoors. The history + the value people place on protecting it

249 Community services, amazingly strong desire in many people to make things happen no matter how much effort it takes.

250 Having family here. It's beauty and accessibility to the oceans and lakes. It's isolated and yet you can leave "if you can afford the ferries".

251 Small community, isolated from larger city. Great safe place to raise your children. lots of local free beaches parking swimming.

252 Our relative isolation, the beauty of our surroundings & temperate climate; our economic history & proximity to an historic First Nations community.

253 Fresh air good water and access to natural beauty.

254 Access to the back roads & trails

255 nature

256 One's own attitude!

257 Abundant, clean lakes, forests and numerous recreational opportunities. LOW TRAFFIC!!!

258 healthy environment, laid back lifestyle, access to inexpensive and first rate recreation and culture, friendly people

259 How safe and beautiful it is as well as the opportunities to join many different groups. (choirs, dance groups, rotary etc.)

260 Natural beauty of the area (lakes, ocean, forests) Quiet well serviced community

261 the availability to get away into the outdoors easily

262 affordable housing, sea walk, sunshine coast trail, events at Willingdon Beach events, golf course, putting course tennis etc.

263 The view of the ocean from most of the homes

264 Small town, friendly people, closeness of neighbours (knowing them), availability of teachers and local doctors.

265 keeping land-grabbing developers at bay. Farmers feed the land. Protect and promote agriculture, clean water and clean air.

266 the ocean, the people, wildlife, climate

267 natural beauty, affordable housing and access to cultural events

268 sense of community

269 more things for reasonable rates for entertainment

270 location and friendly people

271 Great setting and open-hearted people.

272 no through traffic more green space than in cities

273 Great hiking trails. Good hospital facilities. Good recreational facilities. Cultural events. Friendly people

274 the people

275 Friendliness of people and all the volunteers that are involved in so many worth while venues.

276 Mild winters.

277 the forests and space that, despite heavy logging, still abound. the rich arts community.

278 Seaside location Boating opportunities Hiking trails Friendliness of the residents Affordable home Convenience of services No relatives here

279 It's lazy and hence easy but too laid back. Not everyone is retired nor do we want to be.

280 proximity to nature

281 Caring people, good educational opportunity, the arts and culture scene, and our back country access to all the nature Powell River has to offer.

282 the remoteness, the beauty, the general quality of people (we have 1 of everyone here)

283 Safe environment, outdoor and cultural activities, clean and abundant water, clean air.

284 Good climate Easy-going atmosphere Trails & other outdoor recreation opportunities

285 Availability of greenspace, community organizations, friendliness of people, isolation.

286 the good clean air and environment we get to live in

287 Beautiful scenery, peaceful way of life

288 the recreation opportunities

289 Good place to raise kids, people are friendly and kind.

290 Community events and engagement. People are friendly and social. We get out and meet our neighbours

291 People who care about it make it great.

292 The beautiful surroundings and access to recreational opportunities. Lack of traffic and noise. Quiet, friendly community.

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

294 Access to top rate medical facilities.

295 Great caring friendly people. Lots of outdoor activities. Recreation complex.

296 environment access to recreational activities

297 nature, job

298 community.

299 The ocean

300 Easy access to the wilderness

301 Relatively low crime rate. Good climate.

302 The people. Watching out for each other.

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

304 The back country

305 The lack of hustle and bustle and traffic Love the daily view of the ocean. Friendly people and great neighbors.

306 affordable housing

307 The slower pace here - everyone isn't rushing around.

308 GOOD PEOPLE

309 outdoor activities low cost of living (no parking fees, low travel time/cost to work) availability of activities for families and children

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

311 small town, arts and culture opportunities, volunteerism opportunities

312 location

313 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.

