

# Annual Report 2013



Yuutu?it?ath President Charles McCarthy, Elders Richard Mundy and Vi Mundy, together with taayii Һawit Wilson Jack, did the official sod-turning for the new Hitacu Community Centre, on Yuutu?it?ath Day, September 21, 2013.



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# Message from the President

It has been a memorable year for the Yuuʼuʼitʼatʼ government--there have been hardships such as the passing of Taayii ʰawiiʰ Lawrence Jack and the more recent passing of one of our members of Legislature, Art Cootes. And there have also been joyous occasions too--the start of construction for our long-awaited community centre is the best example.

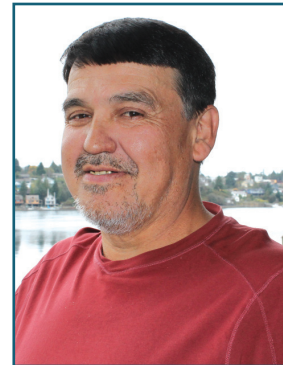
The new community centre construction has barely started but by next year we will have a new building in Hitacu that we can all be proud of. The current Legislature does not take full credit for this incredible addition to our community; we are well aware this has been a dream of community members for a long time--we just happen to be fortunate enough to be serving as your legislature at this time, and we have done what we can to make this dream a reality.

And let's be clear, this community centre is it's going to cost a lot of money, about \$6.8 million. We believe it's worth it, and we are working hard to ensure that we get good value for the money spent.

Even as concrete is being poured and construction is well underway, it's difficult to imagine the full significance of this building. A new gym, a new government building and a community hub, will be erected in the same place where we celebrated our independence just two and a half years ago. Our facility will rival other community centres and it will allow us to host our own basketball tournaments, weddings, funerals, potlatches, and more. It will be the place we gather to enjoy dinners, have dance practise and conduct government business. It will certainly be an interesting project to watch.

Another project that has been started this past year also could have a great impact on this community. Hitacu has been surveyed in preparation for raising title on property in order to register it with the provincial land title office. This will be a significant first step towards residential interest--citizens having the ability to own their own property; which in turn will allow the opportunity for financial gain and pride in home ownership.

We are already starting to reap the benefits from our Treaty. For this generation, being independent has caused some uncertainty because as a nation we have only known life in the safety net of the reservation system, being taken care of by Indian Affairs, even if that care wasn't the best. I believe that having the opportunity for home ownership is a huge step towards independence for this generation and especially for the next. We imagined a community centre that will soon become a reality so can we also imagine a community where citizens own their homes and take pride in, and are responsible for their homes? At one time that picture might have seemed impossible, but life is changing here, and with Yuuʼuʼitʼatʼ in charge of our own destiny, that dream doesn't seem out of reach anymore.



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# Executive: Challenging but rewarding

You all know me and have seen me around while attending to some of my duties as holder of the Community Services Portfolio on the Executive, it has been an interesting journey, some bumps but lots of good times and learning curves.

Culturally, I have loved seeing the dance sessions with our group and look forward to seeing more and hope we can throw in some traditional teachings from our elders. I also enjoyed the Shawl making. We are struggling with trying to revive our traditions and any and all of our efforts need to

continue as we take small steps to learning our culture and tradition.

Sitting in our Executive and Legislative sessions has been at times challenging and at times enjoyable but always enjoyable times to learn and grow.

Seeing work has begun on the community center feels like we are doing something that the community can use and enjoy. I hope we can have a grand opening and celebration and continue with activities for the youth along with all members of our community.

I had the pleasure of going to Copper Island with some of our youth and elders and it was such a joy to see our youth enjoying themselves. Many thanks to RCMP

Constable Marcel Midlane for being there to present as a much admired role

model and to take some youth out fishing; it was so good to see his interaction with the youth. I look forward to seeing this continue to grow and hope more families attend, to enjoy this experience with their children.

I sincerely hope to see our community grow together as we work towards a better future for our children and a safer place in our community.

Thank you all, take care.

Geraldine Touchie



The Yuutu?it?ath Legislature and the District of Ucluelet council at the Community to Community meetings.

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### In Memoriam

Taayii ʔawiih Lawrence Jack passed away on September 1, 2013. He served as Taayii ʔawiih for more than 65 years and transferred his chieftainship along to son, Wilson.

