

# Sustainability is our future

District of Maple Ridge  British Columbia, Canada

2006  
CITIZENS  
REPORT





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## Message from the Mayor of Maple Ridge

**O**n behalf of Council, I present our 2006 Citizens Report for the District of Maple Ridge. It provides an overview of the past year featuring financial information, department highlights and accomplishments and other important information about our community. Council in its first full year of its three-year mandate identified the following areas that needed particular focus.



Gordy Robson, Mayor

- Partnering with an environmental organization to plant 300,000 trees to help neutralize green house gas emissions
- Replacing one-third of the municipal small vehicle fleet with hybrids, which use a combination of petrol and electricity to increase efficiency and thereby reduce emissions
- Passing a Pesticides Bylaw intended to significantly reduce the use of non-essential pesticides, and

### **Establishing a Long-Term Vision for the Community**

The critical first step in establishing a long-term vision for Maple Ridge was accomplished with the adoption by Council of the Official Community Plan (OCP) in November 2006. Next steps will involve developing an Agricultural Plan and updating our Zoning Bylaw. Now the groundwork is done to go forward and build an exciting and sustainable future for the community. This includes a well-planned transportation network which is central to building this vision.

- Encouraging Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) by providing financial incentives for developers to incorporate “green” building technology in the downtown.

Our commitment to think global and act local will ensure environmental issues are considered as Council delivers on its mandate.

### **Enhancing the Safety and Vitality of the Downtown**

Council’s vision for Maple Ridge is a strong, vibrant downtown that is the heart and soul of the community. It is working on several fronts to make this a reality including creating incentives for developers and supporting the formation of a Business Improvement Association led by downtown property owners. Further initiatives include the development of a Town Centre Plan and a parking strategy. Collaboration between RCMP, Municipal staff and community agencies will help achieve a safe and vibrant downtown.

### **Social Issues and Community Standards**

Maple Ridge has a very active and committed social network. This network in the past year, with municipal support and involvement, has achieved a great deal including obtaining \$1.2 million for community projects, implementing the Matrix 1 Project to help young people with addictions and working hard to eliminate homelessness in the community.

### **Finding Ways to Pay for it All**

Maple Ridge will experience continued growth and therefore, Council will work hard to find new sources of revenue. An aggressive capital works program will lead to an investment of almost \$100 million dollars in the municipality. This ambitious and exciting capital plan will be funded through economic growth, not through increasing the burden on the taxpayer.

### **Building Relationships**

All of the success to date has been due to defining a vision, hard work, and building strong relationships. Members of Council and staff have worked towards a vision that will benefit our present and future citizens. Our continued commitment to work with community groups, First Nations, government agencies, businesses and citizens of Maple Ridge is building a strong, healthy and sustainable community.

### **Enhancing the Environment**

During the first year of its mandate, Maple Ridge Council has already achieved a great deal related to the environment including:

- Developing policies to reduce and lessen the effects of climate change

There is still much to accomplish in the years ahead. Members of Maple Ridge Council and District employees are up to the challenge. I encourage your comments and participation.

Gordy Robson  
Mayor

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Message from the  
Chief Administrative Officer

I am very pleased to present our 2006 Citizens Report on behalf of all employees at the District of Maple Ridge. Maple Ridge is a vibrant and dynamic community and is one of the fastest growing municipalities in British Columbia. The community provides a wonderful quality of life which is the envy of many. Our ongoing challenge is to manage this rapid growth and balance the social, economic, and environmental goals of the community.

2006 was an extremely busy and productive year.

**Highlights and accomplishments in 2006 were:**

- Official Community Plan Adopted November 14, 2006
- Good progress made related to enhancing the livability of Maple Ridge's Downtown area including:
  - The start of 1,500 new residential units
  - Introduction of new tax incentives for eligible properties in the Downtown, based on density and sustainable development principles
  - Apartment and townhome construction is up dramatically since 2005
  - Commenced renovations on the Randy Herman Centre for Community Safety which will house some RCMP services, volunteers, youth diversion, bylaws, and social planning
- Taking a more aggressive stance on substance abuse related issues:
  - Developed a Substance Misuse Prevention Plan
  - District participation on the Mayor's Meth Task Force
  - Worked with community agencies and actively pursued senior government funding for addictions, rehabilitation and housing resulting in a decrease in the number of homeless in Maple Ridge
- Film and permit values are up over 100% from 2005
- A number of new environmental initiatives were introduced including:
  - Replacing one-third of the District's vehicle fleet with hybrid vehicles
  - Hiring a new Environmental Planner
  - Updating the District's Watercourse Protection Bylaw
  - Introducing a Pesticides Control Bylaw limiting the use of cosmetic pesticides



Jim Rule, CAO

- Maple Ridge was the first municipality to join the Community Ecosystem Restoration Initiative (CERI) program, an initiative designed to restore degraded ecosystems, and at the same time, help combat climate change. At the end of 2006, 25,000 trees had been planted under the program. Restorations requiring a total of over 261,558 trees will complete implementation of the project
- A major development was proposed by TransLink, Coast Mountain Bus Company and the British Columbia Institute of Technology to be housed in Maple Ridge. The facility, if approved, will provide a bus maintenance and transportation training centre.

**Major items to watch for in 2007:**

- A plan for dealing with Municipal lands in Silver Valley will be developed and implemented in cooperation with the Corporate Management Team
- We will continue to work with RCMP headquarters on making changes in policing that make sense, and will work with the local RCMP detachment to implement the police master plan
- Finalization of the Transportation Plan including the Light Rapid Transit route
- Implementation of a Gravel strategy on Municipal Lands
- A number of studies will be undertaken and plans implemented including: Safer City, Transportation Plan, safety review of the 224 Street corridor in partnership with ICBC, downtown streetscape standards, long-term infrastructure plan, and Drainage Utility
- We will be assisting with the development of a new animal shelter and corresponding new animal services business plan
- The Official Community Plan implementation, training and interpretation will begin including the establishment of an Agricultural Advisory Committee to commence work on the Agricultural Plan
- \$29 million in new capital projects will get underway and will be worked on over the next four years
- A new District website will be unveiled.

I would like to thank Council, our employees and the many volunteers who make this community such a wonderful place to live, work, and play.

J.L. (Jim) Rule  
Chief Administrative Officer

## Community Development, Parks & Recreation Services



*"Maple Ridge is an exciting and wonderful place. On one side of us we have the Fraser River while on the other we get to look upon the Golden Ears Mountains. In between, there is so much to experience. We are culturally vibrant and active. Our volunteers add tremendously to the quality of our community, a community that is evolving into one of the most desirable in the Greater Vancouver area."*

— **Mike Murray, General Manager**



Mike Murray,  
General Manager

**T**he Parks and Leisure Services Commission, the Social Planning Committee and the Advisory Committee on Accessibility Issues have again had a very productive and successful year. These volunteers give much of their time and expertise by representing the community on important issues from reviewing park development plans to developing substance abuse prevention strategies.

