

Age-friendly British Columbia

Alert Bay

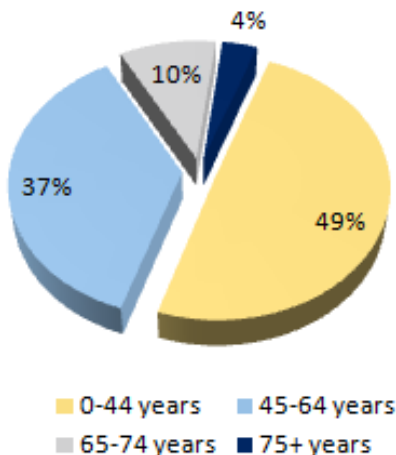
The Community

The Village of Alert Bay, located on Cormorant Island off the northeastern coast of Vancouver Island, was one of two small, rural and remote communities from B.C. to participate in Canada's *Age-Friendly Rural and Remote Communities: A Guide*. To learn more about Alert Bay visit www.alertbay.ca



Facts*

- Total Municipal Population: 556
- Island Population: 1200**
- Alert Bay/ᑕᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎ First Nation has 210 residents between age 45 – 64 (37% of the population)
- Projected significant growth in older adults over the next 20 years



*Statistics provided by BCStats, 2006

**Island Population provided by the Village of Alert Bay

Age-friendly Achievements

Outdoor Spaces & Buildings

- Constructed public benches where seniors have identified a need.



Respect & Social Inclusion

- Older adult issues informed the Official Community Plan (OCP).

Transportation

- Purchased an accessible van which services Alert Bay, the ᑕᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎ First Nation and neighbouring communities.



Communication & Information

- Produced an information brochure outlining for seniors all services available in the region.

In the ongoing spirit of the Alert Bay Accord, the Village of Alert Bay and the ᑕᑎᑎᑎᑎᑎ First Nation have worked together on aging and disability issues within their communities, focusing on mutual concerns and ongoing partnerships.

For more information on creating an age-friendly community visit: www.seniorsbc.ca/agefriendly or email AgefriendlyBC@gov.bc.ca