314 Outdoors, community spirit

315 The forests and the ocean and the friendly people.

316 Slower pace. Beautiful area. Nature. Safety.

317 trees, water, space, relative absence of pollution

318 People

319 Nature. Community. Arts & Culture.

320 Close access to lakes, trails, mountains and ocean of course!

321 fresh air, pure water, isolation

322 my attitude

323 Quiet surroundings, beautiful scenery, friendly people and excellent lifestyle. It is paradise.

324 getting to know people and participating in volunteer activities

325 the people

326 outdoor recreation

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

328 high taxes

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

330 the many parks and green spaces

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

332 - the beauty, preservice of forest - nature and wildlife

333 All the lovely walking trails!

334 Hiking on forest trails, breathing in ocean air, fvisiting with riends and cafes, gardening, learning, young people with new ideas, Open Air Market

335 access to lakes, trails and ocean climate

336 The Location.

337 Beautiful surroundings, nature.

338 Its the most beutiful place in the world.

339 Isolation and income levels - Quality of life will diminish in future as young families leave and don't come back.

340 - High value outdoor recreation - All all the amenities for comfortable living is available - Low traffic and everything is 5min away.

341 Ocean, forests and mountains. Opportunities for physical activity are endless

342 communtiy groups and volunteers

343 the people are friendly the housing although all over the map is affordable

344 the community members, environment and wildlife and food resources

345 Clean air, friendly people, churches, community organizations and natural beauty.

346 Peaceful, not crowded, knowing your neighbour, accessibility to hospital, schools, supermarkets, banks, recreation, parks, and the church.

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

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

349 lower cost of living than the cities

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

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

352 safe and beautiful

353 Affordable housing. Strong sense of community.

354 Availability of outdoor activities , location, sense of community

355 the people

356 small town atmosphere and closeness to wilderness recreation

357 Location, climate

358 The caring people.

359 Sunshine Coast Trail. Access to lakes and hiking trails. The new north harbour. West Jet coming into Comox. The choral groups. Recreation centre.

360 still has "island mentality

361 Nice beaches, no rush hour

362 less pollution, fewer vehicles on the roads the pace is so much slower than the city - less stress

363 Geographic location and small population.

364 Remoteness

365 Access to outdoor recreational opportunities

366 Natural environment that surrounds Powell River.

367 - local food and business endeavours - creative new energy from new residents coupled with history of long time residents -pride such as the PR King

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

369 The peoples willingness to help other in need, in general people have better access to some programs

370 The area in which we live, good climate, lots of sports and culture.

371 Great air quality....great jobs....wonderful neighbours/friends....unbeatable view!!

372 affordability

373 Friendly people

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

375 wonderful weather what good infrastructure we already have

376	The friendly people and access to nature.
377	Access to outdoor activities and areas. Pace of life. Very little time spent commuting to work/school etc adds to time with family/recreation.
378	The people who live here are generous with their time, knowledge, and general support for one another.
379	The people who live here who contribute their time and expertise to all facets of community life.
380	safe area to raise children
381	Lots of places to walk around, less noise, but no job no money less quality of good food
382	Arts and Music natural environment, out-door activities, climate supportive and welcoming community affordability of housing
383	location
384	agriculture, the beauty, hard working people.
385	the view and the weather
386	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....
387	The efforts of the people of PR themselves, and the efforts of the previous owners of the mill..ie PR company and MB
388	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.
389	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.
390	Clean air, affordable housing, ocean, lakes, hiking, etc.
391	nature
392	the trees & ocean
393	inclusion, acceptance, diversity of perspectives, natural beauty, many inspired groups
394	Fresh air and lots of open spaces and walking paths
395	Better links to Vancouver and The Island... there simply is no way around this!!
396	People
397	Our environment- abundance of outdoor opportunities and clean air, soil, and water
398	good access to outdoors easy to get around
399	community and grass roots efforts to affect change
400	We are living on a island, with limited access(forget the Squamish road idea!!) Good blend of rural life and city amenities. Friends of a feather...
401	The outdoors and nature
402	Seaside/mountain setting, housing affordability.
403	Our mild climate and the friendly people of Powell River.
404	The geography, the facilities and opportunities for activities, but most importantly, the friendly, open, and welcoming people of Powell River.
405	The people. Per capita there are amazing resources. Draw back is probably work opportunities and the need to loose young people for it.
406	natural surroundings/green space/ocean access/decent people(a few exceptions)
407	Oyr beautiful setting and the wonderful people who live here.
408	Fresh air, laid-back lifestyle, local produce.
409	The Mill
410	Low crime rate due to our geographic location, the need for access by ferry has kept a lot of rif-raff out of the area
411	Shutting down the Kraft Mill. Building the Sea Walk.
412	Natural beauty
413	The wonderful spirit of the community. We have been made very welcome here.
414	Nature
415	Communications, have been improving relationships across the town.
416	- the natural environment
417	lifestyles
418	Accessibility to natural areas, wildlife, hunting, fishing, etc.
419	abundance of nature, far from a city, tolerant, glorious weather
420	Excellent hospital facilities, no stress for trafic, lineups for amenities
421	Access to natural resource activities such as Lakes, Oceans, Forest
422	Sliammon - Powell River protocol: relationship building
423	People are mostly friendly in PR
424	It's natural beauty and the environmental changes across Canada that limit pesticides and other toxins & mill emissions