### Recreation

The Recreation Department provides recreational opportunities for both Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows citizens. Programs and facilities include aquatics, fitness, arts, health related drop-in programs, skating, youth outreach initiatives, outdoor recreation opportunities, and special events. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements among others:

- Recorded 434,000 facility admissions, 18,507 program registrations and 73,000 youth drop-in hours
- Facilitated the development of business plans for sixteen community groups and organizations
- Supported over thirty special events which together drew over 124,500 people
- Coordinated a successful Volunteer Week with a diversity of events and activities
- Developed an equipment replacement plan for Leisure Centre and Greg Moore Youth Centre
- Hosted the Provincial Rhythmic Gymnastics Championships
- Introduced Healthy Choice program in vending machines in a number of recreation facilities
- Provided low cost access to recreation services to 1,876 participation program clients.

### Parks

The Parks Department maintains a total of 228.5 hectares of parkland including seasonal displays throughout Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows. The Department also maintains landscaped boulevards, park sites, playgrounds, soccer fields, ball diamonds, cemeteries, major trail systems, tennis and sport courts, and administers the lease for the Maple Ridge Golf Course. In 2006 the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements among others:

- Completed construction of tennis courts at Maple Ridge Secondary School
- Completed construction of the Lacrosse Box at Maple Ridge Secondary School
- Replaced Maple Ridge Kinsmen Spray Park
- Installed tennis court lights at Thomas Haney Secondary School
- Partnered with School District No. 42 on their Vandalism hotline
- Completed construction of the Westview Artificial Turf Sports Field.

### The Arts

The Arts Council and Art Gallery Society successfully completed the third full year of their contracts with the Commission for operation of the Arts Centre and Theatre with over 41,000 ticket sales, 10,266 visits to the Art Gallery, 4,093 arts program registrations and a budget surplus. In 2006, the Department also achieved the following key projects and enhancements in collaboration with the Arts Council and Maple Ridge Historic Society:

- Art Gallery and Arts Council merger
- Maple Ridge Museum design
- Renewed the Artist in Residence contract
- Developed the Public Arts Policy.

**Social Planning**

Social planning builds and strengthens community. Particular attention is paid to social impacts on individuals, families and the community at-large as a result of broader social, economic, political, and cultural forces in society. Working with a network of human service organizations and systems, social planning involves advocating for the development of essential community and social supports. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements among many others:

- Supported various community groups’ funding applications to senior levels of government to address community social priorities resulting in approximately \$1.2M in funded projects including the provision of homeless outreach workers and the operation of the Iron Horse Youth Safe House
- Managed the development of the Substance Misuse Prevention Task Force Action Plan and associated projects including the Matrix Model project
- Introduced the Community Spirit Awards and the first Good Business Awards.

**General Government Properties**

In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements among many others:

- Installed an energy efficient replacement boiler in the Leisure Center
- Implemented a light bulb/tube replacement program for major municipal buildings
- Completed over 1,200 District work requests.

**Emergency Preparedness**


The Maple Ridge Emergency Program had an especially busy year in 2006. Perhaps the most dramatic moments took place when the wind and rain storms struck in November and December leaving quite a bit of damage throughout the District. The storm events were severe enough to have activated the District’s Emergency Operations Centre (EOC). The EOC is activated when the Municipal Manager deems an event serious enough to call together a broad range of resources such as police, fire, municipal works yard operations, and other emergency services. This group of agencies assemble and then coordinate their efforts to respond to the District’s immediate needs in the event of a high-level emergency or disaster. The late fall storm events were an example of when an EOC is activated and when coordinating efforts can produce positive results.

Training of emergency responders, both paid municipal and agency employees and community volunteers goes on year-round. Some of the training that took place included: Emergency Evacuation, Emergency Operations Level 2, Communicating in a Crisis and Emergency Management for Senior Administrators. Besides the fall storms when some of these skills were put to the test, emergency services personnel also had the opportunity to participate in two table-top exercises. One was a mock rail incident while the other involved flooding.

An Emergency Program Assistant who also acts as the Director of Emergency Social Services was hired. This position is responsible for developing emergency social services plans, coordinating facility and resource requirements, and recruiting and training volunteers in order that essential services can be provided to evacuees and response workers in an emergency.

Other activities the Emergency Program was involved with included:

- Developed a West Nile Virus Communications Plan
- Prepared a Disaster Debris Response Plan
- Participated in several community events including the Home Show, Webster’s Corners Day, and Hammond Days
- Prepared and distributed District Employee Personal Preparedness Kits
- Attended to a number of Level I (Personal Disaster Assistance) emergency incidents.



Mike Murray  
*General Manager:*  
*Community Development, Parks & Recreation Services*





*"Maple Ridge continues to demonstrate its commitment and expertise in financial management as demonstrated by the District again being awarded both the Canadian Award for Financial Reporting and the Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting. This is the 16th and 10th year in a row respectively that the District has been bestowed this honour."*  
— **Paul Gill, General Manager**



Paul Gill  
General Manager

The Division consists of three departments: Clerk's, Finance, and Information Services. We also provide support to the RCMP, Police Services, and the Fire Department and are responsible for maintaining and improving the website.

### **Clerk's**

The Clerk's Department works with Council to make sure that municipal business is done in an open and transparent way. Council meeting agendas and minutes are available in a timely manner at municipal hall or on the Clerk's Department section of the District's website. The District's switchboard provides exemplary and award-winning customer service as the place where citizens can turn to in order to find the services that they require. The Clerk's Department also oversees property assets of the municipality. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Prepared agendas and minutes for 62 Council meetings (Open and Closed), 22 Committee of the Whole meetings, 36 Council Workshops, 13 Public Hearings, 140 Advisory Committee meetings, and five meetings of Maple Ridge Municipal Holdings Ltd.
- Received 29 Freedom of Information Access Requests that were processed under the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act. All applicants received a preliminary response within five days, 28 were completed within 30 days and one was withdrawn
- Provided Public Liaison Officer, Risk Management and Document Unit Coordinator support to the Emergency Operations Centre including participating in a mock exercise and attending an emergency evacuation seminar
- Relocated Records Centre within the Randy Herman Centre for Community Safety Building
- Reviewed the list of bylaws to ensure relevancy
- Presented the 1st annual in-house legal seminar

- Conducted a Freedom of Information seminar for senior managers
- Completed Albion Dyking District Pump Station repair
- Assumed role as the staff liaison for management of the Maple Ridge Business Centre
- Processed 32 new insurance claims
- Reviewed insurance coverage for volunteers to ensure adequate coverage is in place.

