



**Bulkley Valley  
CREDIT UNION**

*from the Hazeltons to the Lakes District*

# WINTER 2020 NEWS

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## Call for Nominations

The Nominating Committee of Bulkley Valley Credit Union is pleased to advise that an election of directors will take place to fill three (3) positions on the Board: two (2) positions in the Smithers area and one (1) in the Lakes District.

Commencing January 4, 2021, nomination forms will be available at every branch of Bulkley Valley Credit Union. Candidates must be nominated by at least three members in good standing who are over the age of 19. Submissions for proposed candidates will be reviewed by the Nominating Committee to ensure the nomination complies with the Financial Institutions Act and Bulkley Valley Credit Union Rules. Submissions must be received by the end of the business day on February 16, 2021. The Nominating Committee will inform each candidate of the provisions with respect to the conduct of the election and provide each candidate with a copy of the Bulkley Valley Credit Union Rules. Candidates must complete a personal information return, as a requirement of the Superintendent of the British Columbia Financial Services Authority.

Candidates may submit a photograph, a resume, and a policy statement (250 words or less) with biographical information, occupation, Credit Union affiliation, experience and qualifications. The Nominating Committee will forward the candidates' information, if submitted, along with the voting instructions to eligible members at least 30 days prior to the Annual General Meeting, which will be held on April 26, 2021. Voting will take place at the branch, by a requested mail-in ballot, or electronically. To be eligible to vote, you must be over the age of 19 and a Bulkley Valley Credit Union member in good standing as of January 1, 2021.

Election results will be announced at the AGM and posted for a minimum of three days in the appropriate branches. If you are interested in becoming a candidate and wish to know more about provisions and requirements for doing so, contact any of the four branches for further information, or visit our website at [www.bvcu.com](http://www.bvcu.com) to review the responsibilities of our Directors.

## 79<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

The Bulkley Valley Credit Union AGM will be held on **Monday, April 26, 2021** beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Summit Room of the Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge, Smithers, BC.

The meeting will review financial statements, and highlight some activities of the past year. The directors' election results for the upcoming year will also be announced.



# Introducing our new Chief Executive Officer, Jana Lukasek!

I am excited to introduce myself to the membership as the new CEO of Bulkley Valley Credit Union. Although new to this role, I have proudly been a member of the BVCU team for over twelve years now, most of those as the Manager - Finance. I feel very fortunate to be a part of this amazing organization that has grown with our communities for almost eighty years. I believe strongly in our organization's cooperative values and am very proud of what the Credit Union and its subsidiaries; Bulkley Valley Financial Services and Bulkley Valley Insurance Services, does for our communities.

My husband Chris, and I moved to Smithers in the fall of 2000 fresh out of University and quickly realized that this would become home and a place



to raise our future family. I am an active member of the community mainly focused at this time on helping out with my children's activities. My son Cade lives to play hockey and many of you will have seen me at the rink cheering on our teams and acting as a team mom or division manager. Joss, my daughter, is a dancer and figure skater and I have been the treasurer of the Smithers Figure Skating Club for many years. Our family can also be found on the soccer pitch in the spring and summer months, and we also love to hike and camp in our local backyard.

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families safe and healthy, and I look forward to continuing to serve you, our members, for many years to come.

## Deposit Anywhere™ has landed at BVCU

Now members can deposit cheques anywhere using the mobile app.

Mobile banking is all about convenience, timesaving and the freedom to bank anywhere, anytime you choose. Deposit Anywhere gets you one step closer.

Quickly and securely deposit cheques with your smartphone or tablet. So whether you're at coffee with friends, at work, or staying up late to get your banking done—from now on any time is the right time to deposit cheques.

If you are interested in Deposit Anywhere, contact your local branch for a quick, one-time set up to start using the new service. Then you can say goodbye to line ups at the branch and at the ATM by downloading our app to your mobile device. Once you do, you're ready to Deposit Anywhere!

### Once you have initiated the service, here's how it works

1. Open the app on your smartphone
2. Select your account
3. Enter the amount
4. Snap a photo of the front and back of your cheque
5. Confirm the details
6. Send. That's it!



