

Our Government's Investment in BURNABY AND NORTH VANCOUVER Summary Report 2025 - 2026

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INTRODUCTION

Federal Dollars Working for Our Community

Constituents regularly tell us that they know the federal government is creating programs and investing in Canadians, but it can be hard to see where that funding actually lands. This report is designed to change that. It brings together the specific federal investments made in Burnaby and North Vancouver across youth, the economy, health, Indigenous communities, climate action, seniors, and housing and infrastructure.

From research funding at Simon Fraser University (SFU) and British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT), to affordable housing projects on Byrnepark Drive, to upgrades at Brentwood SkyTrain Station, to support for dozens of local small businesses, federal dollars are at work across this riding. This report documents where those investments have gone and what they are building for families, workers, and businesses in Burnaby North-Seymour.

If you have questions or want more detail on any of these programs, please don't hesitate to reach out to our constituency office.

This summary report highlights local federal investments in Burnaby and North Vancouver for 2025-2026. For the record of investment history from 2015 through 2024, please visit TerryBeechMP.ca/reports.



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AT A GLANCE

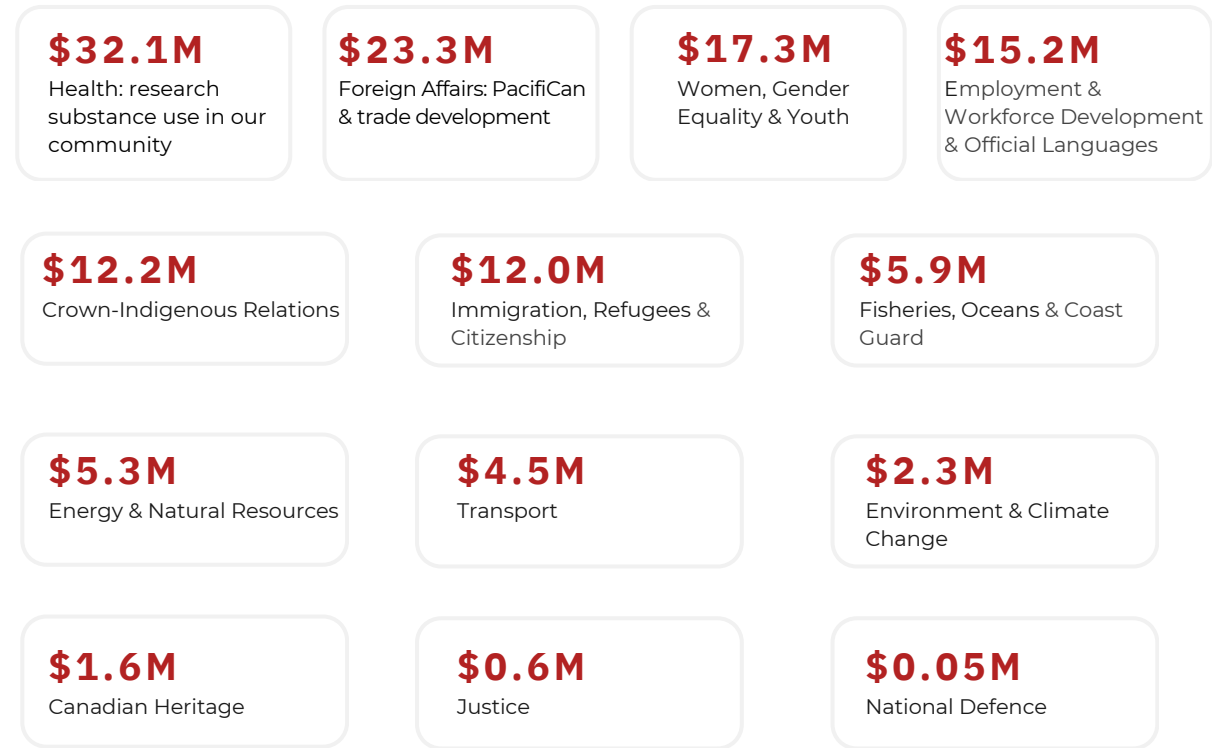
Investments by Portfolio

Federal funding flowing to Burnaby and North Vancouver, all portfolios combined

TOP PORTFOLIOS BY TOTAL INVESTMENT



ADDITIONAL PORTFOLIOS



INVESTING IN YOUTH

Funding Discovery, Research, and Skills for Young Canadians

Investing in youth means investing in Canada's future. Federal funding directed to SFU, BCIT, and local organizations supports research, training, and skills development for the next generation of scientists, engineers, and workers in our community.