### **Finance**

The Finance Department provides financial services through cooperative interaction with customers, and co-workers within a framework of shared values. In 2006 the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Two staff completed the Certified General Accountants program and obtained professional designation
- Implemented department restructure recognizing four key functions — Revenue & Collections, Accounting, Financial Planning and Business Systems
- 2005 Audit completed with "clean" opinion to Council before summer
- Developed financial plan that begins to address the financial requirements of funding in line with the District's Financial Sustainability Policy
- Completed banking services request for proposal resulting in a further five-year contract with current provider which included more favourable interest rates and service fees than our current agreement
- Financial management of Maple Ridge Municipal Holdings including execution of plan to convert MCAP debt to Municipal Finance Authority annual debt servicing with payments being locked in for the next 20 years. The debt payments are about \$55,000 less per year than current debt
- Worked with other departments to assess internal controls and provide recommendations for process improvements
- 25,256 tax folios billed for total of \$84 million. 93% collected with all processing completed by fifth business day after due date.



**Information Services**

The Information Services (I.S.) Department is responsible for managing the District's corporate computing assets. These assets, and the business software systems that run on them, include the telephone, radio and email systems, District Website, networks and servers, and staff workstations.

I.S. Department staff provides a variety of services. Such services include technical assistance for hardware, software assistance for users, managing database assets, digital mapping support, security for computing assets, and project management and consulting support services to other departments undertaking computing improvements. The I.S. Department handled over 2,300 requests for assistance from District staff in 2006.

The District computer network consists of a Gigabit Ethernet network using 30 Windows servers on a virtualized storage area network. The network supports over 300 workstations at eight sites. There are over 40 different enterprise-wide business software systems that run on the computer network to drive business including financial, property and taxation, payroll, materials management, budget, recreation, trade licences and building permits, property and a mapping system.

In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Upgrade to all District telephone systems
- New Parking Ticket system implemented
- Cell phone replacement project, new corporate cellular service contract, and mobile device policy all completed
- Introduced Blackberry handhelds as new business device
- Donated replaced computer equipment to School District No. 42
- Began rebuilding the District website
- Pilot project for Operations field inspection staff on mobile mapping
- Prepared maps for an Emergency Operations exercise; department employees attended several Emergency Operation Centre training events
- Wireless pilot project with Fire Department undertaken.



Paul Gill  
*General Manager:  
 Corporate & Financial Services*





*“Significant changes are imminent for Maple Ridge. The District has worked hard with both TransLink and the Provincial Government and is excited to finally see the Golden Ears Bridge and new Pitt River Bridge under construction. Transit improvements are also being planned including extension of Light Rapid Transit to Maple Ridge. With a host of transportation improvements coming to our area, the community’s profile becomes more prominent in the lower mainland. Much work was done in 2006 to prepare for change facing the community, most notably the adoption of the Official Community Plan.*

*These are exciting times and Public Works & Development Services will continue to work towards a balanced community where people can safely work, live and play.”*

*— Frank Quinn, General Manager*



Frank Quinn,  
General Manager

**T**he Public Works & Development Services Division is comprised of the Planning; Licences, Permits and Bylaws; Engineering; and Operations Departments.

### Planning

The Planning Department provides corporate and community service in four defined service areas: development application management, environmental management, policy review and development, and provision of professional support and information. In 2006, the Department achieved the following projects and enhancements:

- Adoption of the Official Community Plan
- Acceptance of Regional Context Statement by the Greater Vancouver Regional District Board
- Initiation of an amendment to the Liveable Region Strategic Plan
- Review and adoption of the Watercourse Protection Bylaw
- Training of building and development community regarding new Watercourse Protection Bylaw
- Adoption of new zoning regulations in the downtown.

### Licences, Permits and Bylaws Department

The Licences, Permits and Bylaws Department is responsible for enforcing the District’s bylaws, issuing building permits, inspecting all construction works, operating the animal shelter, enforcing animal control regulations, and ensuring all businesses operating in the District are licensed. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Implemented Amanda Municipal Ticket Information System
- New Licence Bylaw
- Taxi Bylaw, including vehicle age restrictions and driver training
- New Animal Services Fee for Service Contract
- Held two successful Builders Forums
- Collaborated with other departments on Amanda Business Analyst position.

### Engineering

The Engineering Department provides municipal engineering services and support to residents of Maple Ridge and other departments. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and achievements:

- Improvements to 224th Street from Brown Avenue to 122nd Avenue
- Constructed a traffic calming circle at 105th Avenue at Tamarack
- Hosted several public Open Houses for capital projects
- Negotiated and amended the Ridge Meadows Recycling Society and Greater Vancouver Sewage and Drainage District Licence Agreements
- Updated the Street and Traffic Bylaw
- Prepared and submitted the 2005 Water Quality Report to Council and the Fraser Health Authority
- Implemented the Safer City program
- Provided liaison and coordination services to the General Manager of Public Works & Development Services for the Golden Ears Bridge.

**Operations**

The Operations Department is responsible for the management and maintenance of municipal infrastructure and provides services fundamental to the health, safety and convenience of our rapidly growing population in a manner that is responsive, economical, and environmentally responsible. This includes providing 24-hour-a-day emergency response to residents. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Bridge rehabilitation at North Alouette River at 232nd and 224th, Kanaka at 112th and 240th, and Coho at 228th
- Road resurfacing: Laity (124th to 128th), 224th (Abernethy to 132nd), Dewdney Trunk Road (227th to Burnett), 116th (Lougheed to 232nd), Abernethy (231st to 232nd), 248th (100th to 102nd), 102nd (248th to 256th), 118th (Creekside)
- Watermain replacements at 117th (212th to Laity), Laity (117th to Lougheed), 209th (Stoney to McFarlane), Stoney (Graves to 209th), 208th (south of McFarlane), 232nd (116th to 118th)
- Sanitary Sewer replacements at lane north of Selkirk, west of 224th
- Diverted 6,000 kilograms of recyclables to the Ridge Meadows Recycling Society
- Green Fleet initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by introducing 12 hybrid vehicles into the transportation fleet.



Frank Quinn  
*General Manager:  
 Public Works & Development Services*





## Economic Development

Maple Ridge is a community of excitement, choice and opportunity. It welcomes diversity and provides a safe and secure environment for residents and visitors alike. The economy is balanced, stable and provides jobs to residents. It is a sustainable community that values the environment and is working to balance land protection and green zones with job creation and sound development. Low-density living coexists with smart development in the urban core where a revitalized downtown is providing a new focus for community, cultural and economic activities.

