

Gabriola Health Care Foundation

2021 Annual General Meeting



Health Services Committee

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Mandate

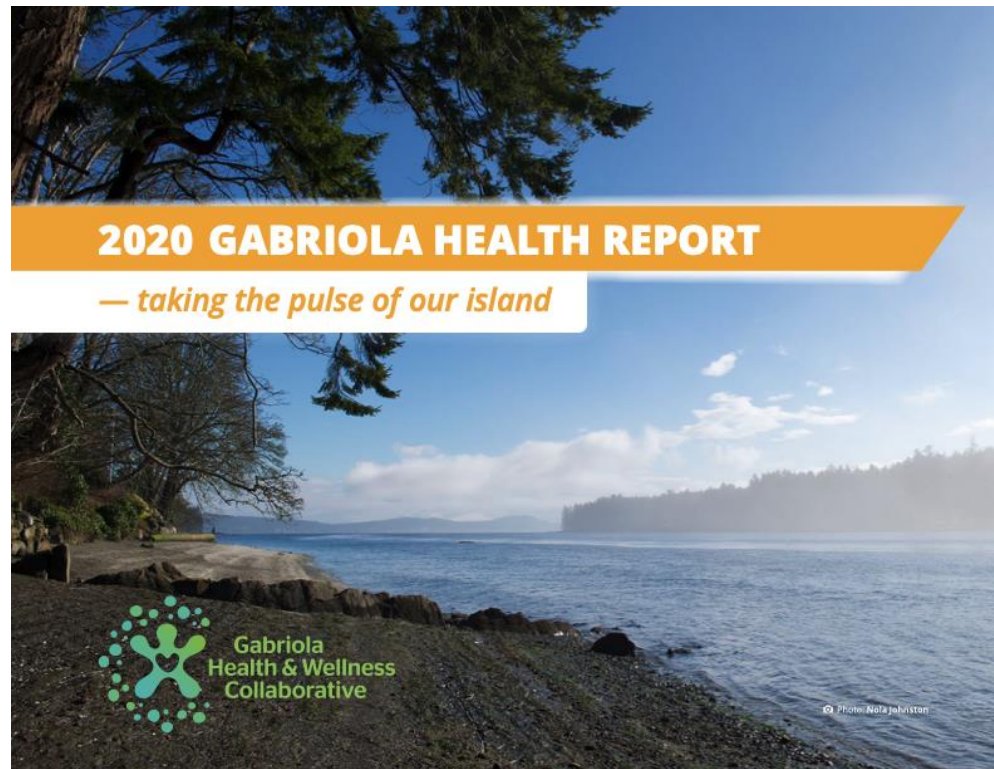
Within the broader context of primary health care, assist the Board in identifying unmet needs of the community and in developing strategies to address them by:

- *Participating in community meetings and events where community health needs are being discussed.*
- *Promoting an understanding of the social determinants of health and engaging with the community, governmental and non-governmental organizations.*
- *Collaborating with local physicians and community partners in health services planning and development.*
- *Making recommendations to the Board regarding disbursement of funds from the Kitty Heller Fund. (The fund was established in 2012 with a bequest from the estate of Kitty Heller to provide support for health programs.)*

GH Health Services Committee

Activities 2020-2021

- The GHCF supported the production of the *2020 Gabriola Health* report through a Kitty Heller Fund grant This was completed and is posted on the Gabriola Health Care Foundation website at <https://www.ghcs.ca/2020-Gabriola-Health-Report.pdf>



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Activities 2020-2021 (continued)

- The single most important project of the Health Services Committee in 2020/2021 as was the production of a video to highlight the findings of the *2020 Gabriola Health Report*. A total of \$7,861.47 was allocated from the Kitty Heller for the coordination, filming and production of the video. A video steering committee with representatives from the Gabriola Health and Wellness Collaborative and the GHCF (Dyan Dunsmoor-Farley, Carol Fergusson, Brenda Fowler, Jennefer Laidley, Vicky Scott, Don Sutherland, Jen Demler and Dave Innell) met on a regular basis to select a production team, prepare a script, review rushes and provide recommendations to the videographer – Tobi Elliot. The final product is posted on the GHCF website at <https://www.ghcs.ca/video-hr.html> .

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Activities 2020-2021 (continued)

- The following notice was posted in the October 6, 2021 edition of the Sounder:

The Gabriola Health and Wellness Collaborative in partnership with the Gabriola Health Care Foundation is excited to announce the release of the Gabriola Health Report video. This video reveals challenges to Gabriolans' quality of life as well as the creative solutions being employed to improve health, wellbeing and life chances for all Gabriolans. Learn surprising facts and hear local stories about health services, housing, economics, income and food security, environmental conservation and other vital concerns. The video provides a bird's eye view of the rich, complex fabric of life on Gabriola. Capturing the full context and nuance of life in this community which would require a full-length movie.

Discover ways that you can support positive health outcomes for Gabriola. The video is available at: <https://www.ghcs.ca/video-hr.html> and the Health Report at: <https://ghcf.ca/2020-Gabriola-Health-Report.pdf> .

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The Health Services Committee also has representation on the Gabriola Health & Wellness Collaborative (GHWC) and HUB Group

- The **GHWC**, established in 2016 is a voluntary network of organizations that come together for action on issues that affect the health and wellness of the Gabriola community.
- The GHWC is an important partner to help the Foundation to address its primary care access mandate.
- A “Hub Group” is a subcommittee of the GHWC, consisting of representatives from approximately 20 member-organizations that meet monthly to coordinate the activities of the GHWC.

Mission

- “To create opportunities among the GHWC members for mutual support, shared advocacy and improved use of funding resource to improve health outcomes for all Gabriolans.”

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The Gabriola Health & Wellness Collaborative Activities reported by members for this year include:

- “COVID – Beyond Recovery” Survey for Gabriola –in August 2020, with a satisfactory number of responses (about 360, i.e. about 10% of adult population).
- **Mudge Island Citizens Society received a gaming grant for maintenance of their fire equipment.**
- **Free smoke detectors made available for older homes (not new builds); masks with GVFD logo are available at North Road Sports.**
- Efforts underway to enable Gabriola to apply for establishment as a Primary Care Network, (a “PCN”) (similar to the Oceanside PCN and Nanaimo PCN), as part of the BC government’s model of delivering primary health care.
- Funding received to renovate the old Fire Hall #1 to house the GERTIE buses and related equipment.
- Central Vancouver Island Community Health Network (CHN): Is now a broad network, instead of separate CHN’s for Nanaimo, Oceanside, and Gabriola.

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Thank you for participating!