425 Public events like Seafair + Blackberry Festival help keep us "community-minded" + happier

426 Scenery of our coast line. Access to

427 The natural beauty we are surrounded by.

428 The resilience of the people.

429 Nature, walking trails, access to beaches, forests, lakes and streams with clean water and wild animals. Affordable housing, VIU, Academy of Music.

430 Family

431 The environment. The people - always welcoming.

432 Powell River is a small friendly community powered by committed volunteers in all areas of activities.

433 People in various areas have profited in Powell River while poor people are still experiencing limitations

434 Getting more & better quality of services at the hospital (answered incorrectly?)

435 sports

436 sports

437 small community, friendly people, lots of volunteerism, beautiful natural setting (hope it stays that way--but think its taken for granted)

438 location, nature and people that live here and the desire to make this a better place esp. w/ green initiatives

439 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.

440 Isolation

441 Isolation. The mill (Jobs!!)

442 being retired and not having to look for work

443 Beautiful location

444 Small town feeling.

445 Affordable houses, good sense of community, beautiful natural setting with enough geographical isolation to keep the town unique.

446 Fun

447 The people and location and affordable housing

448 Low crime (violent), low cost of living, tolerance of/to most everyone.

449 Growing up here.

450 Friendly people. Can-do attitude. Volunteer networking (groups that band together to extend their resources).

451 The beauty. Clean air. People are friendly and helpful.

452 safe community, close knitted community, available decent paying work, lots of hiking, complex,

453 Access to great outdoors, good medical services, fine churches, emphasis on the Arts and influence of the Academy of Music.

454 Beautiful coastal community with some every dedicated people trying to deal with life's issues in creative ways.

455 The outdoors and friends.

456 The natural environment surrounding Powell River.

457 Safe place for families. Slower pace of life. Community spirit.

458 the scenic surroundings. outdoor activities. arts and culture. small town, not much traffic. friendly people

459 low population, good drinking water, the great outdoors, moderate climate, organic farms

460 Good neighbours

461 the weather and location

462 For me it is access to the outdoors, hiking, music, affordable housing, good physicians and health care, size of city.

463 The people - friendly, easy going, unpretentious, positive, peaceful, caring, accepting - GREAT.

464 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:	287	100%
Total Responded to this question:	287	41.9%
Total who skipped this question:	398	58.1%
Total:	685	100%

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Response	Response Text
1	An updated public library collection
2	Getting a full time job that pays fairly well.
3	film festival/Texada Sandcastle weekend/Camping options
4	got rid of the wobblies running the city hall
5	upgrading/refacing the Westview ferry harbour area. Much much more is needed in order to drive the tourism industry and make PR sustainable.
6	Nothing I can think of.
7	Greater public involvement in local food and media endeavours.
8	Cat Scan service added to our local hospital
9	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.
10	New water system and waterfront upgrade.
11	Nothing has occurred in the last two years, the major influences occurred some years earlier such as the various arts and cultural activities.
12	changes to bylaws/legislation that allow local producers to grow, butcher and sell meat to the community.
13	elected officials with a forward, think outside of the box position
14	nothing in particular
15	Volunteers are great and seem to increase all the time.
16	Emissions control at the Mill, maintaining a great hospital and health care.
17	Revitalization of the Crossroads Mall, new box stores, and noticeably improved customer service lately.
18	lower plastic bags in stores - taking our own bags
19	keeping the old arena site agreement to build a new intermedite care facility cat scan
20	The inclusion of more teenage youth getting involved in local issues and the inclusion of foreign students coming on exchange arrangements
21	No one thing sticks out, I am not sure the quality of life has improved. More community events happen now than before, that is a good thing.
22	Can,t think of anything
23	schools are beginning to encourage students to more participation in the community, the environment, the ecology
24	The food security project. Canada's economic action plan and it's contribution to the local utility and harbour improvements.
25	increased bus service in town
26	clean enviroment
27	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.
28	met a great man. bought a house.
29	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.
30	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.
31	NOTHING!
32	The beginnings of taking bikes into serious consideration as part of the transportation system. Keep it going!
33	CT Scanner; better transit
34	the arrival of the smaller transit buses
35	I feel actually it is getting worse as ferry fares climb and good jobs are getting scarcer. School enrollment down dramatically.
36	Quality Foods - showed what support really is - gave as well as took
37	The improvement of city roads and hopefully soon to be completed ferry dock/harbour