# Legislative Assembly



Back row, left to right: Tyee Ha'wilth, Wilson Jack, Art Cootes, Alan McCarthy, Tad Williams, President Charles McCarthy. Front row, left to right:

## Legislation passed

Administrative Decisions Review Act

Annual Budget Act (2011-2012)

Annual Budget Act (2012-2013)

Capital Borrowing Act

Citizenship Act

Code of Conduct & Conflict of Interest Act

Economic Development Act

Wya Developments Capital Borrowing Act

Effective Date Procedures Act

Elections Act

Enforcement Act

Environmental Protection Act

Financial Administration Act

Freedom of Information & Protection of Privacy Act

Government Act

Government Personnel Act

Interpretation Act

Land Act

Legislature Rules of Order & Procedure Act

Planning & Land Use Management Act

Real Property Tax Act

Referendum Act

Resource Harvesting Act

Building & Development Authorization Act

YFN RRAP-2012-001 Capital Borrowing Act

YFN RRAP-2012-002 Capital Borrowing Act

YFN Interpretation Act Amendment Act

Elections Act Amendment Act

Land Act Amendment Act

Annual Budget Act 2013-14

Building and Development Authorization Act Amendment Act



### In Memoriam

Yuutuʔitʔath Legislature member Art Cootes died on September 24, 2013.

