MTFIDA Action Plan Update for 2024



Engagement

In 2024 public engagement began using an online survey, in person interactions at various locations in the community, and attendance at local events, to gather feedback for the Community Accessibility Plan

The Accessibility and Inclusion Advisory Committee started work on the new Community Accessibility Plan, setting a guiding framework, and defining barriers

Truth and Reconciliation

Supported Community to Community events by Ch'íyáqtel and the Chilliwack Chamber of Commerce in 2024

Two new welcome figures, carved by Yeqwyeqwi:ws First Nation Chief Terry Horne, were unveiled in front of Chilliwack City Hall with Mayor and Council on May 14, 2024

Funding Opportunities

Chilliwack City Council supported and funded Pride banners in downtown Chilliwack for the month of June in 2022, 2023 and 2024

Inclusive events continued to be supported through the Neighbourhood Grant Program, including funding for the 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024 Pride Festival, and the 2023 and 2024 Streams Festival



Accessibility

New Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons installed at eight intersections in 2024

Introduced Sensory Sensitive Friendly Skates for people who are neurodiverse in 2024

Installed a new accessible elevator at the Landing Sports Centre for patrons to reach the second-floor loft in 2024

Two Recreation staff members took inclusion and accessibility training in 2024 and obtained an Access and Inclusion Certificate through Rick Hansen Foundation

Staff Education

Staff participated in the following education in 2024:

- Foundations to Diversity and Inclusion course, presented by Radius SFU
- De-escalation training presented by Crisis and Trauma Resource Institute
- Historical Impacts Training presented by Three Sisters Consulting

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