38 Accessibility to good healthy local food

39 Not really, the track was a joke we have less than 100 people in track but we have a 2.6 million dollar facility ??

40 NOTHING and that is the very message Allgard needs to take to heart - he has done absolutely nothing!

41 -Food Security projects and education -alternative movements in the arts (i.e. CJMP), eco-awareness, sustainability conversations

42 Yes, The new ferry south of town

43 CRC (I work there), the start-up of the youth centre

44 recycling

45 Increased bus service.

46 In the future the work on the waterfront will pay huge dividends

47 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.

48 THE MOVEMENT TOWARDS SELF-SUFFICIENCY AND LOCAL FOOD.

49 It seems like more people are growing their own vegetables in personal gardens so they do not have to buy them at grocery stores.

50 more bus service

51 Better shopping choices; locavore movement. new harbour will be awesome.

52 Skills Link youth programs. Community Resource Centre. Youth Resource Centre. Local food movements. Removal of decaying buildings in Westview.

53 improving the harbourfront

54 Beginning waterfront improvement. Making decision about where to build library. Starting improvements on roads north of town.

55 Personally, getting a job that pays well and matches my skill set. For the community: substantial amounts of gov't funding for projects

56 Commoners! Young families choosing PR! Great food security actions

57 David Parkinson and Kevin Wilson, ratepayers and chamber of commoners, the Farmers Market.

58 Newer books in the library and better use of space. Later bus schedule. More arts businesses opening.

59 Waterfront development. New retail businesses.

60 Academy of Music

61 I don't use the public bus very often, but I think that the increased runs and use are helpful to a lot of people. Turf field at Brooks is great.

62 the city is actually starting to change as younger people move here...a shift in the general mentality and possibly a new direction for the town.

63 I am new but I like Powell river Living and the local paper,

64 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.

65 powell river food security project

66 Better bus service!!!

67 The local food movement and much of the work that was spearheaded by David Parkinson.

68 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.

69 The ESL Settlement Assistance Program for newcomers Youth centre

70 Increase in price of gas and food so that people realize we must have locally produced food and green transport.

71 understanding that if I dont need to leave here and take BC ferries Im way better off

72 Kathaumiux 2010

73 silly question

74 Cannot think of anything.

75 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.

76 Marine Avenue beautification project Waterfront project (still in progress)

77 nope

78 Building to bring more people in and create more jobs. Building the sea wall and widening the streets, but please put bike lanes in!

79 youth community centre-need a youth hostel now sharing surplus food

80 Cat Scan and PAC system. Also harbour improvements - great start - hope efforts continue using Campbell River as our model.