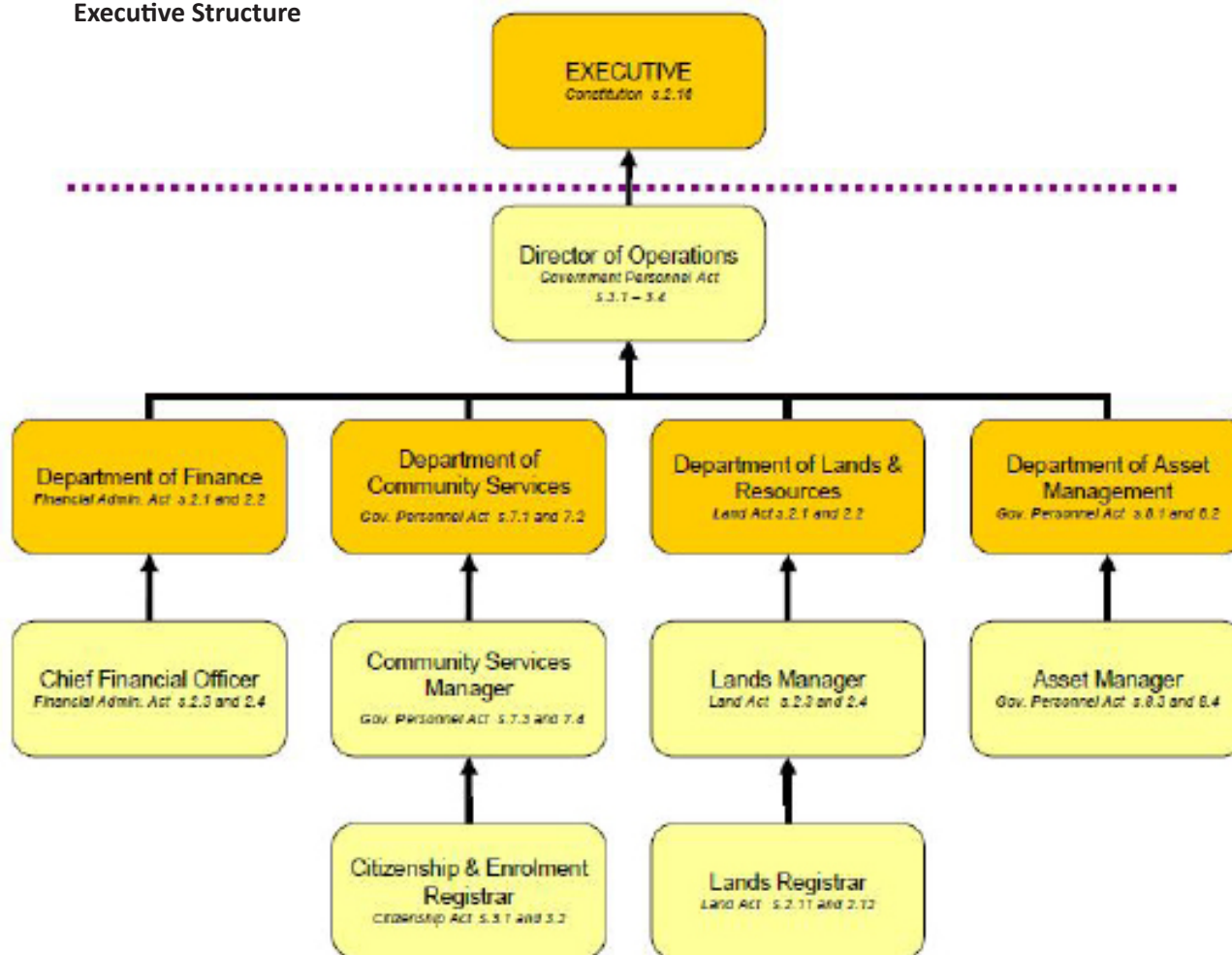


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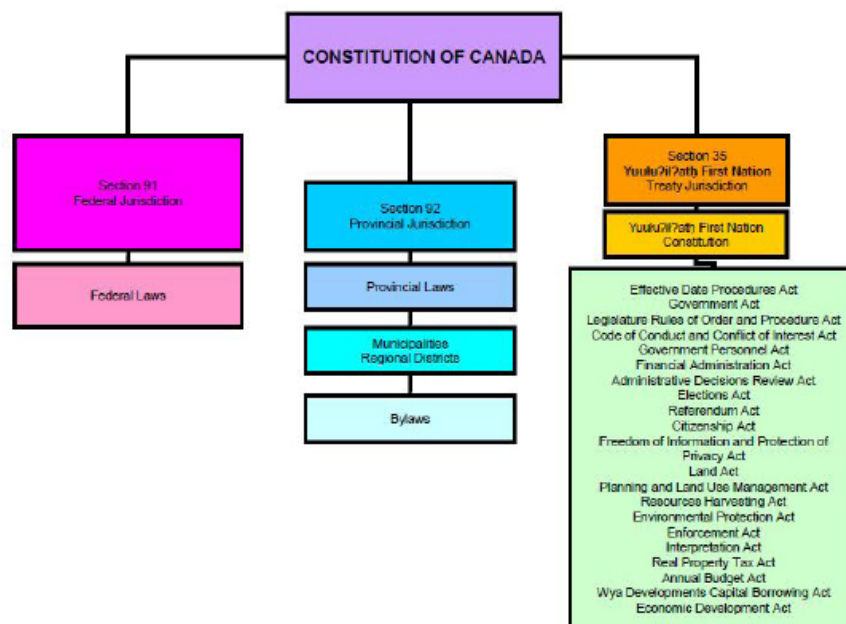




## Executive Structure



## Constitution and Legal Structure



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# Transformational project begins

It is my great pleasure to present the 2013 Annual Report for the Yuułu?it?ath government. This year we've been busy, laying the framework for some major projects that will take place in the coming year. The most noticeable project in the community is the building of the new community centre, which started physically in late summer after months of planning work. Prior to the start of the work on the ground, the project design team--consisting of employees, legislature members and advisors met with the builder and architect, going over the plans for the community centre, and revising the plans so the building will best suit our needs. By this time next year, the government offices will be moving into the new centre, and community members will be enjoying the use of the gym and community building.



One of the largest projects that will help transform this community is not structural, but rather a human capacity building effort, as we move from a social assistance based economy to a more independent and self-sufficient community, through a project called SEEDS. The Social Education Employment Development program is aimed at getting people in the community, off of a social assistance and onto a more productive and self-sufficient existence. Although we are just at the start of this program, we have high hopes that a year from now, this program will have shifted the demographics of our community, and changed it for the better.

We're hoping, through support and education, people can learn to better support themselves and the hope is that ultimately, people will feel good about being capable of looking after themselves and the community will be better off for it.

**Iris Frank**

Director of Operations

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## From the Chair of the Legislature



As chair of the Yuułu?it?ath Legislature I am thankful to have the opportunity to serve our people. Treaty government legislatures have tremendous responsibilities and need to be accountable. To that end a Terms of Reference for the Legislature was adopted this year.

Self-government has provided us the tools to make decisions in all aspects of our lives in accordance with our principles and values.

In the past two years we have started to build a solid foundation that will underpin our future as a strong, independent nation.