SFU & BCIT Research Funding

Our government has invested over \$26 million in SFU and BCIT to promote local research and innovation. This includes Discovery Research funding through NSERC (\$10.25M across 53 recipients), Research Training and Talent Development (\$1.66M for 155 recipients), the New Frontiers in Research Fund (\$4.1M), and Research Partnerships (\$879,653 for 24 collaborations between researchers and businesses).

SFU & BCIT Grants and Scholarships

Over \$32 million in grants and scholarships through NSERC, SSHRC, and NRC supports students in graduate and undergraduate studies at SFU and BCIT. This includes over \$28 million through the Grants and Scholarships Program, \$3 million through the Canada Graduate Scholarships to develop research skills, and \$375,338 through the Collaborative Science, Technology, and Innovation Program.

Canada Summer Jobs

Our government invested over \$2.5 million through the Canada Summer Jobs program across 2025 and 2026, helping local non-profits, small businesses, and public-sector employers create meaningful summer work for youth in Burnaby North-Seymour. In 2025, \$1,029,143 supported 61 projects and approved 240 jobs. That investment grew in 2026, with \$1,467,644 approved across 69 projects to fund 326 jobs, continuing to give young people paid, hands-on experience while building skills for the labour market.

BCIT Youth Programs

Through ISED, our government allocated \$621,726 to BCIT: \$251,726 to the Computers for Schools Program, extending the lifespan of electronic equipment and reducing e-waste while providing practical internships; and \$370,000 to the Youth Employment Strategy – Computers for Schools Intern Program, providing paid internships that build digital skills in refurbishment centres across Canada.

Digital Skills & Other Local Youth Investments

Through the CanCode Program, our government invested \$400,000 with the Neil Squire Society to equip Canadian youth, particularly underrepresented groups, with advanced digital and STEM skills for the jobs of tomorrow. Additional investments through the Industrial Research Assistance Program Youth Employment Program supported local startups employing skilled young Canadians.

\$26M+

Research funding to SFU & BCIT, 232+ recipients

\$32M+

Grants & scholarships for SFU & BCIT students

\$621K

BCIT youth programs, digital skills & internships

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ECONOMY

INVESTING IN THE ECONOMY

Supporting Research, Small Business, and Local Economic Growth

Small businesses are the heartbeat of our economy. Federal investment in Burnaby and North Vancouver through research programs, innovation support, digital adoption grants, workforce development, and trade programs is building the conditions for businesses of all sizes to thrive.

Economic Programs, SFU

Our government has collaborated with SFU by investing approximately \$39 million in various economic programs to boost employment and innovation in our region. This includes over \$25 million in Individual Beneficiary Grants through SSHRC and CIHR for 80 research recipients, and over \$10 million across nine program-based funding streams including the SFU Innovates Invention to Innovation (i2I) program for BC small and medium enterprises in life sciences, clean tech, and deep tech.

Supporting 94 Local Small Businesses

Three programs have worked together to support 94 small and medium-sized businesses in our community with a combined investment of over \$17.1 million:

- **Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP):** \$4.7M to support 17 SMEs in the research, development, and commercialization of innovative products and services
- **Canadian Digital Adoption Program (CDAP):** \$729,000 in grants to 48 local businesses to retain Digital Advisors and develop tailored Digital Adoption Plans
- **NRC IRAP – Contributions to Firms:** \$11.7M to support 29 local businesses with financial assistance, advisory services, and R&D expertise

PacifiCan for BC Economic Development

Global Affairs has committed \$23.2 million to drive economic development in British Columbia through the Pacific Economic Development Agency of Canada (PacifiCan). Key investments include \$18.1 million through the Regional Economic Growth through Innovation Program supporting 14 local organizations, \$1.85 million under the Western Diversification Program for six organizations, and \$167,026 through the Can Export Program in Metro Vancouver.

