



St. Luke Cedar Hill Anglican Church is awarded \$14,500 Heritage Legacy Fund supports Painting the Exterior and Interior of the Church Building

St. Luke's Church Painting Project will receive a boost of \$14,500 through the Heritage Legacy Fund, supporting the church's efforts to raise \$33,700 for this project. This funding, made possible through the Heritage Legacy Fund and overseen by Heritage BC, provides grants for heritage conservation, awareness-building and planning projects throughout British Columbia.

The wooden church of St. Luke Cedar Hill was identified as needing to be painted both inside and out. The exterior of the church was last painted in 2005 and the interior was last painted in 1988. Both now require painting in order to preserve the condition of this heritage designated building.

"The passion, dedication and long-term commitment to preserving heritage throughout BC is impressive," said chair of Heritage BC and jury member, Gord Macdonald. "A challenge is turning that passion into action and, with the funding support of the Heritage Legacy Fund, we are proud to make that possible for deserving projects."

Macdonald continued, "These projects will increase awareness and interpretation of historic places in communities throughout the province. There is so much great work happening, and these projects will have real impact on the communities and how we tell our story as British Columbians."

St. Luke's has served as a center of worship and fellowship in the Cedar Hill-Shelbourne area of Saanich since 1860. It is a gathering place, not only for parishioners but also for members of the local community. This funding from the Heritage Legacy Fund will support the efforts of parishioners to maintain this valuable community resource.

The 2017 grants were overseen by a jury of four members and supported by Heritage BC staff.

About the Heritage Legacy Fund

Since June 2005, the Heritage Legacy Fund has supported heritage conservation in British Columbia with \$2 million of project funding. The funds are made possible through a \$5 million endowment established in 2003 by the Province of British Columbia.

Applications are received from museums, heritage societies, local governments and First Nations, often seeking funding for basic repair and maintenance work that are required to safeguard the historical character of these buildings and sites.

Of the over 120 grants provided to date, about 80 per cent have been for the conservation of historic buildings and other structures; from small community halls to civic landmarks such as Victoria's City Hall or the former municipal building in Nelson.

The remaining 20 per cent of grants provided have been for heritage awareness projects including interpretive signage, walking tours, and online applications that increase public understanding, appreciation, and education of built community heritage resources, including Vancouver Heritage Foundation's Vancouver Heritage Register Interactive Map and Hudson's Bay Company Heritage Trail signage.

About Heritage BC

Heritage BC is a charitable not-for-profit supporting heritage conservation across British Columbia through education, training and skills development, capacity building in heritage planning and funding through the Heritage Legacy Fund. We are passionate about building links between heritage conservation and tourism, economic and environmental sustainability, community pride and an appreciation of our common history.

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