**Michelle Corfield**

Chair of the Legislature



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# Finance Department Overview



Melody Mundy, Tamara Nelson, Ruchel Stevens and Shelia Touchie.

In 2012-13 the department implemented in-house payroll software and a new budget template that will enhance the managers' access to information in order to assist them in their decision-making processes. The finance department interacts with all the Yuułu?it?ath Government's operating programs as well as external parties in order to meet both internal and external financial deadlines and laws.

Some of the responsibilities include:

- Accounts payable
- Accounts receivable
- Payroll
- Monthly and quarterly financial reporting
- H/G/PST rebate claims
- Property tax collection
- Budgeting
- Financial review/analysis for the Executive and Legislature to meet financial requirements under the Financial Administration Act, including support for economic and infrastructure development

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**Key laws overseen by Finance include:**

- Financial Administration Act, including budgeting, financial reporting, government borrowing, etc.
- Real Property Tax Act, including property taxes on treaty lands

**Key funding overseen by Finance includes:**



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- Capital Transfer (2013: \$3,063,118 – allocated to the Settlement Trust)
- Time Limited "Implementation" Funding (2013: \$3,642,475)
- Resource Revenue Sharing Funds (2013: \$216,524)
- Ongoing program funding from Canada (2013: \$3,293,018)
- Borrowing and guarantees with various financial institutions

## Yuułuʔiłʔatḥ (Ucluelet First Nation) - Summary Financial Information

Compiled from the March 31, 2013 audited financial statements

### Consolidated Statement of Financial Position

<b>FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Cash and current assets	1,082,376	3,773,452
Other long-term receivables	262,358	270,283
Restricted cash	2,486,902	897,856
Long-Term Investments	16,171,960	9,365,248
<b>Total Financial Assets</b>	<b>20,003,596</b>	<b>14,306,839</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Bank indebtedness and current liabilities	1,872,293	1,799,270
Reserves	250,272	192,355
Funds held in trust	-	-
Long-term debt	5,730,786	6,454,078
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>7,853,351</b>	<b>8,445,703</b>
<b>Net financial assets</b>	<b>12,150,245</b>	<b>5,861,136</b>
<b>NON-FINANCIAL ASSETS</b>		
Capital assets	10,814,366	11,008,489
Prepaid expenses	48,837	41,065
<b>Total non-financial assets</b>	<b>10,863,203</b>	<b>11,049,554</b>
<b>Accumulated surplus</b>	<b>23,013,448</b>	<b>16,910,690</b>

### Consolidated Statement of Operations and Accumulated Surplus

<b>REVENUE</b>		
AANDC (incl FFA and targetted)	10,256,514	12,515,819
Other revenues	4,422,030	1,107,024
<b>Total revenue</b>	<b>14,678,544</b>	<b>13,622,843</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>		
Operating Fund	8,749,457	6,008,003
Trust Fund	70,445	26,429
Social Housing Fund	287,448	294,948
Enterprise Fund	2,334	93,866
Treaty Fund	0	-
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>9,109,684</b>	<b>6,423,246</b>
Excess (deficiency of revenue over expenditures)	5,568,860	7,199,597
Accumulated surplus, beginning of year (as restated)	14,341,663	7,151,306
<b>Accumulated surplus, end of year</b>	<b>19,910,523</b>	<b>14,350,903</b>
Accumulated changes in contributed equity/prior period	3,102,925	2,559,787
<b>Accumulated surplus</b>	<b>23,013,448</b>	<b>16,910,690</b>

# The administrative team members



Suzanne Williams

## Administrative Coordinator

Suzanne Williams has been an integral part of the government since 2002 and it would be hard to imagine the administrative department without her dedication. She started out in communications, and has served as the Health Care receptionist,

Executive Secretary and now she's the Administrative Coordinator. Her main duties consist of providing administrative support, group benefit administration, and human resource management support to the administrative department and the Director of Operations. She also provides meeting preparation and minute-taking support to the Executive body of the Legislature.



