



Syétsem tl'a Sxexelhnát

News of the Week

Monday, October 05, 2026



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INTRODUCING

Ta S7ulh Skwelkwálwen
kwi Esch'éch'ewát

Strategic Plan 2026-2030

**Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw (Squamish Nation)
Nexwsxwníwntm ta Úxwumixw (Council) recently
approved our new Strategic Plan to guide our
Nation for the next four years.**

The four priorities of our Strategic Plan, 2026–2030 sets
out where the Nation is going for the next four years.

Each of the four clear priorities is supported with
objectives that can be measured and commitments
shared with Community.

A full version of the Strategic Plan is available to
Skwxwú7mesh Members on our website.

**Read the Strategic Plan
and Learn More:**





October
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To sign up for programs
Evangeline 672-335-0817 | Bo Baker 236-668-9669

Elders Centre
604-987-4646 and 672-335-0817.



Are you interested in submitting a Resolution for the Annual General Meeting?
This is your chance to help shape decisions for our community.

- A resolution is:
- ✓ A way to propose changes, ideas, or actions on issues important to the Nation.
 - ✓ A way to clearly share your priorities and concerns with Council.
 - ✓ A formal statement that must be voted on at the People's Assembly.

We're looking forward to celebrating the hard work of our members who previously brought forward resolutions. At this year's Annual General Meeting (AGM), members will vote on six resolutions from the 2026 People's Assemblies.

- Under the Election and Referendum Law, the three conditions must be met for a resolution to be voted on at the AGM:
1. A previous People's Assembly (including an AGM) must have passed a resolution agreeing to send the matter to the AGM for a vote.
 2. The notice for the AGM must include the resolution in its agenda.
 3. At the AGM, a majority of eligible voters must vote in favour of the resolution.

If you have a new resolution you would like to bring forward, please note that it will need to go to the 2027 AGM for a second vote before it can be approved.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: October 14, 2026 at 4:30 PM
Must be submitted to resolutions@squamish.net OR dropped off with Chair & Council Office staff at 320 Seymour Boulevard.

Need a copy of the resolution template and writing tips? Contact Chair & Council Office staff at resolutions@squamish.net or by phone at 604-980-4553.



Official Notice

Annual General Meeting

The third People's Assembly of the year is the Annual General Meeting.



November 28-29
10 am – 5 pm



Chief Joe Mathias Centre
Totem Hall
Online (Zoom)

Why attend the Annual General Meeting?

- Get involved and stay updated on important information.
- Vote on resolutions and receive updates on previous resolutions from staff.
- Enjoy time with friends and family while discussing our future.
- Your vote matters! Attend and cast your vote on issues that matter to you.

SAVE THE DATE



Gather
Come together as a community to create positive change.



Learn
Get the latest updates on Nation initiatives, finances, and the progress we're making together.



Have Your Say
Share your thoughts and help guide important decisions.

Ta na wa Cheńtm
Chair & Council Office

 320 Seymour Blvd, North Vancouver

 604-980-4553

 cco@squamish.net

Proposed Agenda

Saturday, November 28, 2026

- 
- 10 am

Meeting call to order
Opening Remarks/Procedural Information
- 10:45 am

Final Quorum Count
12% of eligible voters (394 Voters)
- 11 am

Regular Business:
Approval of Agenda
Approval of Minutes
July 26, 2026 People's Assembly

Special Business:
Vote on Draft Resolutions
 - #2026-001: Amendments to the Squamish Nation Membership Code to Reunite the Squamish People
 - #2026-002: Improve Safety with Sidewalks and a Roundabout
 - #2026-003: Amendment to Election Reform Law Part 6
 - #2026-004: Give our Members employed by Squamish Nation a Voice at Peoples Assembly's and AGM Meetings
 - #2026-005: Equity for Off-Reserve Members
 - #2026-006: Elder's Care Facility Needed
Updates on Previous Resolutions
- 5 pm

Meeting Adjourned

Sunday, November 29, 2026

- 
- 10 am

Meeting call to order
Opening Remarks/Procedural Information
- 10:45 am

Final Quorum Count
12% of eligible voters (394 Voters)
- 11 am

Special Business:
2025/2026 Audited Financial Statements Presentation
- 5 pm

Meeting Adjourned



December 2026 Regular Distribution

Nexwsxwníwntm ta Úxwumixw (Council) and Ts'its'ixwnítway (Member Services) would like to update Members on the Squamish Nation Regular Distribution for December 2026.