81 The purchase of a CAT scan.

82 Sunshine Coast trail improvements.

83 Quality foods.

84 The energy of relative newcomers willing to put their life-force to work to transform the old PR into the new PR.

85 gardening and food security initiatives

86 1) Interesting people moving to town - artistic, intelligent, creative and motivated with new ideas and energy. 2) Access to healthy locally grown food

87 food security projects vibrancy of local library staff and their great community activities continued upkeep of Sunshine Coast Trail and other trails

88 got a full time job

89 fixing up wharf/saving old arena from development/Millennium Park/Kathumixw/SOAP/

90 improved parks, and gardens such as Joyce and Manson gardens, and cleanup of Parsons Pt on Cranberry Lake

91 Construction of Kiwanis extension and approval for Olive Devaud to be rebuilt.

92 Transition Town has grown in interest and impact. Plutonic Power P.R. brainwashing has left town.

93 Westview wharf upgrade!!

94 Food Security Programme.

95 - greater cooperation and understanding with Sliammon

96 Expansion of retail outlets such as Q-foods, and the renovations of the main mall. Improved waterfront.

97 The planting of trees and good signage.

98 The Family Place has been very instrumental in helping young families

99 Haven't been here long enough

100 -that local agriculture is being encouraged to expand gives me reason for hope that things can move in a good direction

101 joined more organizations, met many more people who had same interests

102 Better bus system

103 CJMP, I anticipate.

104 Farmers market and increase in local organic food availability. Kale Force, Transition Town Powell River.

105 the Catscan and the hundreds of ways the community raised the money- great effort by volunteers

106 nothing that I can stress highly.

107 planting more trees

108 new residents to the community.

109 The focus of food and health, slowly the Farmers Market is seeing more growers and food selection.

110 - the community stepping out of it's comfort zone and creating local versions of provincial, national and global events, initiatives, etc.

111 Counseling from Victim Support. Playing music.

112 No

113 Affordable housing makes it possible for me to establish a rich life I would otherwise not be able to afford.

114 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.

115 The visit of Naomi Klein attracted such a huge crowd that it became obvious that progressive politics could really take off in Powell River.

116 Not really...sad to say.

117 conscious efforts to maintain a safe and secured town by the RCMP

118 Wonderful volunteers Nice to see municipal public landscaping improvements

119 Opening of Quality Foods. Relocation of Magpie's Cafe to Rodmay Hotel.

120 ????????

121 I just moved here 1.5 years ago - it's all wonderful.

122 Stronger relationship with First Nations on paper, it needs to move beyond lip service

123 The increased movement towards local food production and small scale gardening. The economy improving.

124 I have found the BC Bike Race coming to PR quite exciting. Canada Day, Seafair celebrating at the beach. The Blackberry Street Party stands out too.

125 Having more local foods to access.

126 Improvements in choice among retail stores. Better stores and services in Powell River means less ferry travel needed to make important purchases.

127 SUN RADIO SOUNDS WAY BETTER THESE DAYS. THEY PASS ON A LOT OF COMMUNITY INFO.

128 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!

129 The development of a "sustainability visioning group" for Powell River

130 No

131 Number of new GPs and Youth Center

132 Buying my own home

133 Knowing this November we can evict the mindless councillors and they know who they are. Quality Foods Hope for the future

134	The old township has regenerated. Hopefully the Westview ferry dock development will be a good feature. Nothing much to report on Texada.
135	ongoing improvement of the harbour and at least talks of a new library
136	just moved to town, N/A
137	Efforts to preserve green space.
138	Can't think of anything
139	education in the schools has diversified to cover trades as much as academics leading to more skilled students in the workforce
140	Less idling cars
141	Tim Hortons
142	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.
143	bus service to nort of town late on friday nite
144	no
145	Can't because things that get started take along time to finish,because lack of money,professionals,getting supplies.
146	the municipal garden caretakers are doing a really good job of beautifying our little town ...
147	Quality Foods
148	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
149	increasing program development at the high school level: more kids getting more career opportunities
150	Waterfront project.
151	The athletic groups ; ultimate frisbee, wild womens cycling, road cycling, high school running, track and field club
152	cat scan
153	Increase in festivals and events showcasing local food, talent, goods, etc...
154	Kathauimeux has changed the lives of many PR residents- opportunities to host, to particpate, to watch, to fordge new, life long friendships
155	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
156	Opening of Max Cameron Theatre. Increase in Mother Goose offerings. Orca bus.
157	The old PR Plaza being upgraded. Cross Roads Village.
158	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!
159	Increased bus service (& buses with bicycle racks!) Malaspina University-College now VIU Tree-Frog Bistro opened CJMP radio reborn
160	Road improvement. Less logging locally would be better.
161	a better council than the previous one
162	waterfront walk
163	? increased opportunity and variety of fitness programs
164	I can't think of anything that has changed in the last 2 years from my perspective.
165	The sea wall
166	A lot more stores open
167	Accesibility of local farmers
168	fixing up the waterfront not much
169	City created an off leash park for dogs and people to socialize
170	not really --more needed
171	The new FIRE HALL on Craig Road (Northside) was at least STARTED!
172	the revival of a community radio station that has begun to be a source of creative sharing.
173	Increased number of agricultural enterprises to enhance shop local, eat local, eat organic efforts.
174	Nothing has really changed for me to say it's imprlves quality if life that's a big statement for this town. The land & scenery is what it is.
175	LordCo/Tim Hortons Not a joke Tims is open every day all day and has reasonable value /quality Lordco knows i can go elsewhere and tries to prevent
176	Preservation of Millennium Park. However, the greenspace is not secure until we know the trees will remain.
177	no
178	moved outside of town to an acreage.
179	Arts festivals, local talent and local artists
180	The future building of a new elementary school - Westview Elementary.