Christina Klotz

## Citizen and Enrolment Registrar

Christina Klotz serves as the Law Clerk and as Citizenship and Enrolment Registrar and has worked with the nation since 2004. As law clerk she is responsible for assisting the administration of the Legislative affairs of the Legislature and her main duties include: maintaining the registry of laws, scheduling Legislature meetings, assembling meeting kits and taking minutes. She also schedules and takes minutes for the Hit-tat-soo Assemblies. For Citizenship & Enrolment she is responsible for assisting with the preparation and submission of applications for Indian Status, as well as maintaining the Yuułu?it?ath citizenship register and Yuułu?it?ath enrolment register. She is issuing status cards and harvest cards, maintaining government records and statistics for the AANDC register including births, marriages, divorces, legal adoptions and deaths.



Jeneva Touchie

## Receptionist

Jeneva Touchie has worked with the Yuułu?it?ath Government since 2010 as the receptionist at the Government House. Her daily tasks include answering the phone, booking meeting spaces, and arranging travel for employees and members of the Legislature for out-of-town meetings. She orders supplies for all government offices and processes incoming mail and faxes along with various other duties. Recently Jeneva started compiling the weekly Community News Bulletin.



Lisa McKnight-Yeates

## Communications Coordinator

Lisa McKnight-Yeates was hired as Communications Coordinator in 2011. She keeps citizens informed of the goings on in the community through the monthly newspaper 'the Umacuk'. This year she redesigned the government's website. She wrote the Yuułu?it?ath Government's section of the Maa-nulth Tripartite Annual Report last year and is working on this year's report. She also compiles the Yuułu?it?ath Government's Annual Report.



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# Department of Lands, Resources & Assets

As of April 1, 2013 the Department of Lands, Resources and Assets department continue to learn how extensive Yuuʔuʔitʔath lands and resources are and what they may offer. It is a vast area of forest, foreshore and ocean rich abundance of in resources that will continue to benefit citizens for generations. Un-covering the potential or in some cases re-establishing the means to access these resources in a sustainable way is a core function of this department.

Personnel responsible for maintaining Lands & Resources for the Nation include: Trevor Jones – YFN Fisheries LP and Amelia Robinson – Assistant to Manager of Lands & Resources and Asset Management. The Manager is responsible for reporting to and providing technical support for Alan McCarthy – Executive portfolio holder for the Lands & Resources Department.

The Assets Department oversees public works, housing, government buildings and community infrastructure. Staff members that operate and maintain government assets include: Emily Shirley and Jay Millar – Building & Property Management Coordinators, Marylin Touchie – Housing Coordinator. The Manager is responsible for reporting to and providing technical support for Larry Baird – Executive portfolio holder for the Asset Management Department.



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## **Community Centre**

Design plans for the project are complete giving way to site and foundation preparation that began this summer. Official blessing of the site by Barb Touchie and sod-turning ceremony including Tahee Hawilth Wilson Jack, Elders' Vi Touchie & Richard Mundy and President Chuck McCarthy took place September 21, 2013. Timber cutting and preparation began the first week of October and will be a focal point for the new Community Centre. The new Community Centre includes a full-size gymnasium complete with pull-out bleachers and scoreboard, community kitchen incorporating a full service food kiosk and Yuuʔuʔitʔath Government administration. Timeline for completion is summer 2014.





# Junction property becomes TSL

## Housing

The Housing Coordinator is responsible for all government and rental units and continues to work on various project such as: designs for a good quality, cost effective one bedroom family homes. Final designs met engineering approval and CMHC specifications for Section 95 subsidized housing, yet Yuułu?it?ath government did not qualify for low interest direct loan from CMHC due to an unforeseen technicality. The problem was reviewed by the federal government, CMHC and Yuułu?it?ath and is now being resolved. The Housing Coordinator will re-apply to build four, one bedroom units this coming year and is expecting to qualify for a direct loan from CMHC. CMHC did recently confirm two home-owner Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program applications.

Successfully applied for 100 battery powered smoke detectors. They will be installed by members of the Hitacu Fire Department as part of the home inspection program carried out by the Housing Coordinator. Four perimeter drains were completed in 2013. Perimeter drain installation is contingent on annual budget and is placed in priority based on need with health and safety being the highest priority.

## Adding to Treaty Lands

YFN was successful in adding to Treaty Lands this year, after a recent announcement that the province of BC has given it's assent to the inclusion of the Junction Property (Wya Welcome Centre) as part of Treaty Lands. Canada gave it's approval a few months ago, and pointed to the support that YFN received from the District of Ucluelet and the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District, in it's bid to add to Treaty Lands.

