



# THE CHAMBER VOICE

NEWSLETTER | FEBRUARY 2019

February

## DINNER MEETING

*HousingHub and Affordable Housing Solutions*

**Tuesday, February 19, 2019**



Shayne Ramsay  
CEO of BC Housing

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Members:  
\$35 + GST  
or  
General admission:  
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Networking: 5:00 pm  
to 6:30 pm (dinner)  
with presentation to  
follow.

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Event payment is due upon registration. No cancellations, refunds or credits  
after 12:00 pm on Monday, February 18, 2019.*



## GET TO KNOW A LANGLEY CHAMBER MEMBER...

### Langley Volunteers

Have you ever seen a need in the community and asked the question 'what can be done to help?'

That's how Langley Volunteers was formed. Community leaders from a dozen organizations across Langley came together to achieve a common goal – bring more opportunities to volunteers in our community.

Our mission is to inspire you to create community connections through volunteer service in Langley. While our purpose is to exist to support anyone who wants to be connected and involved in their neighbourhoods. We bridge the divide of community outreach, providing non-profit agencies with access to committed individuals who can work together to make a real difference.

We know that volunteers are a key group of committed individuals who add immense value to non-profit organizations. Volunteers bring their personal passion and enthusiasm for



the cause, they bring their family and friends into the fold and at times, they contribute financially. We can't operate the breadth of services and programs in Langley's social sector without volunteers. It's that simple.

Since 2016, Langley Volunteers has hosted numerous community volunteer

fairs designed to provide potential volunteers with a face to face opportunity to speak to many of our 63-member organizations. Several successful matches have been created in addition to increased awareness of what volunteers are needed.

The 2018 Rotary RibFest was Langley Volunteers' first foray into managing volunteers for a significant community event. Having been involved at this level, we are proud to say that we are confident in our abilities to assist event organizers in the area of recruitment and scheduling.

We encourage you to join us to stay in touch with opportunities in the Langleys throughout the year. If someone is interested in registering as a volunteer, the process is simple and is done online by visiting [www.langleyvolunteers.ca](http://www.langleyvolunteers.ca).

Good things happen when enthusiastic people come together for a common cause; thank for volunteering!

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# THE VOICE OF BUSINESS



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### Busy spring ahead for chamber with educational events and exchanges

Get ready for a busy spring at the Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce.

Our team has been busy as we kick off 2019, we have several events in the planning stages for the new year, but several of our favourites are back.

Make sure that you have your tickets for our upcoming golf event and watch for some interesting topics coming to our dinner meetings through the coming months.

February's dinner speaker is the CEO of BC Housing, speaking to the issue of affordable housing.

We mark Chamber of Commerce week in February, celebrating that we have for 88 years continued to provide support, educational oppor-

tunities, and a voice to the business community in the Langleys.

We are currently focussing our advocacy efforts on preparation for the BC Chamber AGM, where we will present and lobby on provincial issues that are also a concern to Langley businesses.



We would welcome any input from our membership on issues of concern or specific challenges to business.

Topics currently on our radar: transportation, affordable housing, and provincial tax issues – such as the employee health tax and the new speculation tax.

The 2019 Coffee and Conversation Series has begun! This exceptional series of lunch-hour events will offer

our members a forum to meet in an intimate setting with our local elected officials to create a dialogue on issues integral to the Langley business community – such as economic development, transportation, and the environment.

All our local federal Members of Parliament, provincial MLAs, local mayors, and the chair of Metro Vancouver will be available to meet exclusively with our members during the next six months.

Our first Coffee & Conversation event will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 2 p.m., featuring Township of Langley Mayor Jack Froese.

We are also pleased to be able to present a few special "roundtable" events with federal and provincial ministers that will focus on issues that pertain to the Langleys.

The first minister who we

will be hosting will be the Honourable Francois Philippe Champagne, Minister of Infrastructure and Communities, date to be announced.

Concerning business education, we will be hosting special programs to assist our not-for-profit members, a Lunch & Learn series of business development workshops, and working with partners on upcoming events focussed on affordable housing, cyber-security, and our annual women's event.

With networking in mind, we have scheduled U40 monthly socials and Business After Hours for the spring, as well as complimentary open house networking events to introduce our community directors. A feature networking event for the Chamber is our annual golf tournament to be held June 6 at Redwoods Golf

Course.

Interested in being more involved in your Chamber of Commerce? Please consider joining a committee or perhaps even running for the board of directors at our AGM in September.

If you have any questions regarding our advocacy efforts or on our upcoming events, please check our website at [www.langleychamber.com](http://www.langleychamber.com) or call our office at 604-371-3770.

– Jack Nicholson, President

## UPCOMING CHAMBER EVENTS

### SAVE the date

- Feb. 19 February Dinner Meeting
- Feb. 20 Lunch & Learn
- Feb. 26 Coffee & Conversation Series
- Feb. 27 Lunch & Learn
- March 13 Non-profit Workshop
- June 6 Golf Tournament

## FOR EVENTS/REGISTRATION DETAILS:

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