Employment, Workforce Development, and Disability Inclusion

Through the Department of Employment and Social Development, our government has invested in building a more inclusive and skilled workforce in this riding:

- **Labour Market Investments:** \$6.9M supporting training and work experience for residents
- **Essential Skills:** \$2.5M for adult learning, literacy, and skills development through non-profit and other organizations
- **Workplace Productivity:** \$1.8M to enhance the productivity and competitiveness of Canadian workplaces
- **Canadian Apprenticeship Strategy:** \$262,116 to promote skilled trades careers and support equity-deserving groups including women, Indigenous people, newcomers, and youth
- **Enabling Accessibility Fund:** \$200,000 for small-scale construction and technology projects improving accessibility for Canadians with disabilities

Canadian Space Agency, SFU and local business

The Canadian Space Agency invested \$385,904 in SFU through its Class Contribution and Grant Programs to advance space science and technology research. Ecoation Innovative Solutions Inc. received an additional \$100,000 through the Contribution Program to support space-related innovation.

Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship

The Department of Citizenship and Immigration has provided \$12 million through the Settlement and Grant for Settlement Programs to help newcomers integrate into our community. Local organizations receiving direct support include the Burnaby Family Life Institute (\$177,238), the North Shore Multicultural Society (\$238,449), Burnaby Neighbourhood House, Women's Economic Council, Public Library Interlink, Board of Education School District #41, and Capilano University.



INVESTING IN HEALTH

Health Research, Substance Use, and Community Well-Being

A healthy community is a productive and resilient one. Federal health investments in our riding support cutting-edge research at SFU, innovative substance use and addiction programs, and community-level initiatives that support vulnerable residents.

SFU Health Research

Through the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR), our government has invested over \$8 million in health research at SFU. The Investigator-Initiated Research Program (\$5.85M) funds research from discovery to application, promoting collaboration across disciplines and sectors. The Research in Priority Areas Program (\$2.24M) mobilizes researchers, patients, health providers, and decision-makers to conduct research and build capacity in priority health areas. The Canadian Space Agency has also contributed \$99,000 through its Class Grant and Contribution Program to support SFU's research into how posture and cardiovascular function are affected in isolation, work that protects both astronauts and older persons from conditions such as dizziness and fainting.

SFU Research on BC's School Food Programs

Our government awarded \$124,950, funded solely by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC), to a SFU-led project studying BC's school food programs. The project, "Catalyzing School Food Research in British Columbia: Bridging Networks, Mapping Governance, and Understanding the Potential of Food Literacy to Improve Children's Health and Well-being," brings together school food program scholars with the Public Health Association of BC, the BC Chapter of the Coalition for Healthy School Food, and the Farm to School BC initiative. The project will map BC's school food governance network, convene a multisectoral research hub, and study how food literacy education can complement school food programs to improve children's health outcomes.

Local Community Support

The Burnaby Family Life Institute received \$19,290 through the "Peers First" program, providing peer support, stigma reduction, and outreach to vulnerable community members facing challenges including racial discrimination, economic hardship, homelessness, and mental illness. The program equips peers with harm reduction communication tools.

Substance Use and Addictions Program

Our government allocated \$686,604 to strengthen responses to drug and substance use issues, including two significant local projects:

- Wearable Vital Sign Monitoring for Overdose Detection (\$592,157), SFU's Micro Instrumentation Lab is developing a wearable device that monitors vital signs, detects overdose events, and alerts emergency services of the person's location. The device is being validated at safer consumption sites in the Lower Mainland
- Dyadic Care for Maternal and Child Health (\$94,447), A project with Dr. Bohdan Nosyk and the First Nations Health Authority to evaluate healthcare services for women and pregnant people with opioid use disorder and study the long-term health outcomes of their children in BC

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INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

INVESTING IN INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Reconciliation, Habitat Protection, and Indigenous-Led Justice

Our commitment to reconciliation is reflected in federal investments that support Indigenous communities' right to participate in fisheries, protect their traditional lands and heritage, and access fair treatment in the justice system. Over \$467,514 has been allocated across programs that protect Indigenous habitat, knowledge, and culture.