## Official Community Plan

The Official Community Plan (OCP) provides for how Treaty Lands will be cared for, protected and developed into the future and will be shared with regional districts, nearby municipalities, the Province, and the Federal government so they are informed of the land use directions of the Yuułu?it?ath Government.

The OCP was given 2nd reading followed by a Public Hearing last spring and finally stakeholder consultation this summer with the District of Ucluelet and Alberni Clayoquot Regional District. The OCP has undergone final legal review and is expected to receive 3rd and final reading then be enacted into law by the end of the year.



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# New water reservoir for Hitacu

## Water

Water is an abundant resource for Yuuṭuʔitʔath. Current water system upgrades provide infrastructure and the ability to utilize YFN's water reserves into the future. YFN have a total 57,000 cubic decametres (12,500,000 gals.) per year in water reserves made up of various rivers and streams within the Treaty Lands. Determining how and where to access this resource in a sustainable manner remains a priority.

## Infrastructure

Yuuṭuʔitʔath Government was successful in its application for funding a water and sewer upgrade project under an AANDC targeted program. The total funding amount of \$3,912,062 was approved for constructing a new water reservoir and associated infrastructure, replacing the gravity fed sewage main from the west boundary of Hitacu (near Government House) to the first lift station across from the gravel pit. Also included is re-paving Hitacu Road from Government House to the Wya Road intersection, all of Wya Road to the new Community Centre and all of Howard Road. Timeline for completion is summer of 2014.



## Lands

Surveys of Hitacu are 99% complete and as a result a draft subdivision plan has been developed for Executive review. Upon Executive approval the plan will be registered in the Victoria Land Title Office raising fee simple title in the name of the Nation. Once registered, Yuuṭuʔitʔath Government will have the ability to transfer title to an eligible recipient, Yuuṭuʔitʔath Corporation or a prescribed person or category of persons. road to the new reservoir. Phase two of this program will be a Sewer upgrade once thought to include the installation of a low pressure system may now shift to a gravity system; this would be the preference because of the reduction in long-term maintenance cost.

## Public Works

Maintenance for government lands, buildings, structures and infrastructure includes:

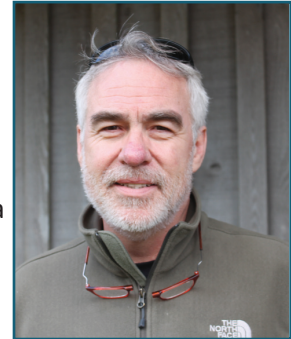
gutters/lighting, drainage, security, disposing large household refuse (appliances, furniture etc.), pump stations - cleaning floats and removing sludge, brush clearing, fire hydrant pressure testing and maintenance, cemetery maintenance, government wharf, water delivery, water testing in Hitacu, Wya Campground, Wya Surf Shop and Kʷisitis, flushing and clearing storm sewer pipes and sewage disposal.



# Department of Community Services

I write my reflections on the past year's activities of the Community Services Department at a pause in the opening ceremonies and celebrations taking place at Gathering Wisdom VI in Vancouver.

I have been witness to an historic transformation and opportunity as 203 BC take responsibility over their health programmes and services from Health Canada. The First Nations Health Authority (FNHA) the first province-wide Aboriginal health authority in Canada - will have a profound impact on the health of all BC Aboriginal people for generations to come as it re-designs a health care system with aboriginal people's needs, values and wisdom in mind.



This transformation and the opportunities it presents all BC First Nations is no less profound than that taking place in our community among the Yuuʔitʔath. And success in both is dependent on individuals with the ability to envision a healthier future for our children, families and community and taking the responsibility to make it happen.

2013 has been another exceptionally busy year at Community Services as we continue to establish new directions, strengthen partnerships and deliver services to our citizens in community health and wellness, social development services, education, cultural and language, Youth and Elder programs.

We continue with our mission to provide a holistic and inclusive range of services and programs that are based upon, and strengthen, the culture and traditions to improve the health and wellness of individuals, families and the community as a whole.

Among the most significant of these has been the gradual development and unveiling of our new Social Development or SEEDS Program (Social, Education, Employment Development Services). This new program replaces the conventional SA-program that reinforced dependency and poverty with a new model designed to work with individuals one-on-one to help reduce poverty by supporting health, education and employment readiness skills and training to stimulate greater self worth, independence and self-reliance.