With the support of Municipal Council, local businesses, and associations such as Tourism and the Chamber of Commerce, much is being achieved. The local economy is expanding, downtown development is on the cusp of major improvements and new capital projects community-wide are underway. The most notable and highest profile development that began in 2006 was the Golden Ears Bridge. Together, the bridge and associated developments such as road construction will create a new gateway to the community and will account for over \$800 million of investment in the area. Businesses will be able to transport their products and materials more efficiently to and from the area.

The Economic Development Department works with the local business community and associations to support their efforts to retain and attract successful ventures. One of the more visible sectors settling into the area is the television and movie industry. In 2006 there were over 60 productions that used Maple Ridge facilities and its natural surroundings as a backdrop.



Industry — unparalleled growth

The Economic Development Department provides support and leadership in a number of ways including:

- Promoting the product known as Maple Ridge to the local, regional and global investment industry
- Assisting entrepreneurs and businesses with achieving growth and removing obstacles to expansion
- Encouraging and promoting film production within the District of Maple Ridge
- Liaising with community business and industry groups and agencies.

In consultation with the Maple Ridge Economic Advisory Commission, an Economic Development Strategy was created in 2006. It is going to be a valuable strategy to guide the community as it moves forward and capitalizes on the new development heading its way. It is an exciting time for Maple Ridge and its citizens.

Golden Ears Bridge construction



Hollywood comes to Maple Ridge





## Volunteers grow sustainable communities

In Maple Ridge, volunteers are valued for their essential contributions towards community sustainability. Volunteers promote and support environmental, economic, social, health and wellness, and accessibility goals; they extend the services of our Parks, RCMP, Recreation and other departmental staff, and they plan and run our community events and celebrations. They advise council and staff on a variety of worthwhile issues, and help make a difference in the community through their efforts and achievements.

In turn, volunteers have the opportunity to develop new skills and interests, to maintain a meaningful sense of connectedness with their community to gain new friendships and network with others, and to support personal and community wellness goals.

To highlight a couple of examples where volunteers contribute to the viability of a service area, in 2006, 82 volunteers donated 2,026 hours to the Aquatics area in the Maple Ridge Leisure Centre and helped instructors with swimming lessons, special events and special needs participants. In turn, volunteers were supported and trained in water safety, first aid, and other specialized

aquatics skills that better position them for future employment as lifeguards and instructors.

Volunteers also provide an invaluable service to our community through their involvement with the Ridge Meadows Volunteer Crime Prevention programs, Search & Rescue initiatives and call-outs with Emergency Social Services programs. In 2006, 180 volunteers were trained in a variety of emergency support capacities and provided 15,000 hours to a number of activities

including supporting citizens who were displaced from their homes due to flooding, windstorms and fires.

Volunteers gather around a wide number of meeting tables to discuss ways to enhance the safety, enjoyment, and sustainability of our community. They are integral to a healthy environment and highly valued in Maple Ridge for everything they do. It is with appreciation that we recognize the efforts and significant contributions of our volunteers.



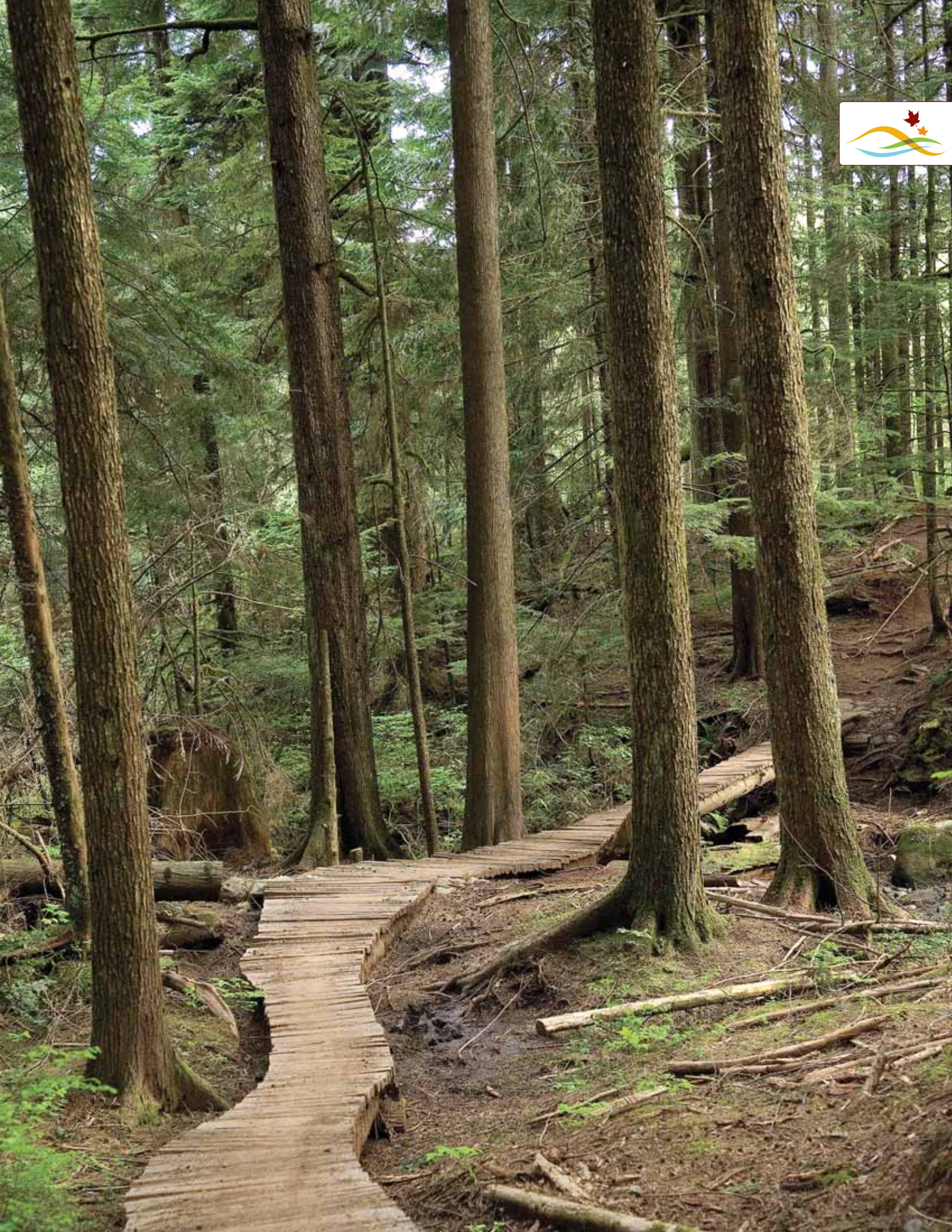
*Volunteer appreciation at the ACT*

*Earth Day Celebration — volunteers assisting children with sunflower seed planting*



*The Maple Ridge Lions host their annual Mother's Day pancake breakfast*







## *Sustainability is our future*

Maple Ridge has made a commitment to pursue policies and practices that encourage and promote sustainability in the community and in its corporate practices. 2006 has seen some major steps taken by the District to implement this commitment.