181	Logging the Heron nesting site, and then moving the oval to a location req vehicle to access well done PR.
182	The opening of Quality Foods, Tim Hortons, and the sea walk.
183	CAT scan.
184	advocacy centre and the availability of the volunteer law advocate. She deserves civic honors.
185	vigilantism
186	The BC Bike Race coming to town. The world has discovered that we have trails and are not simply a destination for noisy destructive ATVs.
187	Nothing comes to mind
188	Two grandchildren!
189	Numerous musical and cultural events
190	Getting the seawalk done, sprucing up the area at Willingdon Beach - all the flowers around town & the home owners trying to keep their yards neat.
191	PEOPLE WORKING HARD TO IMPROVE OUR LOT
192	Perhaps the expansion of transit...not the increase in fares though; presence fo liquor store in the neighbourhood &increased traffic reduced QoL
193	possibly the CAT scan machine and being included in the bowel cancer survey
194	new buses
195	my garden.
196	Groups promoting alternatives - Transition Town, cycle group, Edible Garden group
197	Sorry, I think that quality of life has actually decreased in the last two years - increased housing costs, huge increases in groceries and ferries.
198	Millenium Park
199	Better bus service
200	no
201	No - my own increasing disability reduces the equality of my life
202	not in the last 2 years
203	new university planned new track good recreation
204	In my location everything is gone backwards
205	Nothing
206	Street trees being planted!
207	Powell River Transition Town and all the work that's been done for sustainable living, ensuring food supply, working with new young gardeners. HOPEFUL
208	millenium park
209	Hospital Improvements ie: CT Scan
210	Share the road signs for bikers. Powell River has a great opportunity to increase the number of bike commuters. The roads are wide and safe for bike
211	Community events like the BC Bike Race and Blues Festival. Makes Powell River less cut off from the rest of the world and shows PR can put a show too.
212	steady work, although there seems to be more for men then women
213	developing food security programs and themes
214	Transit system in the city of PR.
215	Good supply of clean water.
216	New young adults and families coming to live in PR, Sustainability groups & people, TlaAmin Health, Diversity Initiative, Career Link, CRC
217	the growth of "alternative" activities becoming more mainstream - such as local food production, local radio
218	Only been in Powell River for 6 months
219	Amount of new families migrating to the community. The rejuvenation and interest in the Townsite area
220	1 new business coming to town - Tim Hortons. Need more businesses here though, choice almost all market segments is still extremely limited
221	opportunities for youth.
222	The bringing of more performances to Max Cameron Theatre.
223	North harbour reonovation.
224	community centre
225	Youth Sailing Program.
226	- quality foods has been a great addition - their community spirit is an example -excellent hiking/running trails - well maintained
227	in general, the public events from Blackberry Festival to the parades, to the choral groups, the 50 mile eat local challenge

228 When Catalyst shut down the stinky craft mill!!!!!! No more disgusting smell.....Hallelujah!

229 senior centre

230 found a full-time job after losing full-time job in Health Care privatization. Only worked casual and part-time since 2004.

