SNAPSHOT OF HERITAGE CONSERVATION IN 2018

This year, the survey was sent to 63 of the 190 BC governments according to a six-year distribution system. This system divides the governments into three groups based on population:

- Governments with a population over 80,000 are asked to respond every year;
- Governments with populations between 10,000 and 80,000 are asked to respond every three years;
- Governments with populations under 10,000 are asked to respond every six years.

The 2018 survey was completed by 41 local governments. This has been extrapolated to represent the approximate responses from 190 local governments. The extrapolated data is presented in this report, providing a snapshot of heritage conservation throughout British Columbia in 2018.

Planning Documents
It is estimated 77 planning documents were created in 2018.

- 17 Heritage Design Guidelines
- 12 Conservation Plans
- 16 Heritage Strategic Plans
- 8 Heritage Context Studies
- 4 Heritage Feasibility Studies
- 8 Heritage Values Workshops
- 2 Heritage Tourism Plans
- 10 Other
Heritage Protection

Approximately 1492 historic places are reported to have heritage designation protection. 22 historic places were designated in 2018.

- 32 Heritage Conservation Areas are reported to exist.
- 133 Alteration permits issued in 2018.
- 3 Heritage Covenants were made.
- 4 Heritage Revitalization Agreements were made.

Community Heritage Registers

APPROXIMATELY 5,948 HISTORIC PLACES are registered by local governments.

- 2309 historic places are fully documented for the BC Register of Historic Places.
- 39% of 2309 historic places are fully documented for the BC Register of Historic Places.

Heritage Promotion and Interpretation by Local Governments

- 49 local governments feature heritage content on their websites.
- 26 local governments feature information about heritage registers on their websites.
- 13 local governments installed interpretive and commemorative signs and plaques in 2018.
- 25 local governments produced printed heritage-related materials.
- 65 local governments supported or produced heritage content on their websites, information about heritage registers on their websites, interpretive and commemorative signs and plaques in 2018, printed heritage-related materials, activities and events celebrating heritage.
TAX INCENTIVES
to owners of residential or commercial heritage properties.

8 local governments forgave $3.15M in taxes
This generated $5.77M in total private investment
183% RETURN ON INVESTMENT

GRANTS TO OWNERS
of heritage properties.

13 local governments provided $900K in grants to owners of heritage properties
This resulted in $2.3M in reported private investment
256% RETURN ON INVESTMENT

OTHER HERITAGE CONSERVATION INCENTIVES

6 local governments contributed $300K in other incentives, such as providing advice, waiving fees, and transferring density
The resulting reported private investment is $104M
34,662% RETURN ON INVESTMENT

Projects Assisted by Incentives

36 local governments assisted
Heritage Preservation, Rehabilitation, Restoration projects

4 local governments assisted
Research and Documentation

5 local governments assisted
Heritage Awareness or Promotion

www.heritagebc.ca/resources
71 local governments own 366 historic places. The local governments report spending $11.6 MILLION on preservation, rehabilitation and restoration costs.

$6.5 MILLION estimated earnings from heritage properties that are used for revenue generation by their local governments.

Heritage Property Usage
Local governments produce revenue through these sources:

- **6** local governments
- **21** local governments
- **43** local governments
- **8** local governments

- **Commercial**
- **Not for Profit**
- **Public Spaces**
- **Other Purposes**

20 local governments reported working with First Nations governments on heritage conservation matters in 2018

97 Official Community Plans are estimated to contain wording about heritage conservation

49 local governments are estimated to have Heritage Commissions or similar entities