In adopting a revised Official Community Plan in 2006, the District has become one of the first municipalities in BC to incorporate a policy about climate change within its Official Community Plan. The Plan contains a commitment to use an integrated approach to reduce and mitigate the effects of climate change.

The District continues to pursue the ongoing development of its historic downtown core with Smart Growth principles as its foundation.

One of the key principles has been to increase residential density in the town core which will support a more vibrant commercial presence. In order to promote this aspect of downtown redevelopment, the District took a number of steps in 2006. The requirement to incorporate commercial floor space at street level on every street within the downtown has been eliminated. It has been replaced by a more selective placement of commercial frontage along major streets within the downtown.

To further support increased density, a tax exemption for residential development over four stories within certain sectors

of the downtown has been adopted. Developments can stretch the tax exemption even more if they build a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEEDS) certified building. The District is demonstrating its own leadership in this area by incorporating LEEDS standards into the new Randy Herman Centre for Community Safety.

As for increasing usage of the urban footprint more effectively, the District has been working towards more multi-family type development as opposed to single family development. That initiative has resulted in more building permits issued in 2006 for multifamily homes than single family homes. This is the first time that multifamily building has surpassed single family building in the District and indicates change in the marketplace as well as a commitment to utilizing land more efficiently.

Other District initiatives undertaken to pursue a more sustainable future included:

- Preparing a Carbon Neutral Strategy
- Replacing one third of its transportation fleet with hybrid vehicles which should lead to a reduction in carbon dioxide of 24,000 kilograms a year or 2 tonnes per vehicle
- In partnership with Ecosystem Restoration Associates, launching the Community Ecosystem Restoration Initiative (CERI) which to date has planted over 25,000 trees in the community leading to a reduction in carbon dioxide.

*Keeping our District green*



*Working to restore fish habitat along the Alouette River*





# Emergency Preparedness

The Emergency Program is a joint program shared by Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows. Each community has an Emergency Operation Centre which is manned by individual emergency response teams. In the event that a major disaster occurs, which in all likelihood would affect both communities, the two teams would merge together to manage the event. The organization is managed by a Joint Emergency Program Coordinator (EPC).

Emergency Social Services (ESS) which is a branch of the emergency program is a volunteer community-based provincial emergency response program. ESS is those short-term services required to preserve the health and well-being of people affected by disasters, including emergency responders. Services include emergency food, clothing, lodging, family reunification, emotional support and other specialized services. Emergencies range from single house fires to major disasters, such as interface wildfires and floods involving mass evacuations.

The impact of a disaster can be so catastrophic that no single level of government, community agency or organization can provide all the services required. There are many local and national organizations that share the responsibility of providing relief to people affected by an emergency or disaster. Some of those agencies are Buddhist Compassion Relief Tzu-Chi, Canadian Red Cross, Salvation Army, St John Ambulance and Canadian Disaster Childcare.

Maple Ridge continues to be a pioneer in its commitment to a safe community in the hiring of a full time Emergency Program Assistant (EPA). The EPA's role includes management of the Emergency Social Services organization, Neighbourhood Preparedness Program and administration support for the EPC.

The emergency response teams as a whole have been active with the year closing with two flooding events and the big windstorm that created havoc all through the Lower Mainland, with Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows being no exception.

### IS YOUR FAMILY PREPARED?

For a major emergency – like a blackout or severe storm – you need to be prepared. Ready for at least 72 hours while emergency workers help those in urgent need. In an emergency you will need some basic supplies. You may need to get by without power or tap water. Not sure what to put in your kit? Find out what you and your family will need to get through those 72 hours. [www.getprepared.ca/kit/kit\\_e.asp](http://www.getprepared.ca/kit/kit_e.asp)

*Train derailment*



*On flood watch*



*Be prepared*





*Jacob Carbery • Photo: Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows Times*

## Citizens Going Above and Beyond

- Sandro Stefanucci pulled a veteran to safety from a burning building and earned a commendation by the Office of the Fire Commissioner. He also received a nomination for a Community Safety Star award from the Maple Ridge Fire Department.
- Lausanne Ham cut off 14 inches of her hair and donated it to the Locks of Love organization. This worthwhile cause provides hairpieces and wigs for financially disadvantaged children who are suffering from long-term medical illnesses. This is not the first time Lausanne has helped out the less fortunate, She has also donated breast milk to the B.C. Children's Hospital.
- Nita Spittel was named as Maple Ridge Community Foundation 2006 Citizen of the Year. She was president of the Ridge Meadows Hospice Society in 1997-98, and is again the organization's current president. Nita is president of the Maple Ridge Choral Society and a member of the Ridge Meadows Arts Council, where she has organized poetry contests and facilitated poetry readings. She volunteers to teach English as a Second Language and basic reading and writing courses.
- Boxing BC honoured long-time boxing coach John Skanks with the President's Award of Excellence. John has spent the last 50 years of his life focusing on giving rough-and-tumble youth something to do and turning them into model citizens. "You're there for the kids," he said. "My reasoning is to keep 'em off the streets and keep 'em busy."
- Maple Ridge resident Dr. Marco Terweil led a Rotarian group to Thailand to help people who were hit hard by the Tsunami.
- Dave Rempel and Sharon Kincaid were nominated for the Helen Mark Excellence in Adoption Award. The Maple Ridge couple is the driving force behind the Canadian CIS Friendship Exchange Society which specializes in adoptions and student exchanges. To date they have enabled 174 orphans from Russia and Kazakhstan to find new families by helping to cut through red tape, making the process as easy as possible. "Our happiness comes from the kids", Rempel said.
- Eight-year-old Jacob Carbery headed to Hollywood to sit beside Ellen DeGeneres, chatting about how much he loves dogs. Jacob has raised more than \$4,000 for the SPCA Biscuit Fund. All the money goes to pay for the veterinary care of abused and abandoned animals. He began fundraising back in February with his Wiggle Waggle Walk for the Biscuit Fund after reading an article about a Maltese puppy that had been found abandoned and in extremely ill health. His latest project, with the help of his family, is getting as many celebrities as possible to sign dog bandanas. Those bandanas will be auctioned off online, with the proceeds going to the SPCA.
- Optician Trena Zalsler went to Nicaragua as a volunteer with Humanity International.
- The Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows Youth Centre Society partnered with the Haney Rotary to host a Golf Tournament and raised \$25,000 for the Iron Horse Safe House.
- Maple Ridge Baptist Church youth group spent five days in Ensenada, Mexico building a home with Youth Unlimited Gospel Outreach Ministries.
- Margaret Norman received a Volunteer Recognition Award for her efforts to make Whonnock a better place.