Tap



Snap



Send



Relax

## Deposit Anywhere™

# Supporting the Communities We Serve

**BVCU donated \$170,000 to 145 Groups and Organizations in 2020!**

4-H Houston  
Ashurst Daycare  
Balance Academy  
BBSS Hankin-Evelyn  
Beanstock Childcare Centre  
Bulkley Backcountry Ski Society  
Bulkley Valley Exhibition  
Bulkley Valley Folk Music Society  
Bulkley Valley Health Foundation  
Bulkley Valley Research Centre  
Burns Lake & District Chamber of Commerce  
Burns Lake Arts Council  
Burns Lake Dog Park Ceremony  
Burns Lake Dry Grad  
Burns Lake Festival Association  
Burns Lake Fireman's Bonspiel  
Burns Lake Public Library  
Burns Lake Snowmobile Club  
Burns Lake Track Project  
BV 4-H Council  
BV Band Boosters  
BV Bright Beginnings  
BV Christian School  
BV Collaborative Learning Society  
BV Cross-Country Ski Club  
BV Hospice Society  
BV Kinsmen Club  
BV Museum  
BV Otters  
BV Research Centre  
BV Youth Sport Foundation  
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Camp Caledonia  
Canucks Alumni Game Sponsorship  
Christmas Hamper program  
CICK Smithers Community Radio  
Coast Mountain College Golf Tournament  
Daffodil Dash  
Evelyn Community Association  
Ew' Hiyah Hozdi Drum Group  
Fall Fair Association  
Family Literacy  
Friends of the Smithers Library  
Gitanmaax Band Council  
Gitxsan Elite Basketball  
Gitxsan Midget bulldogs  
Gitxsan Torchmen Basketball  
Glenwood Hall Community Association  
Glenwood Women's Institute  
Hazelton Bandits  
Hazelton Farmers Market Association  
Hazelton Integrated Primary & Community Care Backyard Medicines  
Hazelton Secondary Drama  
Hope Haven Canada  
Houston Barrel Races  
Houston Christian School  
Houston Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Society  
Houston Figure Skating Club  
Houston International Women's Day  
Houston Legion  
Houston Link to Learning  
Houston Minor Hockey League Association  
Houston Nature Centre  
Houston Ringette Association  
Houston Search & Rescue donation  
Houston Search and Rescue  
Houston Snowmobile Club  
Houston Vulnerable Seniors  
Houston Womens International Day  
Houston Youth Committee  
HSS and Twain Sullivan Schools  
HSS Theatre Club  
HSS Wolverine Volleyball  
Hudson Bay Mountain Writers  
IKitchen Senior Meals  
Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club  
Kispiox Warriors Basketball  
Kitwanga Elementary School  
Kitwanga Humpy Run  
Lakes District Fair Association  
Lakes District Festival Association  
Lakes District Secondary School  
Lakes District Secondary School Ski/Snowboard Team  
Lakes Literacy  
Love by the Bowl Soup Kitchen  
Luke's Fundraising for Community Cancer Care  
Majagaleehl Gali Aks Elementary School  
Mental Health & Addictions Advisory Community  
MGA- Our Freedom Totem Pole  
Misty Rivers Arts Council  
Morice Mountain Nordic Ski Club  
Muheim Elementary  
New Hazelton Elementary School  
Northern Hockey Lads  
Northwest Knights Hockey Club  
NW BC Food Action Network  
Orchestra North  
Pines Family Council  
Pleasant Valley Horse Club  
Proton Foundation  
Roche View Lodge Coffee Group  
Roche View Lodge Society  
Rotary Club of Burns Lake  
Round Lake Community Association  
Royal Canadian Legion Branch 63  
Salvation Army Food Bank All Communities  
Silverthorne Elementary  
Skeena Valley Education Society  
Smithers Art Gallery  
Smithers Chamber Canada Day Celebrations  
Smithers Chamber of Commerce  
Smithers Community Cancer Care Team  
Smithers Community Services  
Smithers Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre  
Smithers Figure Skating Club  
Smithers Gallery Association  
Smithers Golf and Country Club  
Smithers Minor Hockey  
Smithers Multicultural Society

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# Supporting the Communities We Serve

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Smithers Northwest Bowling  
Smithers Rotary Auction  
Smithers Saltos Gymnastics Club  
Southside 4-H Club  
Spirit North-Witset Program  
SSS Robotics Program  
SSS Ski & Snowboard Team

St. James Soup Kitchen  
Steelhead Curling Bonspiel  
Tahltan Jr Selects  
Telkwa Elementary School  
The Burns Lake and District  
Chamber of Commerce  
The Kispiox Valley Rodeo Club

The Upper Skeena Community  
Learning Society  
Topley Community Club  
Wet'suwet'en Native Arts  
Willow Grove Golf & Country Club  
Witset Jr Bears  
Witset Karate Team

