



enhance
WEST VAN

GIVING GUIDE

**Do Your Part.
*Build a Legacy.***



Why Your Donation Matters

Your contribution makes West Vancouver a better, more inclusive community. Your support helps us:

- Enhance community programs and recreation services
- Support physical, mental, and social well-being
- Reduce isolation and help people feel connected
- Inspire others to get involved in strengthening community life

Giving also *feels good!* All financial contributions are 100 percent tax deductible.



About Enhance West Van

Enhance West Van has been enriching community life since 2009 by funding programs, services, and equipment at the West Vancouver Community Centre, Aquatic Centre, and Ice Arena. As a community-driven charitable organization, we focus on creating meaningful opportunities for people of all ages and abilities. Through fundraising, donor support, and partnerships across our community, we deliver enhanced programs that improve well-being, foster inclusion, and strengthen the social fabric of West Vancouver.

As a registered charity, **100% of the funds raised support programs and the work that Enhance West Van does to build a stronger community.**

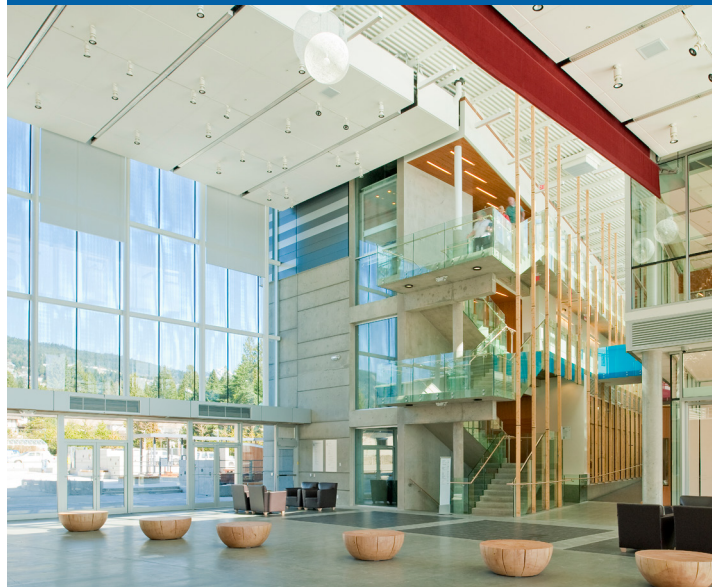
"Thank you for bringing this program to our community. I no longer feel alone. It changed my life."

PARTICIPANT,
CANCER THRIVERS PROGRAM

What Your Gift Supports

You may direct your gift to an area of passion or allow us to use it where it's needed most. Recently supported programs include:

- Cancer Thrivers Program
- Movement Therapy for Children and Youth with Disabilities
- Introduction to Hockey for Kids with Autism
- Youth Crisis Fund
- Welcoming and Inclusive Communities Program
- Summer Camp Inclusion Program
- Summer Work Experience and Adventure Program for Youth





Ways to Give

1. One-Time or Monthly Donations

Support programs year-round and create lasting impact in our community.

2. Buy a Brick - Leave a Legacy

Create a lasting memory of someone special with an engraved brick displayed at the entrance of the community centre.



3. Gifts in Kind

Donating publicly traded securities, mutual funds, or bonds provides significant tax advantages. As a registered charity, any capital gains triggered by donating these assets have a **0% inclusion rate**, avoiding a looming tax liability for assets with a low cost base.

4. Real Estate

Real estate can be donated to Enhance West Van. We recommend donors speak with an estate lawyer before proceeding.

5. Bequests in Your Will

You may designate a specific amount, a particular asset, or a percentage of your estate to Enhance West Van. A bequest allows you to leave a legacy aligned with your values, often while providing tax benefits to your estate.

"My son's balance, focus and gross motor skills have improved. He can now play with the children at school."

PARENT, MOVEMENT MHERAPY PROGRAM

6. Life Insurance

You can name Enhance West Van as the beneficiary of a life insurance policy. This may generate a tax receipt for annual premiums or the full cash value of an existing policy.

7. RRSP / RRIF Gifts

Naming Enhance West Van as a beneficiary of your RRSP or RRIF provides your estate with a charitable tax receipt, reducing taxes owing on final filing.

8. Sponsorships

Businesses can support community impact by sponsoring:

- PumpkinFest, our largest annual community fundraiser
- Forum for Dialogue & Learning community conversations
- Specific programs or equipment

Sponsors receive visibility and recognition, strengthening both community connection and brand presence.

9. Grants & Foundations

We gratefully acknowledge local, provincial and national foundations who partner with us to deliver essential community programming.



Our Supporters

We proudly recognize businesses, families, and individuals who donate above a designated threshold on our donor wall.



How to Donate

Visit enhancewestvan.ca/donations

Call **604-921-3493**

Email enhancewestvan@westvancouver.ca

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Cheques can be made out to

Enhance West Van



"Society grows great when citizens plant trees whose shade they shall never sit in."

Your generosity today
helps support others tomorrow.