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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.

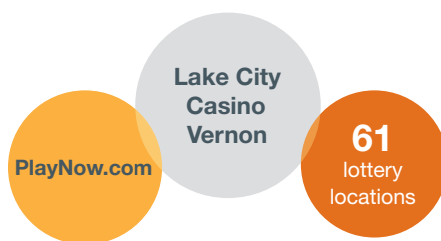


Across the province gaming employs more than 37,000 workers.

Gaming in Vernon: 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 Vernon, more than **31,000** registered players play our games.



Gaming Contributes to the Local Economy

- **185** local jobs created by Lake City Casino Vernon.
- Lake City Casino Vernon supports many local vendors and suppliers in Vernon ranging from landscaping to mechanical to local media.
- Lake City Casino Vernon paid **\$214,246** in municipal taxes to the City of Vernon in 2017.

Our players look for more than just gaming. As a result, most of our facilities include additional amenities such as **Match Eatery & Public House**; a contemporary themed Pub offering a great sporting, and entertainment experience featuring Live Music, DJ's and sporting events.

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. Last year, the City of Vernon received **\$1,962,000** generated by Lake City Casino Vernon to fund local initiatives.

Did you know?

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

Community Gaming Grants

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

- **52** organizations in Vernon received funding last year.
- **\$1.18 million** went to support those organizations in the human and social services sector, public safety, sports, arts and culture, and parent advisory councils.

Sponsorships

Lake City Casino Vernon provides support for local non-profit and charitable organizations and events, including:

North Okanagan Neurological Association (NONA)—Lake City Casinos, through its corporate giving program GatewayGIVES committed \$10,000 to NONA's Build the Clubhouse Project. May 2016 was NONA month at Lake City Vernon with a variety of fundraisers that helped the organization reach its fundraising goals. The Build the Clubhouse Project was formed to help build a new \$1.6 million facility which will provide comprehensive services to more than 700 children and youth with a variety of special needs each year.

BC Children's Hospital—In July 2017, GatewayGIVES was represented by three of its Okanagan sites including Lake City Casino Vernon at the Bats for a Cause charity softball tournament in support of BC Children's Hospital. Together, the sites raised a total of \$11,540 through barbeques, raffle sales and other fundraising efforts. Gateway has been part of the tournament every year since it started nine years ago and during that time, has raised more than \$35,000 for the hospital.

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



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