

Generous donations from locals boost Kinsol Trestle Campaign

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Longtime Cowichan Valley community supporter Glen Harper has helped the Kinsol Trestle Campaign move one step closer to its \$2 million fundraising goal with a donation of \$5,000. It's his second donation and pushes his total to \$6,000.

"Egypt has the pyramids; Canada has the Kinsol Trestle. When it's completed, it's going to be a huge tourist attraction," Harper said when asked about his generous donation.

"Thousands of people will come to our area to walk across this Trestle each year. It's going to be a significant economic boost to the Cowichan Valley."

Duncan Mayor Phil Kent has also stepped up, making a personal donation to the Kinsol Campaign during the recent Kinsol Open House at the BC Forestry Discovery Centre.

"These generous donations are very good news for this project," said Jack Peake, Chair of the Cowichan Foundation's Kinsol Capital Campaign.

"Thanks to locals like Glen and community leaders like Phil, displaying their leadership and enthusiasm for the Kinsol project, we will complete the fundraising and the final goal of fully rehabilitating this Cowichan Valley treasure.

The overall budget target for the rehabilitation project is now set at \$7.5 million. With Trestle rehabilitation construction set to begin soon, the campaign team is moving their efforts into high gear to raise the final dollars for the project. The Kinsol Trestle has already caught the imaginations of many in the community.

How You Can Help

If you want to step up like Glen and Phil to support the Kinsol Trestle rehabilitation project, there are a number of ways to do it.

- **ONLINE** -- Donate online and make a one-time or monthly donation by visiting our website at www.kinsol.ca and clicking on the Donate Now button.

- **BY PHONE** -- Call the Campaign office at 250-709-1087 and use your credit card.

- **IN PERSON** -- We'd love to see you. Our office is located at 135 Third St. (off Canada Avenue) in Duncan.

- **SEND A CHEQUE** -- Mail to: Kinsol Trestle Campaign, 135 Third Street, Duncan, B.C. V9L 1R9

- **TAX RECEIPTS** -- All donations over \$25 will receive a tax receipt in the mail. For gifts under \$25, a receipt will only be mailed on request, in order to reduce administration costs.

Add Your Name to the Donor Wall

Donations to the Kinsol Trestle will be recognized in various ways, depending on the amount of the donation. There are five special recognition categories: Trestle Pioneers (\$100,000 and up); Trestle Trailblazers (\$10,000 to \$100,000); Trestle Engineers (\$1,000 to \$10,000); Friends of the Trestle (\$100 to \$1,000); and Supporters of the Trestle (up to \$100).

Every donor is recognized on the virtual Donors Wall at www.kinsol.ca. Pioneers, Trailblazers, Engineers and Friends will also be included on the permanent Donor Wall at the Kinsol Trestle. In addition, donors will be recognized in local advertisements, invited to special events during the campaign and invited to the official Reopen the Trestle ceremony planned for next June.