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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.



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

Gaming in Richmond: 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 Richmond, more than **124,600** registered players play our games.



Gaming Contributes to the Local Economy

- **1,387** local jobs created by River Rock Casino Resort
- Last year, River Rock Casino spent **\$8.8 million** with 224 local vendors
- River Rock Casino paid **\$2,5467,444** in municipal taxes to the City of Richmond in 2016
- Great Canadian Gaming, parent company of River Rock Casino has contributed **\$442.5 million** in capital investments, projects and acquisitions in Richmond since 2004

Our players look for more than just gaming. As a result, most of our facilities include additional amenities such as the **River Rock Show Theatre**, which, in addition to hosting world famous acts, is one of the West Coast's premier entertainment destinations offering a comfortable, elegant, and easily adaptable space to host any private or public special occasion.

Gaming Revenue Funds Local Initiatives

Local governments that host a gaming facility receive a 10 per cent share of the net income those facilities generate. Since opening in 2004, River Rock Casino has generated **\$194.8 million** for the City of Richmond. Last year, the City received **\$16,972,000** from River Rock Casino to fund local initiatives.

- The City of Richmond allocated **\$50 million** of its share of provincial gaming revenue to help fund the new state-of-the-art **Minoru Centre for Active Living** and the **No.1 Fire Hall**. The Minoru Centre for Active Living is a multi-purpose complex that will include a new aquatics centre, new seniors centre and other recreation and sport amenities. Construction of the Centre is set to complete in late 2017, early 2018.
- The City of Richmond distributed more than **\$800,000** in community grants for social services, arts, and sport groups to over 60 not-for-profit community groups in 2017.

Did you know? More than \$50 million of the City's share of gaming revenue funded the Richmond Olympic Oval.

Did you know?

In 2016/17, BCLC delivered \$1.3 billion in net income to the Provincial Government.

Sponsorships

River Rock Casino Resort provided support for **587** local non-profit and charitable organizations and events in 2016, including:

Richmond Family Place—Richmond Family Place is River Rock Casino Resort's signature charitable partner. The signature partnership creates a lasting relationship between River Rock and Richmond Family Place, where River Rock supports Family Place through in-kind, volunteer and financial means in a way that is meaningful and unique to them.

Dreams Take Flight—Dreams Take Flight is a non-profit organization made up entirely of volunteers. The organization holds fundraisers throughout the year to raise money to take over 130 children with various special needs to Disneyland for one day, all expenses paid. All proceeds raised at Great Canadian's second annual employee Charity Golf Classic were donated to Dreams Take Flight.

Community Gaming Grants

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

- **106** organizations in Richmond received funding last year.
- **\$3.07 million** went to support organizations in the human and social services sector, public safety, sports, arts and culture, and parent advisory councils.

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

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