



Community News

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Transit Safety in Renfrew-Collingwood

On Victoria Day, I held a press conference at Nanaimo SkyTrain station to once again call attention to TransLink's inaction on making the Skytrain system safer for all of us who work and live in Renfrew-Collingwood. Another attack took place at Nanaimo Station last month.

It is critical that the Provincial Government and TransLink act now to ensure the safety of those of us who live and work in this city, and use the SkyTrain system to get around. Many of you have come by my office or called in to offer your support for this continued campaign, and I appreciate your support. To sign our petition, or pick up a copy to circulate amongst your friends and family, stop by my Community Office at 5022 Joyce St., just north of Joyce-Collingwood SkyTrain station.

10 Point Skytrain Safety Plan

We demand that the immediate steps be take to:

1. Increase the number of Skytrain police by 50%, with the goal of having one live security person or SkyTrain attendant at every SkyTrain station while the line is operating.
2. Provide additional after-hours security at all stations.
3. Place primary focus on security rather than fare evasion.
4. Build new turnstiles now with direct grant from provincial Government rather than re-directing Translink resources to private sector scheme.
5. Implement a pilot walk-home project for at least five high-risk stations.
6. Ensure that all security cameras are functional at all times, are monitored, and, until all cameras are switched to digital, that all tapes are not erased for a reasonable period of time.
7. Conduct a full review of lighting at and around SkyTrain stations and the BC Parkway.
8. Increase sponsorship of community gardens and other amenities at SkyTrain stations, and also expand the Joyce-Collingwood pink-whistle program.
9. Support the bus drivers' campaign to implement stiffer criminal penalties for attacks on transit personnel.
10. Restore support for victim's services, anti-violence against women programs, and women's centres.

Community Events

Trout Lake Farmer`s Market

Every Saturday, from now until October, the Trout Lake Farmers' Market is open from 9 am to 2 pm. Browse local farmers' and craftspeople's offerings on a beautiful Saturday morning.

July 1 Youth Celebrate Canada Day

Organized by students from Windermere Secondary School, I'd like to encourage everyone to join me at Renfrew Park Community Centre for Canada.

Community Announcements

Congratulations to Gladstone and Windermere Graduating Students

June is one of the most exciting months of the year at Gladstone and Windermere High Schools, especially for the annual graduating class. It is my pleasure to sponsor an annual scholarship in my name at each school for graduating students who are pursuing post-secondary education, and I am always happy to attend the graduation ceremonies each year. Congratulations to all 2008 grads, and good luck in all your future endeavors!

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