## GAMBLING IN B.C.

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

- 20 casinos
- 14 community gaming centres
- 2 racetrack casinos
- **1** bingo hall

\$1.16 billion in prizes for lottery, bingo & sports betting in 2022/23

#### 3,400 \$28+ lottery locations

in gambling revenue has been invested in B.C. communities by the Province of B.C. since 1985

**billion** in net income delivered to the Province of B.C. in 2022/23.

Thanks to players, \$1.6







## BCLC'S SOCIAL PURPOSE

Since defining our social purpose: we exist to generate winwins for the greater good, BCLC has been seeking ways to further integrate purpose within our approach to business, decision-making and in our engagement with stakeholders and Indigenous partners. With purpose at the forefront, BCLC recently developed and approved our Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Framework and Policy. Adopting an ESG Framework and Policy empowers BCLC to create more equitable and positive outcomes that help deliver on our social purpose mandate—all while driving long-term value for the company, and our stakeholders and Indigenous partners.

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# Castlegar Community Impact Report



#### **GAMBLING CONTRIBUTES**

## TO THE CASTLEGAR ECONOMY

## 2,105+

registered players

## 15

lottery locations

#### 1

community gaming centre

#### million in provincial gambling revenue shared with the City of Castlegar since

\$5.0

2011

generated in 2022/23 by Chances Castlegar for the City of Castlegar to fund local initiatives

\$546,000

#### \$95,557

Prizes paid out at BCLC's head offices for 40 winning lottery tickets purchased in Castlegar in 2022

Each year, municipal and First Nation governments in B.C. that host a gambling facility receive a 10 per cent share of net gambling income generated at those facilities. Last year, 33 Host Local Governments across B.C. received **\$100.8 million** in provincial gambling revenue to fund local projects and initiatives.

#### **GAMBLING REVENUE**

## FUNDS LOCAL INITIATIVES IN CASTLEGAR

Last year, the Province of B.C. allocated approximately **\$140 million** to not-for-profit organizations through its Community Gaming Grants program.



#### \$548,650

went to support those organizations in the human and social services sector, public safety, sports, arts and culture, and parent advisory councils

Photo: Castlegar-State

#### SPOTLIGHT

## COMMUNITY GAMING GRANTS

Last year, six sport focused organizations in Castlegar received Community Gaming Grants, totalling more than \$100,000. This funding supports the delivery of accessible and inclusive athletic programs and services within the community.

Organizations in Castlegar that received a Community Gaming Grant last year include:

- Castlegar & District Minor Hockey Association
- Castlegar Aquanauts Swim Club
- Castlegar Skating Club

Read more about how gambling revenues help communities grow at: **corporate.bclc.com** 

#### **GENERATING WIN-WINS**

## IN CASTLEGAR

The Province of B.C. created BCLC 38 years ago with the purpose of giving back to British Columbians and to help communities grow. Since that time, thanks to our players, BCLC has delivered \$28 billion in net income to the province to support communities, provincial programs and essential services, charitable organizations and major events that have played a vital role in shaping the province. Municipalities and First Nations that host gambling facilities use their share of provincial gambling revenue to fund local projects such as the construction of new facilities, improvements to parks, road maintenance, and the implementation of grant programs that aim to enhance the well-being of the community.

Since 2011, the City of Castlegar has received nearly \$5 million in Host Local Government payments. Last year, the City of Castlegar received \$546,000 generated by Chances Castlegar to fund local initiatives in the community.

# PLAYER HEALTH GAME BREAK



It's important to take breaks when gambling. It's a way to pause and regain perspective. However, when it becomes harder to fit in breaks and gambling just doesn't seem fun anymore, BCLC's Game Break program can be the first step towards getting help.

In January 2023, BCLC launched Game Break, a reconceptualized self-exclusion program with an active reinstatement process that strives to reduce stigma and empower individuals to make the right choices for themselves.

When a Game Break term is completed, individuals take part in an online program that encourages self-reflection and awareness before they return to gambling, if they choose to at all. If they are not ready, they have the option to extend their break.

#### For more information on Game Break visit GameSense.com