

in net income delivered to the Province of B.C. in 2024/25

# BCLC CELEBRATES ITS 40th Anniversary

BCLC proudly celebrates its 40th anniversary — a significant milestone in our organization's history.

What began as a small organization responsible for lottery games has since grown into a significant contributor to B.C.'s economy and communities. Today BCLC conducts and manages lottery, casinos, sports betting and PlayNow.com across B.C., continues to create entertainment experiences that bring people together and remains deeply committed to helping our people, players, partners and communities thrive.

### TOGETHER We Win



#### BCLC exists to generate win-wins for the greater good.

For over 40 years, we've been bringing people together through shared moments of entertainment. Now, we're taking it further by striving to put human connection at the heart of everything we do. From the games we design, to the partnerships we build, or the programs we support, it all comes back to one simple idea: we're better together, and together we win.



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2024/25

# New Westminster Community Impact Report



**GAMBLING CONTRIBUTES TO** 

The New Westminster Economy

**57**lottery locations

\$141.52 million

in provincial gambling revenue shared with the City of New West since 1999

36,062+ registered players

\$1.54 million

> in prizes paid out at BCLC's head offices for 152 winning lottery tickets purchased in New Westminster in 2024

\$5.16 million

casino

Starlight Casino

generated in 2024/25 by Starlight Casino for the City of New Westminster to fund local initiatives

\$969,708

paid in municipal taxes by Starlight Casino to the City of New Westminster in 2024

Each year, municipal and First
Nations governments in B.C. that host
a gambling facility typically receive a 10 per
cent share of net gambling income generated at
those facilities. In fiscal year 2024/25, BCLC generated
\$86.6 million for the Province to distribute to 33 Host Local
Governments across B.C. to fund local projects and initiatives.

#### **GAMBLING REVENUE**

# Funds Local Initiatives in New Westminster

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

**57** 

organizations in New Westminster received funding last year \$2.23 million

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

# SPONSORSHIP Charity Poker Tournament



Starlight Casino held the 2nd Annual Charity Poker Tournament hosted by Patrick Johnstone, Mayor of New Westminster. Local leaders and changemakers gathered for a night of skill, strategy, and high stakes – raising funds for their favourite charities. This year's poker stars donated a total of \$3,750 to their four chosen organizations.



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

#### YOU PLAY

#### New Westminster Benefits

In 2024, the City of New Westminster used provincial gambling revenue from hosting Starlight Casino to fund several infrastructure improvement projects aimed at enhancing community safety, connectivity, and quality of life. This included investments in:

- Active transportation improvements, such as new and upgraded sidewalks, pedestrian crossings, and lighting along key routes.
- · Rail crossing safety upgrades in Queensborough.
- Streetscape and public space improvements in Uptown New Westminster.

Additionally, gambling revenue supported the development of the Queen's Park Petting Farm Master Plan which aims to foster environmental stewardship and biodiversity while honouring the Indigenous cultures who have cared for the land for generations. This plan outlines a phased transformation of the site into a space focused on nature, outdoor programming, and environmental literacy. In 2024, early changes included:

- Installation of undulating Coast Salish forms within the landscape to restore soil and support native plant and animal life.
- Renovation of outdoor pavilions to host public outdoor classes and workshops.
- Installation of an accessible wooden boardwalk.

#### **SPOTLIGHT**

# Union Gospel Mission

Starlight Casino partnered with Union Gospel Mission in October 2024.

One of the many services that UGM provides is home-cooked meals to those in need. For Thanksgiving, Starlight Casino donated one holiday meal on behalf of each employee they have – that was a total of 511 meals!