*Dave Rempel • Photo: Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows Times*



## Our Community...



- Maple Ridge — Pitt Meadows Home Show with hundreds of commercial exhibits and displays drew upwards of 35,000 visitors. The Home Show also stages a Psychic Fair, the Times Taste of Ridge Meadows, and West Coast Amusements Carnival. The “Cancer Head Shave and Raffle” involving all emergency services in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows took place where over \$23,000 was raised for the Ridge Meadows Hospital Oncology Unit



- Mountain Festival was a huge success with many exciting activities such as the Multicultural Parade on Dewdney Trunk Road, and a variety of children’s and youth activities held in partnership with the Home Show, and FunZone 2006 at the Maple Ridge Fairgrounds



- Canada Day began with the traditional flag raising ceremony in Memorial Peace Park followed by entertainment, kid’s art activities, multicultural foods, and a giant craft market



- The Caribbean Festival saw thousands enjoy live Caribbean bands, great music, colourful costumes, dancing, arts and crafts, and delicious food

- Webster’s Corners Day brought together many families to celebrate their neighbourhood with activities for all ages — games, bouncy castle, bike parade, local artisans, raffle, interactive displays from local organizations involved in the community, and the Heritage Tea and Historic Display for friends and neighbours to share memories and swap stories

- Thousands attended the 105th annual Maple Ridge Fair. They enjoyed the midway, an antique tractor pull, Welsh Pony show, BMX stunt bike show, kids stuff, headline stage entertainment, and up-close and personal animal displays

- The Jazz and Blues Festival attracted thousands to Memorial Peace Park. Festivities included some of BC’s best local and regional Jazz and Blues artists, an arts and crafts village, and children’s activities

## Maple Ridge

- The annual Hammond Days celebration featured live music, children's activities, crafts, community displays, baseball tournaments, pancake breakfast, Heritage Walk, Heritage Tea, and evening dances
- BC Rivers Day was held at Allco Park and Kanaka Creek — a special day celebrating our spectacular river heritage and raising awareness of our streams and rivers
- The annual Whonnock Lake Day celebration began with an inter-denominational church service and a pancake breakfast. Food, crafts, children's activities, a 5 and 10 km run/walk, a 1 km non-competitive children's run, and musical entertainment were enjoyed by all
- Remembrance Day Ceremonies are held every November 11 at 11:00 am after the Remembrance Day parade from the Legion building to the Cenotaph in Memorial Peace Park. Our own local heroes, the Veterans, are grateful to the many thousands of citizens who attend these events
- Christmas in the Park and the Santa Claus Parade has become a favourite in December. Entertainment for children and families with wonderful floats, horses, and free hot chocolate
- Christmas Haven served dinner and entertainment to those who were alone on Christmas Eve



# Maple Ridge Fire Department



The primary mission of the Fire Department is the protection and preservation of life, property and the environment for Maple Ridge citizens. One hundred dedicated paid-on-call firefighters, 16 full-time firefighters and six full-time officers provide this service. In 2006, the Department achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Continued implementation of the Fire Department Master Plan; eight firefighters began full-time employment on January 2, 2006 bringing the total to 16 full-time firefighters. A full-time paid response is now available 24/7 with improved response times. The career firefighters are continuing to support, encourage and train the paid-on-call firefighters.
- Transitioning from open burning to chipping and hauling of landfill waste now puts Maple Ridge in line with other GVRD Municipalities. The number of burning complaints by citizens has decreased dramatically since the transition away from land clearing fires has taken effect.
- The Department honoured the passing of long time Fire Chief Paul Steine. The funeral not only demonstrated the high esteem the members held for Paul, it also demonstrated the morale and cohesiveness of the organization as all the members from the most junior to the Assistant Chiefs pulled together and went the extra mile to make sure that every detail was attended to.
- The Charities Committee held several events throughout the year including the Head Shave, Car Wash, Muscular

Dystrophy Boot Drive, and Food Drive. This committee demonstrates the firefighters' dedication to the community, high morale in the organization and the spirit of cooperation and inclusiveness between the full-time and part-time members. In 2006, over \$50,000 was raised for Charity.

- In addition to our regular school program, several successful Public Education events were held in the community including: Home Show — Kids Zone, Hot Summer Nights, Camp Goodtime, and Summer Safety Smart Cards. A new program called "Get Alarmed" was coordinated by one of our Captains. The program targeted four neighbourhoods which had a high likelihood of non-operational smoke alarms. Out of 53 units, we installed 41 alarms in residences that had no working alarm. The program was funded by a donation of \$500 from Vancity, over \$500 in recycling bottles and scrap metal, and from Canadian Tire who allowed us to purchase smoke alarms below their cost.
- The Department developed a draft design and funding formula for the renovation and addition to Fire Hall #1 which is intended to address many issues in a building which is now 36 years old. It is also intended to address issues with accessing onto Dewdney Trunk Road which is an increasingly busy thoroughfare.
- A draft Community Wildfire Protection Plan was developed. This draft wildfire protection plan is being reviewed by staff and a list of possible implementation strategies is being prepared to accompany a presentation of the draft plan to council and the public in 2007.





## Police Services in Maple Ridge

The Ridge-Meadows Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, in partnership with our community is dedicated to the preservation of the quality of life and safety of the public we serve. The RCMP is dedicated to the principle of community policing and working with the public to provide long-term solutions to identified problems. Our focus is on the prevention and detection of crime, the prosecution of criminals, community involved problem solving, as well as response to criminal activity and traffic safety. Our most effective tools are positive community relations, a professional police image, public education, and the ability to respond to the needs of our community. In 2006, the Ridge Meadows RCMP achieved the following key projects and enhancements:

- Completion of the Police Master Plan setting the blue print for policing
- Worked with RCMP headquarters in drafting a business case for the expansion of the Integrated Homicide Team
- Assisted RCMP Headquarters in establishing and implementing a full-time Emergency Response Team
- Implementation of the Crime Reduction Team combining three units — Drugs, Community Policing and Property Crime.

