

ANNUAL CHAIR REPORT

November 28, 2022

Hello SPC Members and Guests,

Where did 2022 go? Holy snappers, hard to believe we are only one month from Christmas. How many people are ZOOMED out? However, I have been lately attending meetings in person. On a positive note, this has been a very productive and busy year for the SPC.

Highlights include:

- Communities That Cares (CTC) continues work under the umbrella of SPC. This was Barb Jones third year of running CTC. Speaking of Barb, she successfully implemented the high school student's survey on their physical and mental health. In fact, the survey was completed and the survey results completed this year. Great work Barb.
- SPC continues to rent an office at Community Futures.
- SPC would like to thank our funders for 2022 - the City of Williams Lake, Canadian Red Cross, and United Way, final year of the Vancouver Foundation, CRD and the Province of BC for their financial support over this past year.
- SPC continues to expand our network.
- On a sad, but happy note for Anne Burrill, she now works for Urban Matters based in Kamloops.
- Bree Odd continues to be our marketing/promotion/secretary person for the SPC. Thank you Bree for updating our website and newsletter.
- Via the City, SPC worked on an online survey of the effects of COVID 19 in our community.
- Thanks to Briana for doing a great job with the Food Hub.
- Guest speakers this year included:
 - Eva Navrot (Seniors Advocate), Stacey Miranda (City), Laurel White (Harm Reduction Coordinator), Anne Burrill (Urban Matters), Darren Dodge (RCMP), Brian Daly (TRU), Carla (Partners for Literacy).

Another positive note, I would like to thank my fellow Board Members – Christa, Laurie, Carla, Shannon and Craig for their time and dedication. In addition, thank you to all people who come to our monthly meetings via ZOOM (averaging 19 participants). I do miss the face-to-face meeting.

Season greeting and to a stress free 2023 for all.

Happy trails, Larry Stranberg, Chair