231 We only moved here 15 months ago.

232 The Youth Resource Centre opening!

233 i haven't been here that long but for me it is bus consistency and longer hours or more frequent times for route #1

234 local meats now able to be sold and purchased

235 local government working on our behalf

236 more trails to walk and more small farms selling their produce.

237 more people have spoken up about what they believe in

238 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

239 i actually find it has been getting worse. more and more people leaving or struggling...

240 Powell River became a pilot community for farm sales

241 The Skylight Arts studio... for kids this is a key intro to art... the arts are a core part of PR culture and its best kept secret.

242 More children

243 Increased local food production and access to it

244 having a CT scan here lowering curbs for disabled people and strollers

245 CJMP

246 The pulp mill slowing down, less smell Population remaining somewhat steady, not too crowded

247 Sorry, can't think of anything. It is deteriorating. Looking forward to new seawall walk by ferry landing being finished.

248 More opportunities for hiking, kayaking, etc.

249 Box stores with higher standards of customer service.

250 The quality of Staples and Valley Lumber's customer service.

251 Less dependence on the paper mill, a more diversified economic base.

252 More local garden products and being able to buy meat from farmers.

253 The Max Cameron Theatre provides a cultural link with a larger world and a sense of wonder.

254 Our neighbours and the storekeepers. The level of friendship and service is amazing. Everyone goes out of their way to be helpful and kind.

255 Bus service helped a little

256 healthy choices

257 No

258 Increased bus service to Sliammon

259 Dental, optometry coming into our community, eye testing

260 fishing has improved; we can actually catch salmon

261 I see a lot of changes within communities about protecting + restoring our environment. More bus routes + access for all people + youth

262 Greater awareness of environmental issues, willingness to create funding avenues for self-employed services

263 The opening of Powell River's Community Centre was definitely something we needed to improve our life/lives.

264 Easier access to lakes, ocean, rivers

265 It is not complete yet but I think the work done on the new harbour is great.

266 The Sunshine Coast Trail

267 ?

268 Sliammon relationship with Powell River. More of our people work in town now. Bus Service for Sliammon.

269 Sliammon cultural integration

270 Tia'Amin Health providing healthy programs in Sliammon opening doors to work with FN people at every level has been nice to see

271 Unless we can get better rates for travelling out of the area, people won't come here.

272 The new track at Timberlane Park

273 not selling all our lands for a gated community with fly-in airport. much more awareness of local food & its importance

274 Darren Robinson & Tourism Powell River Bike Lane Project Transition Powell River

275 Transition Town Powell River Group

276 Friends and growing own food and the Food Security Project's courses.

277 The recruitment of the new full-time psychiatrist, getting the CT scanner, and the new hut on the Sunshine Coast Trail.

278 Access to the community
279 New ferry at SALTERY bay
280 In the past year since I moved here from Winnipeg, a derelict building was town down and a new school is going up.
281 Symphony Orchestra of the Pacific (SOAP).
282 I met this awesome guy who takes me out to the natural environment surrounding Powell River.
283 more buses.
284 more organic farms and farmers being allowed to butcher locally
285 not a thing it is worse, let's be honest about that
286 no
287 S. Alsgard






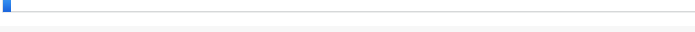
39. How old are you?

	Responses	Percent
18 or under:	3	0.5%
19 - 30:	27	4.54%
31 - 40:	77	12.94%
41 - 50:	113	18.99%
51 - 65:	277	46.55%
65 or older:	98	16.47%
Total Responded to this question:		595 86.86%
Total who skipped this question:		90 13.14%
Total:		685 100%

40. Which sex are you?

	Responses	Percent
Male:	228	38.45%
Female:	365	61.55%
Total Responded to this question:	593	86.57%
Total who skipped this question:	92	13.43%
Total:	685	100%

41. Where do you live?

	Responses	Percent
City of Powell River: 	409	68.51%
Regional District - North: 	45	7.54%
Regional District - South: 	82	13.74%
Sliammon: 	32	5.36%
Texada: 	23	3.85%
Somewhere else (temporary or seasonal resident): 	6	1.01%
Total Responded to this question:		597 87.15%
Total who skipped this question:		88 12.85%
Total:		685 100%