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Hello Cariboo Regional District,

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As a valued Heritage BC member we want to celebrate Heritage Week on February 17-23, 2025 with you! Every year, we promote Heritage Week with posters, proclamations, and themed events to raise awareness for the importance of learning about our diverse heritage across the province. This year's theme **Pastimes in Past Times** celebrates the many ways people spent their leisure time throughout history, exploring how these activities have contributed to the cultural fabric of today.

We have sent you two posters, and we invite you to hang them up to spread the word about Heritage Week 2025! If you plan on celebrating Heritage Week with an event, then make sure to submit it to our Heritage Week Calendar. You can promote your event using tools on our website, including Canva templates and digital posters. Learn more at heritagebc.ca/heritage-week-host.

As you may know, Heritage Week is one of many programs that we run annually. Here are some additional dates that you may want to add to your 2025 calendars:

January 29 12PM: A new webinar, **Finding Common Ground**. We are inviting Small Housing BC to discuss where their advocacy message for building a better community intersects with heritage. Register now! All our webinars are free for members.

May 22-23: We are hosting our annual heritage conference in Tk'emlúps and Kamloops, BC. The theme is *Me7 Elkstwécw-kt—Working Together*. Early-bird registration opens on January 8, 2025. Register to join us for place-based sessions that celebrate the vital role of relationships in our heritage work.

New Timelines

This year we are introducing new timelines for two of our annual programs.

Awards: The 2025 Heritage BC Awards nomination intake will open in June and the winners will be announced in September. We look forward to receiving your nominations and celebrating remarkable achievements in heritage across the province.

Heritage Legacy Fund : Eligibility check-ins will take place over the summer, with intake open from late summer to early fall. Grant award announcements will follow by the end of the year. Applicants can seek funding under four granting streams: Heritage Conservation, Heritage Awareness, Heritage Planning, and Indigenous Partnerships.

We hope you will continue to support Heritage BC and our work across the sector with your membership. If you have any questions, or require assistance with renewing your membership, please don't hesitate to connect with Jennyce Hoffman, our membership coordinator, at jhoffman@heritagebc.ca.

Thank you from all of us at Heritage BC!



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Dear Mayor and Council,

We are sending you this poster to celebrate Heritage Week, Pastimes in Past Times, which takes place on February 17-23, 2025. Heritage Week is an annual event, established by the National Trust for Canada in 1973, that encourages Canadians to learn about and advocate for the heritage in their communities.

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Heritage BC is a member-based non-profit that educates and builds awareness for heritage stewardship in the province, and every year we promote Heritage Week with posters, proclamations, and themed events to raise awareness for the importance of learning about our diverse heritage across the province.

As the leaders of your community, your initiative will play an important role in stewarding local heritage for future generations. There are a few key things that you can do to promote awareness of and advocate for heritage.

- **Declare Heritage Week through a Municipal Proclamation**

Every year, the Provincial Government and local governments across BC make proclamations for Heritage Week, signaling the importance of the stewardship of heritage in this province. We have attached a template for your reference. Share your proclamation with us at info@heritagebc.ca.

- **Visit a Heritage Site, Museum, or Cultural Centre**

Consider a local government 'field trip' to a local heritage site, museum or heritage organization to learn more about your community's history. Your visit can have a lasting impact on a small not-for-profit, and signal the value they bring to the community as stewards of history and heritage.

- **Learn About the Basics of Local Heritage Conservation**

Local Governments have the capacity to conserve local heritage in all its forms through tools outlined in the Local Government Act. Familiarize yourself with these important tools by reading the free one-pagers on our website: heritagebc.ca/heritage-quick-studies.

- **Support Your Heritage Commission**

Heritage BC offers workshops and webinars for members of local heritage committees. These workshops help educate volunteers who care about heritage conservation, so they can make better informed decisions in their work.

- **Become a Member**

For \$100 a year, a Government Membership to Heritage BC provides all staff planners and associated committee members with free access to our on-demand and live webinars, as well as discounts for heritage workshops and our annual conference. Promoting continuing education will create a strong foundation for the protection of your community's unique heritage.

Have questions about what we do at Heritage BC? Learn more on our website, heritagebc.ca or reach out by email at info@heritagebc.ca. We would love to hear from you.

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