Some additional notable achievements this year include:

- \* Several community-based training opportunities to over 30 individuals through partnerships with Vancouver Island University/North Island College (Aboriginal Leadership); BladeRunners and Drivers Education (Nuu-chah-nulth Education and Training Program);

- \* With the financial support of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission and local videographers, produced a 30-minute video featuring several Yuuʔitʔath elders sharing their experiences from Indian Residential School.

In closing I'd like to acknowledge each of the Community Service Department staff for all their hard work, personal commitment and sense of purpose in assisting all Yuuʔitʔath towards greater responsibility in their own health and wellness. I also wish to acknowledge all Yuuʔitʔath citizens who regularly participate in and support Community Services programmes and services. And for those of you who take the time to share your constructive ideas and

tell us what services and programs you want - you are showing the community-leadership and responsibility to transform BC Aboriginal health for the benefit of the generations to come.



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# Cultural activities in the community

## Culture Night

Deb Mundy, Social Development Coordinator organizes a dinner twice a week at the Community Hall. Dinner is made by Deb and her group of volunteers, and set up and clean-up is done as a community effort. Cultural Leader Lindsay McCarthy and drummers play for dance practise. Upwards of 100 people have been in attendance.



## Language Classes

Elder Barbara Touchie and Language Co-ordinator Dr. Bernice Touchie teach Nuuchah-nulth language classes every Wednesday afternoon. Several community members are learning the spelling and pronunciation of different words and phrases. In her new role as Language Co-ordinator, Dr. Touchie will aim at increasing the language proficiency of all learners, including Pre-School, Elementary/High school and Adult learners.



## Strengthening Our Men

With grants from VIHA Aboriginal Health Initiative and the Clayoquot Biosphere Trust we established a locally-designed program Strengthening our Men to assist young men's interest in Nuuchah-nulth culture and their physical, emotional, spiritual and mental health



## Home Care for Elders

The Department of Community Services provides personal home-making and care to about a dozen Elders in the Community. NTC nurse Jeanette Pattison has recently joined the home-making staff. Stella George is the other home care provider.



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Community Services Department staff left to right, Deb Mundy, Lorraine Mundy, Veronica Williams, Nuuchah-nulth Tribal Council Health Nurse Michele Eng, Manager Trevor Wickham and Carrie George. Other employees are Gloria Valentine, Sarah Hagar, Dr. Bernice Touchie, Vickie Touchie and Stella George.

### Ittatsoo Day Care

Vickie Touchie is the Day Care Supervisor. Youth have also been involved in the Language Nest Program that has Elders visiting the day care and interacting with children in the Nuuchah-nulth language.

### Community Wellness

Community Wellness Coordinator Gloria Valentine introduced two separate addiction support programs this year as well as supported families living away from home with child welfare. A variety of workshops were also held



including a drum-making workshop and a shawl-making program. Part of the wellness portfolio is also bringing health professionals into the community.

### Youth Programs

Sarah Hagar is our Youth and Child Support Worker, back after a one-year maternity leave. Alysson Thicke filled in for her during the leave. Recently the Youth & Learning Centre was given the name ʔapcayiiq Youth & Learning Centre. The centre supports Child and Youth in mentorship, homework, recreation and cultural programming. The centre is open daily to support out of school teens and offers a place for outside service providers to meet with our children and youth. Prenatal programs and parenting support for parents of school age children will also be provided this year. Highlights for 2013 include the I am Film-maker participants winning an award at the Cowichan Aboriginal Film Festival. A seven week summer program was offered for 8-12 year olds.



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# Ucluth Fisheries Limited Partnership

## Harvesting Act

The Ucluelet Resources Harvesting Act was created to establish a comprehensive regime for the management of natural resources in the Yuuʔuʔitʔath Treaty Lands (TL), including the conservation, protection, and recovery of species at risk or species of special concern. From April 1, 2012 until March 31st, 2013, 19 Yuuʔuʔitʔath Harvest Cards were issued,

## Fisheries Activities

The Ucluth Fisheries LP carries out weekly patrols of the Yuuʔuʔitʔath TL (DFO contract) for monitoring and enforcement. Areas that are closed for shell-fish harvesting being monitored and closures are now posted at the Hitacu dock.