An important component to addressing crime in Maple Ridge is the strategic placement of police resources that include “catch and convict”, “rehabilitate and resettle” and “prevent and deter” strategies. All operational sections of the RCMP have been mandated to incorporate this highly effective methodology to the daily functions of each police officer.

Since the implementation of this initiative, overall crime rates are trending down by an average of 6% in Maple Ridge. Some crime reduction initiatives include:

- Foot patrols in the downtown core to increase police visibility and also increasing communication with business operators
- Curfew checks on those individuals who are under court mandated conditions including a curfew
- Morning sweeps of the downtown core in the early mornings conducted by General Duty members to identify any property crime or suspicious activity that may have occurred during the night
- Working with community partners to prevent and deter youth from entering a life of crime by identifying and addressing youth at risk
- Prolific and priority offenders have been identified to allow police officers to strategically focus on apprehension of these individuals. Currently there are 17 of these targeted prolific offenders either in custody or before the Court
- “Operation Over .08” impaired driving initiative was involved in Counter Attack roadblocks set up from Port Moody to Abbotsford. Meetings were held with local liquor licensees and community partners to proactively identify causes and deterrents to impaired driving in Maple Ridge
- Training of police officers in the latest techniques is another important component to successful crime reduction. During the fourth quarter of 2006, members were offered 18 different training courses including: Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED), Internet Investigators, Investigations, and Drug Investigations.



The Corporation of the District of Maple Ridge

Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2006



	<u>Actual 2006</u>	<u>Budget 2006</u>	<u>Actual 2005</u>
<b>Revenue</b>			
Taxes (schedule 3)			
Real property, special assessments, grants in lieu	\$75,308,285		
Less: Collections for other governments	<u>33,086,948</u>		
Taxes for municipal purposes	\$ 42,221,337	\$ 42,343,437	\$ 38,946,352
User fees and other revenue (schedule 4)	24,568,681	22,930,485	22,337,116
Development revenue (schedule 5)	5,065,930	13,744,461	4,667,930
Senior government transfers (schedule 6)	2,487,939	3,456,888	2,291,237
Interest and investment income			
Investment income	1,991,210		
Interest income	1,317,466		
Less: Deferred amount	<u>(852,782)</u>		
	2,455,874	1,794,996	2,271,515
Asset disposal proceeds and other gains	525,221	-	725,244
Contributed subdivision infrastructure	<u>10,848,250</u>	<u>10,848,250</u>	<u>26,284,692</u>
	<u>88,172,889</u>	<u>95,118,517</u>	<u>97,524,086</u>
<b>Expenditures (statements 1 and 2)</b>			
Protective services	19,173,524	29,533,968	16,387,421
Transportation services	9,406,722	16,451,894	10,023,304
Recreation and cultural	17,872,291	21,845,722	15,419,618
Water utility	7,684,719	9,253,603	6,962,383
Sewer utility	5,981,985	8,274,568	6,258,777
General government	9,553,553	11,798,807	10,597,951
Planning, public health and other	2,607,170	3,651,778	2,293,164
Increase in allowance for investments	169,283	-	-
Subdivision infrastructure	<u>10,848,250</u>	<u>10,848,250</u>	<u>26,284,692</u>
	<u>83,297,497</u>	<u>111,658,590</u>	<u>94,227,310</u>
<b>Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over Expenditures</b>	<u>4,875,392</u>	<u>(16,540,073)</u>	<u>3,296,776</u>
Principal Repaid (net of refinancing)	(2,398,105)	(2,338,296)	(1,982,224)
Debt Issued	357,675	-	-
Increase in Fund Balances	<u>2,834,962</u>	<u>(18,878,369)</u>	<u>1,314,552</u>
<b>Fund Balances – Beginning of the Year</b>	<u>48,818,697</u>	<u>48,818,697</u>	<u>47,504,145</u>
<b>Fund Balances – End of the Year</b>	<u>\$51,653,659</u>	<u>\$29,940,328</u>	<u>\$48,818,697</u>

*Excerpt from the 2006 Audited Financial Statements*

*Copies of the District's award-winning Comprehensive Annual Financial Report are available at the Municipal Hall, District website, and the Public Library.*

	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
<b>Financial Assets</b>		
Cash and temporary investments (note 1)	\$ 28,066,766	\$ 32,540,017
Portfolio investments (note 1)	67,030,331	49,985,738
Accounts receivable (note 2)	15,355,354	10,279,008
Recoverable local improvements (note 3)	814,774	1,382,647
Other assets (note 7)	611,828	1,000,530
	<u>111,879,053</u>	<u>95,187,940</u>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities (note 5)	10,299,934	8,425,253
Deferred revenues	6,678,982	5,004,596
Restricted revenue (schedule 7)	36,699,742	27,252,397
Refundable performance deposits and other	2,631,336	2,099,223
Employment future benefits (note 8)	3,915,400	3,587,774
Mortgage liability (note 9)	-	16,726,326
Debenture debt (note 6, schedule 2)	47,737,412	33,051,518
	<u>107,962,806</u>	<u>96,147,087</u>
<b>Net Financial Assets (Debt)</b>	<u>\$ 3,916,247</u>	<u>\$ (959,147)</u>

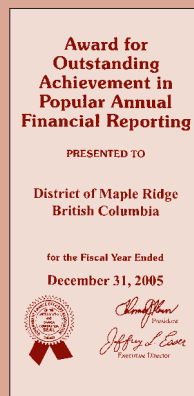
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The Government Finance Officers' Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) has given an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting (PAFR) to the District of Maple Ridge for its Popular Report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. The Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is a prestigious international award recognizing conformance with the highest standards for preparation of state/provincial and local government popular reports.

In order to receive an Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial

Reporting, a government unit must publish a Popular Annual Financial Report, whose contents conform to program standards of creativity, presentation, understandability, and reader appeal. An Award for Outstanding Achievement in Popular Annual Financial Reporting is valid for a period of one year only.

The municipality of Maple Ridge has received a Popular Award for the tenth consecutive year and is very fortunate to be only one of four municipalities in Canada awarded a PAFR for 2005. We believe our current report continues to conform to the Popular Annual Financial Reporting requirements, and we are submitting it to GFOA.



