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B.C.'s Gaming Industry

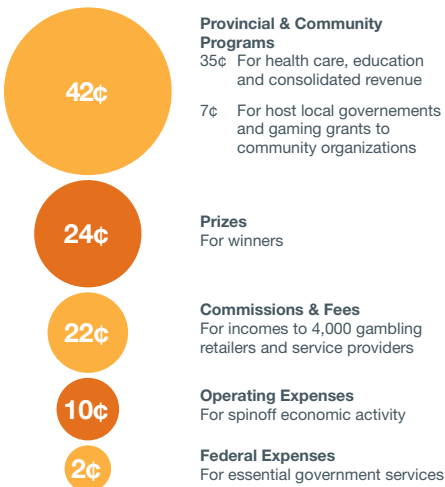
BCLC games are available in almost every community in B.C.

- **3,500** lottery locations
- **6** bingo halls
- **17** casinos
- **18** community gaming centres
- **2** racetracks

BCLC partners with private sector companies to operate gambling facilities in B.C. Under the *Gaming Control Act*, BCLC is responsible for the security and integrity of the games and setting responsible gambling standards and practices.

Gaming is a significant contributor to the B.C. economy.

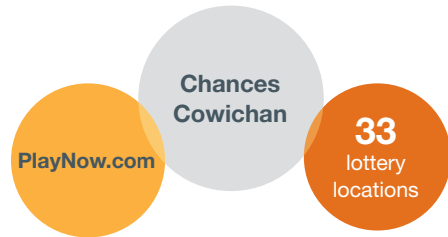
The Province of B.C. created BCLC to give back to British Columbia and help communities grow. **Thanks to players, more than \$20 billion has been invested in B.C. communities over the past 32 years.** Today, **\$0.88** of every dollar played goes back into the Province.



Gaming in Cowichan Tribes (Duncan): Local Benefits

Players and Facilities

75 per cent of adults in British Columbia gambled with BCLC in the past year: that includes playing a lottery game, visiting a casino, or playing online at PlayNow.com. In Duncan, more than **11,340** registered players play our games.



Gaming Contributes to the Local Economy

- **69** local jobs created by Chances Cowichan
- Chances Cowichan supports local vendors and suppliers in Duncan ranging from trades companies and food services to local media

Our players look for more than just gaming. As a result, most of our facilities include additional amenities such as the lounge at Chances Cowichan. With seven TVs, and drink and food specials, the lounge is a great place to catch the next football game with friends.

Gaming Revenue Funds Local Initiatives

Local governments and First Nations that host a gaming facility receive a 10 per cent share of the net income those facilities generate. Last year, the Cowichan Tribes received **\$774,000** generated by Chances Cowichan to fund local initiatives.

Sponsorships

The Duncan Dabber Bingo Society is a non-profit society comprised of 61 local charities that benefit from revenue generated by Chances Cowichan. Those organizations include:

Cowichan Family Life Association—The Cowichan Family Life Association provides affordable peer counselling services and community groups, early learning and literacy for kids 0-5 and their families, and programs to support school-aged children in their social and emotional development and well-being.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Cowichan Valley—Big Brothers Big Sisters is Canada's leading child and youth mentoring charity. The Cowichan Valley branch empowers children and youth to reach their potential through mentoring programs, as well as one-to-one and group programs both inside and outside of schools.

Kiwanis Club of Duncan—The Kiwanis Club of Duncan has been supporting projects that better the Cowichan Valley community for 65 years. The club has supported many worthwhile causes in the community that benefit residents of all ages, including local high school bursaries, the Cowichan Music Festival Awards, the annual salmon barbecue for residents of Kiwanis, and the Cowichan Alzheimer's Walk for Memory.

Community Gaming Grants

The Province of B.C. allocates **\$135 million** annually to community organizations through the Community Gaming Grant Program.

- **42** organizations in Duncan received funding last year
- **\$1.61 million** went to support those organizations within the human and social services sector, public safety, sports, arts and culture, and parent advisory councils

Did you know?

In 2016/17, BCLC delivered **\$1.31 billion** in net income to the Provincial Government.

Across the province gaming employs more than **37,000** workers.

Read more about how gaming revenues help communities grow at playitforward.bclc.com

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