Thursday, December 3 | Friday, December 4, 2026

8:30 am – 4 pm: Open during lunch hour (12 – 1 pm)

Pick up locations:

Totem Hall

1380 Stawamus Drive
Squamish

Chief Joe Mathias Centre

100 Capilano Road
West Vancouver

Important deadlines

- Direct Deposit updates or changes: **November 6, 2026**
- Mailing address or pick-up updates: **November 10, 2026**

Important dates

- Direct Deposit and ELDERS 65+ DELIVERY: **December 2, 2026**
- BC Canada mail-out: **December 7 and 8, 2026**

Update your information

If any of the following has changed, please contact Member Services:

- Direct deposit banking information
- Mailing address
- Name change
- Change payee
- Birth additions

For questions or to update your personal information, contact Member Services at DB@squamish.net or 604-982-7610.

Please Note: The distribution amount for December 2026 will be communicated in late November. An updated notice will follow.



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Squamish Nation

NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Immunization & Tuberculosis Screening

On the second Tuesday of each month, the Public Health Nurses will be offering drop-in immunizations and tuberculosis screening.

Community Members can also speak with Public Health Nurses and ask any questions surrounding health and wellness.

WHEN: Tuesday, October 13 | 1 - 3 PM

WHERE: 380 Welch Street Unit 9A, West Vancouver

Contact



236-668-9653



www.squamish.net/divisions/people-services/health-wellness





NORTH VAN AND SQUAMISH VALLEY
Starting October 7, every Wednesday

Drop-in Wellness Wednesdays

North Vancouver

CEDAR BRUSHING

Cedar brushing with Judy Bob to support wellness, grounding and balance in a welcoming space.

WHEN: 9:30–11 am

WHERE: Háhalhi7iwan Wellness Building, North Vancouver

Squamish Valley

EAGLE FEATHER BRUSHING

Eagle feather brushing with Aggie and Slomish to support cleansing, grounding and spiritual wellness.

WHEN: 1–3:30 pm

WHERE: Ha7lh skwalwnawtxw Siyích'em, Squamish Valley



People Services Offering Land-Based Medicine Drop-In for North Vancouver

Nexwnínlhewá7nem Ch'áwch'aw (People's Services) is offering land-based medicine drop-ins in North Vancouver.

Stop by to have a consult with Pénemkin (Jared), access traditional and plant-based medicines, or just have cup of tea.

- Every Tuesday | 8:30 am – 4 pm
- Unit #2 – 380 Welch Street

No appointment needed, but please call ahead to let us know you're coming: **778-928-8448**.

For any questions, reach out to Tiffany Leblanc: tiffany_leblanc@squamish.net



After School Program

Kindergarten to Grade 3 & Grades 4-7

Provides extra support to help students grow their reading, writing, and math skills. Students may bring homework, projects, or assignments they are working on.

MONDAYS

Grade 4 to Grade 7

TIME: 3:15 to 5:00 PM
LOCATION: ASA Building, Unit 5,
380 Welch St. West Vancouver
Starts October 19th

THURSDAYS

Kindergarten to Grade 3

TIME: 3:15 to 5:00 PM
LOCATION: ASA Building, Unit 5,
380 Welch St. West Vancouver
Starts October 22nd

Snacks provided

Schedule follows the public school calendar including breaks

Sign-Up and Contact Info

Contact Advocacy, Support & Assessment to sign-up for the program.
Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions:

EMAIL: sn_asa@squamish.net

PHONE: 604-982-7600

Income Assistance Notice

IMPORTANT DATES – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

ACTION PLAN FOR EMPLOYABLE CLIENTS

- Employable clients **must complete an Action Plan with Stitsma Employment monthly.**
- **Please book your appointments in advance** to meet your deadline.
- If you miss the deadline, your cheque will be delayed by 3–10 business days.
- **No monthly check-in = No cheque.**

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT

- Provide your **Notice of Assessment for 2024, 2023, and 2022.**
- **IA requires a copy for your file**, which you will receive by mail or online after filing your taxes
- **File your taxes every year** to confirm eligibility for IA.

ANNUAL RENEWAL

- Ensure your **Annual Renewal** is completed each year.
- Contact your worker to complete this process.

BILLS

- **Send your BC Hydro & Fortis bills** as soon as you receive them.