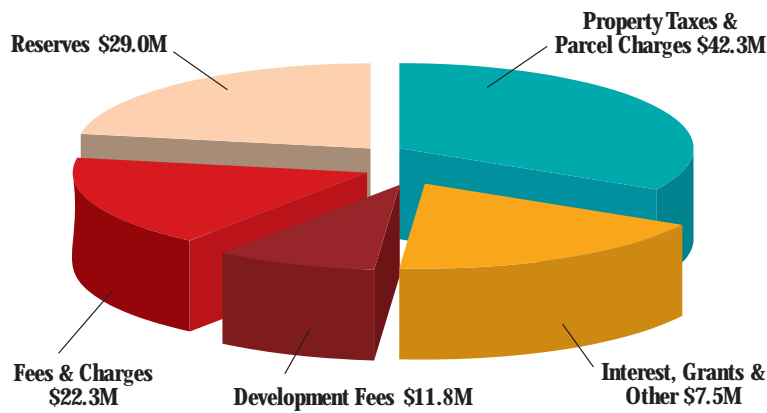
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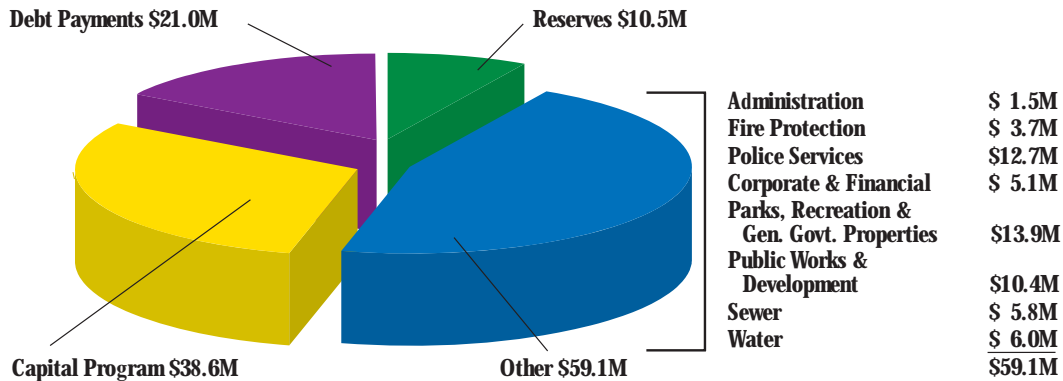
Throughout 2006 the municipality placed continued emphasis on sound financial management. Council endorsed a funding strategy to address the long-term sustainability of our infrastructure. The strategy begins to address the need to maintain our existing infrastructure as well as providing for future growth. By addressing this issue early we will be in a better position to leverage the financial resources needed to sustain our infrastructure and services, employing the fiscal practices necessary to earn

the confidence and trust of our citizens. Property taxation provides the District with over 50% of its revenue for general purposes and services such as police and fire protection, parks and recreation, transportation and the associated capital requirements depend on funding from property taxation. Maple Ridge residents enjoy a high quality of local government services with one of the lowest levels of property taxation in the British Columbia Lower Mainland.

## 2006 Projected Revenue — \$129 Million

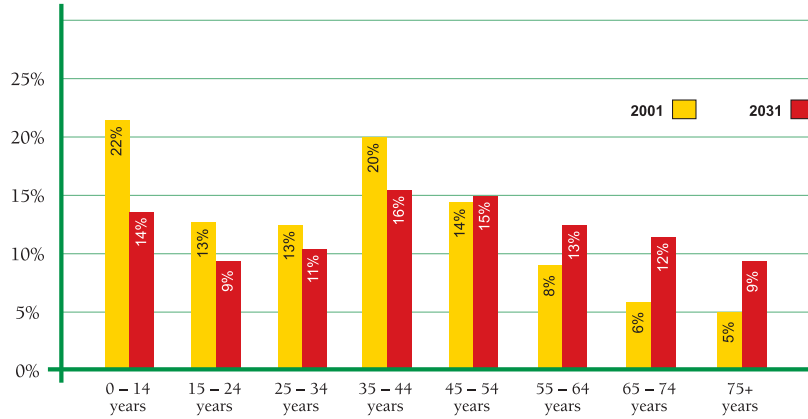


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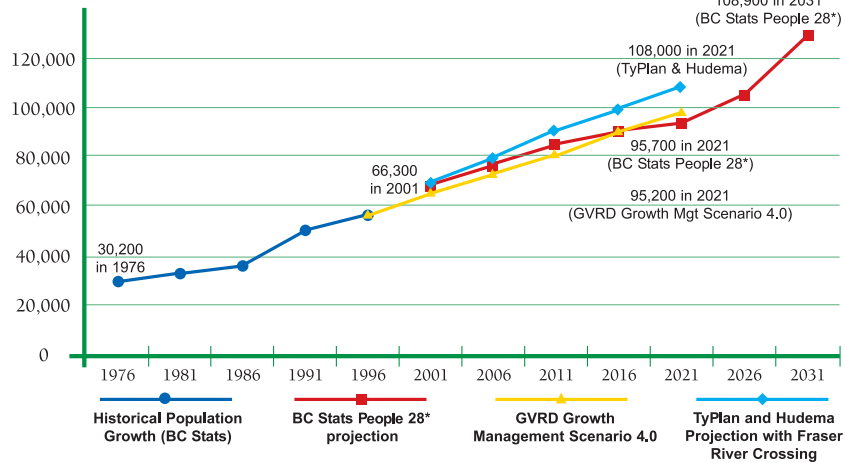


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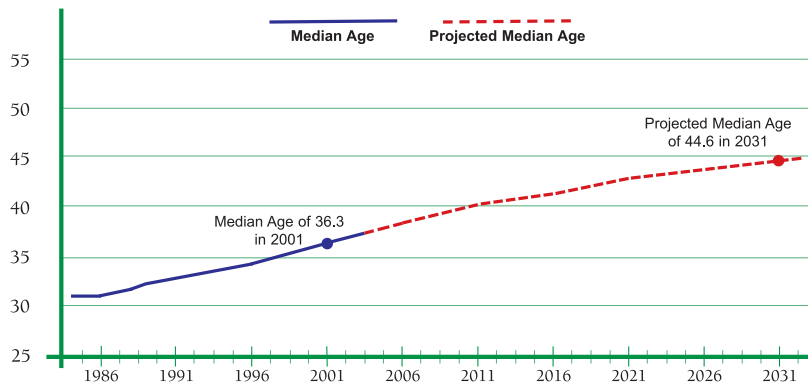
Percentage of Population by Selected Age Groupings, 2001 and 2031



Review of Existing Population and Housing Projections



Projected Median Age, Maple Ridge 1986-2031



Source: District of Maple Ridge Planning Department

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*Deep Roots  
Greater Heights*

- Committee of the Whole on the first and third Monday of each month at 1:00 pm
- Council Workshop on Mondays at 10:30 am
- Council meetings on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm
- Public Hearings on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm
- For more information on public hearings, special Council sessions, and civic events, check our website: [www.mapleridge.ca](http://www.mapleridge.ca)