The Ucluth Fisheries LP has been part of ongoing enhancement initiatives to increase Nahmint Chinook Population. Ucluelet Fisheries participates in the Joint Fisheries Committee to plan and manage stock assessment, enhancement initiatives, stewardship activities and fish habitat. Domestic fishing is tracked and reported through Maa-nulth Electronic Catch Reporting (MERP), and submits an annual Shellfish Plan to the Joint Fisheries Committee.

There were food fish deliveries (halibut, rockfish and sockeye) to citizens in Port Alberni, Nanaimo and Victoria.

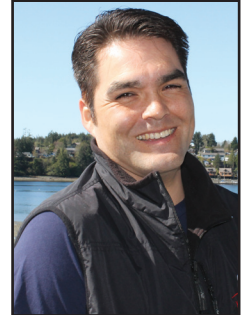




# Economic Development

Five years ago we all sat down as a community and identified and prioritized specific projects that would help build our community up and get more of our people employed. We will be hiring and training three more management positions next season and look forward to YFN members leading the charge. Our businesses are orientated for the long term and we are meeting most of those goals. Here is how it is going:

**YFN Management Services LP** and all of the YFN businesses it operates has contributed to salaries with 69 full-time, part-time and seasonal jobs. Five years ago none of those jobs existed. Now that we are becoming established and building capacity our work season will gradually grow longer.



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## Wya Point Resort

Revenue has increased 30% from last year. Now that our marketing campaign and excellent word of mouth is spreading, our campsites and yurts have been booked solid this last summer.

The four lodges that were available this season had sporadic occupancy. Five smaller lodges will be completed in the spring 2014.



## Thornton Motel

The bad news is that we had a stove fire started by one of our customers and the Thornton has suffered major smoke and water damage to most of our units. We lost out on a busy season.

The good news is that no one was hurt and we have very good fire insurance and are working diligently with our insurance agency to become fully operational again. We still have 4 large suites that were occupied throughout summer and are still available to rent.



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# Economic Development: Feast House

## Wya Welcome Centre

The Welcome Centre maintained its operations and booked for the Wya Point Resort. We will be shutting it down for the season and may open up again if there are more bookings. All off season booking will be directed to the Thornton Motel

## Wya Point Surf Shop

The surf shop continues to increase sales. We focus on the beginner surfers including people who want to rent and take lessons.

## Kwisitis Feast House

We opened the restaurant June 21st and started during the busiest time of the year. Considering that we have never operated a restaurant



before, we are very happy with sales. Our staff will continue on with training. The restaurant is open from 11am-6pm weekdays and 11am-8pm on Saturdays. The restaurant is now licensed, has added sushi and a Sunday Brunch Buffet.

With the increase in restaurant traffic sales are up 30% from last year at the Kwisitis Gift Shop. We are constantly updating the gift shop.



## Creek Side Development (Lost Shoe Creek)

Superior Propane is our first tenant at Creek Side Developments. We are entertaining other businesses that are interested including a gas station, grocery store, liquor store and retail stores.

This development is another example of how YFN is building job opportunities and producing revenue for our people.



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# Yuutu?it?ath Vision Statement

Yuutu?it?ath are grounded in our history. Our citizens have learned from ancestors and elders who we are and where we come from and we pass this knowledge on to our young people. As Yuutu?it?ath, we understand and fulfill our traditional and historic roles and responsibilities as a Nation. We know that our language is essential to the practice of our culture and we continue to promote the use of our language and full understanding of our history and culture.

We value and respect the Ha-houlthee of our Ha-wiih. We manage and protect our resources for future generations. The respectful use of our territories and the practice of our traditional ways contribute to our physical and spiritual health and our cultural well-being.

## Yuutu?it?ath Core Values

We are Yuutu?it?ath.

We believe in the system of ha'wiih for a sustainable community.

We are part of the Hahuuti of our Ha'wiih.

We believe in the importance of living healthy life styles.

We will act and pursue concepts of iisaak (respect of environment, self, ha'wiih, elders, spirituality, and hahuupa).

We will practice authentic ?uusimc, ciiqua and maintain balance for our achievement.

As Yuutu?it?ath we value and respect our elders for their teachings and ways of learning that sustain our culture.

We will continue our belief in sharing and huupictaat (supporting each other).

We will continue our spiritual gratefulness to plants, seafood and animals that became our food and medicine.