Update your worker with any changes to **Identification, Address, Phone Number**, when your child turns 18/19, if expecting a child, or when you turn 64/65.

*Tell your worker if someone moves in or out of your household. This affects your bills/rent. If there are changes, **fill out a new Occupancy Form***

MONTHLY DECLARATIONS 2026

- Declaration Week is now **1 day** per month.
- **Declarations must be submitted IN PERSON** at Eslha7an Learning Center.
- **Late submissions may DELAY benefit payments by 3–10 business days.**

DECLARATION WEEK	CHEQUE ISSUE DATE
Oct 14	Oct 26
Nov 10	Nov 25
Dec 2	Dec 30

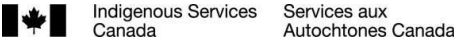
CLIENT APPOINTMENTS

- **NO WALK-INS – Please book an appointment with the receptionist.**
- Appointments will be scheduled at the **earliest available time.**

Please contact the Income Assistance team for any further questions.

Phone: 604-988-8807 / Fax: 604-998-8917

E-mail: income_assistance@squamish.net



SOCIAL ASSISTANCE MONTHLY RENEWAL DECLARATION **FOR: November 2026 >>555**
Cheque issue date is Wed. October 26 – November issue.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT Provision of the information requested on this document is voluntary and is being collected in order to make a fair decision. The information will be stored in personal information bank INAI.P-PU-020 and is protected under the provisions of the Privacy Act.

1. Are you still in need of Social Assistance? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

2. Has your marital or employment situation changed? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

If **YES**, explain change _____

MANDATORY: Current Address _____ Current Phone # _____

List any changes in your living situation _____

If you do not hand in your **Declaration** on ... **Wednesday, October 14, 2026.** You will **NOT** receive your **Cheque** on **Wed. October 26th.** **Late Declaration** means, late cheque

4. Have you had any earned or unearned ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** **Income this month?**
If yes, completed ➡

➡ Earnings	\$
➡ Family Allowance	\$
➡ Maintenance	\$
➡ Employment Insurance	\$
➡ Other (specify)	\$
TOTAL ➡	\$

5. Has there been any change in your assets? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**
If yes, complete ➡

➡ Bank Account	\$
➡ Property	\$
➡ Other (specify)	\$
TOTAL ➡	\$

6. Is there any change in your number of dependents or their school status? **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

If **Yes**, explain the change(s) _____

I declare that this is a true statement concerning my monthly income, assets, marital, employment, and family status. I give permission for this information to be verified and I consent to a report being obtained from any reporting agency for that purpose.

Status Number

Signature of applicant

Date

*****PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT YOUR NAME HERE:** _____

*** **Worker Initials:** _____ **Signature of Spouse:** _____

*****PLEASE CLEARLY PRINT YOUR NAME HERE** _____

Please remember that you cannot drop off your Declaration early, unless there is an emergency. If you Declaration/Job Search is late, so is your cheque. **Declare all Earnings, Family Allowance, DB, GST, Maintenance and other monies received. Also any changes to address and family unit size.**

ALL CLIENTS MUST BRING IN PERSON ESLHA7AN LEARNING CENTRE

New Job Postings

Squamish Nation

Program Officer

Term Full-Time | Sts'its'áp'newás Employment and Future Skills | North Shore, BC

Health Care Assistant

Permanent Part-Time | Yúustway Health & Wellness | Squamish Valley, BC

Administrative Officer

Permanent Full-Time | Ayás Méhmen Child and Family Support Services | North Shore, BC

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Data and Contract Coordinator

Permanent Full-Time | Lynnwood Marina | North Vancouver, BC

Store Manager

Full-time, 6 Month Term | Squamish Valley Gas Bar | Squamish, BC

Develop your career with the Nation

Questions? Need help applying? 604-985-8335 | careers@squamish.net

Chérchenstway (Human Resources) connects with all Squamish People who apply for positions with Skwxwú7mesh Úxwumixw. We look forward to receiving your application and supporting your professional growth with the Nation.

squamish.net/careers

Nch'kay

Assistant Store Manager

Full-time | Squamish Valley Gas Bar | Squamish, BC

Customer Service Representative

Part-time, Casual | Squamish Valley Gas Bar | Squamish, BC

Social Media and Content Specialist

Permanent Full-Time | Park Royal | West Vancouver, BC

nchkay.com/careers

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