



Shuswap Labour Market Assessment & Action Planning Project Update

October 2017

We are in our last month of community meetings! By October 4th all 6 participating communities will have had the opportunity to review the presentation of their Preliminary Assessment Report. We expect all 24 community meetings will be concluded by November 2. This has meant a significant amount of time and commitment from community members and leaders. It is a privilege to be walking this empowering journey with each community: Adams Lake Indian Band, Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band, Neskonlith Indian Band, Splatsin Indian Band, CSRD Area C and Salmon Arm.

Meetings for Each Community:

1. **Presentation of the Available Data** (Feb/Mar 2017)-**COMPLETED**
2. **Presentation of the Current Data** (Sept 2017)-**COMPLETED**
3. **Brainstorming Possible Strategic Activities** (Sept/Oct 2017; 2.5 hrs, with refreshments)-**IN PROGRESS**
4. **Identifying Priorities & Building an Action Plan** (Oct 2017; 6 hrs, lunch & snacks provided)

Community Members are seeing the Value of this Project.

Getting an invitation to a “Labour Market Meeting” has not been the most exciting invitation you have ever received, we understand! The Shuswap Labour Market Assessment (SLMA) Project Team has shared their insight and enthusiasm over the last 9 months, and we are seeing communities recognize the value in this project and process. Part of having a thriving community includes able members having the opportunity for adequate, meaningful and stable work. Our conversations have been so interesting and involve more than “training” and “job openings”. Shuswap communities have talked about healing, self-worth, school-to-work transitioning, health and wellness, cultural awareness and pride, attainable housing, adequate transportation and more. Strategic activities and the Action Plan will encompass these issues as they pertain to the individual community. The raw data and the Final SLMA report can be utilized to apply for funding for future planning. The information and reports will be available through Community Futures Shuswap.

YOU create the Action Plans that address the unique needs of your community. Comprehensive Community Plans and other community initiatives have been considered and the Action Plans will be created to complement and intersect with these initiatives.

Please mark the dates for your community on your calendar! Your voice and your engagement will contribute to the success of this project, as you work together with your fellow community members to identify the key labour market priorities in your community.

<p>CSRD Area C: Tues. Oct 10, 6-8:30 pm @ Cedar Heights Tues. Oct 17, 9-4 pm @ Sorrento Memorial Hall</p> <p>Adams Lake Indian Band: Wed. Oct 18, 2-4 pm @ TBA Wed. Oct 25, 9-4 pm @ TBA</p> <p>Little Shuswap Lake Indian Band: ACTION PLANNING WORKSHOP Mon. Oct 23, 9-4 pm @ the Hall</p>	<p>Neskonlith Indian Band: Thurs. Oct 26, 12-3 pm @ NIB Band Hall Thurs. Nov 2, 9-4 pm @ NIB Band Hall</p> <p>Splatsin Indian Band: Thurs. Oct 5, 11-1 pm @ Splatsin Centre Wed. Nov 1, 5-8 pm @ Splatsin Centre</p> <p>Salmon Arm: ACTION PLANNING WORKSHOP Labour Market Action Team will organize.</p>
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