Fisheries and Economic Participation

The Pacific Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative (PICFI) provided \$300,000 to the Haida Wild Limited Partnership and Salish Seas Limited Partnership, empowering Indigenous communities to participate in commercial fisheries through training, tools, and resources that create jobs and strengthen cultural connections to the marine environment. Indigenous Services Canada's Individual Affairs Program invested \$100,000 with Invest Indigenous Summit Ltd. to support Indigenous individuals and families through culturally appropriate health, education, social, and economic services.

Habitat and Heritage Protection

The Indigenous Habitat Protection Program provided \$21,767 to the Tsleil-Waututh Nation, Kitsumkalum First Nation, and Squamish Nation to lead conservation and stewardship of their traditional lands and waters. The Indigenous Intellectual Property Program awarded \$15,250 to Satya Organics Inc. to protect Indigenous traditional knowledge, arts, and cultural heritage. The Fisheries and Aquaculture Clean Technology Adoption Program (FACTAP) provided \$50,412 to support the adoption of clean technologies within local fisheries and aquaculture, reducing environmental impacts and improving sustainability.

Indigenous Justice

Investments in Indigenous justice reflect our commitment to reconciliation and addressing systemic disparities in the justice system. The Native Courtworker and Counseling Association of BC received support through multiple Department of Justice programs: the Indigenous Courtwork Program (\$235,000) to help Indigenous individuals understand their rights and navigate the justice system; the Indigenous Justice Program (\$129,628) to support community-based justice alternatives; and the Justice Partnership and Innovation Program (\$121,325). The Indian Residential School Survivors Society received \$125,000 through the Youth Justice Fund.

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CLIMATE ACTION

INVESTING IN CLIMATE ACTION

Protecting Ecosystems, Advancing Clean Technology, and Building a Sustainable Future

Climate change is one of the defining challenges of our time. Federal investments in Burnaby and North Vancouver address this challenge directly, protecting aquatic species and marine ecosystems, incentivizing zero-emission vehicles, and supporting local organizations working toward a healthier natural environment.

Fisheries, Oceans, and the Canadian Coast Guard

Our government has allocated \$4.1 million through Fisheries and Oceans Canada to protect healthy and sustainable aquatic ecosystems in our region. Key investments include:

- \$1.09M to SFU for the Integrated Fish and Seafood Sector Management Framework
- \$1.11M to Salish Seas Fisheries Limited Partnership for Indigenous programs management frameworks
- \$480,000 to Haida Wild Limited Partnership for Indigenous fisheries management
- \$350,000 to SFU for aquatic species and habitat contributions
- \$290,475 to Squamish Nation for Indigenous programs management
- \$112,500 to the Seymour Salmonid Society for salmon enhancement programming

Canada Nature Fund for Aquatic Species at Risk

The Canada Nature Fund for Aquatic Species at Risk dedicated \$1.465 million to the ground projects, research, and partnerships protecting and restoring critical habitats for at-risk aquatic species. Working collaboratively with Indigenous communities, conservation groups, and governments, this fund supports the long-term survival of our region's precious aquatic species.

Preserving Our Ecosystem via Transport Canada

Transport Canada allocated \$4.9 million across programs to protect our environment and reduce emissions. The Incentive for Zero-Emission Vehicles Program provided \$3.24M to several automotive groups to encourage the adoption of zero-emission vehicles. The Program to Protect Canada's Coastlines and Waterways directed \$1.65M to BCIT to safeguard the ecological integrity of Canada's coastal regions.

Natural Resources

The Department of Natural Resources is supporting sustainable development, Indigenous partnerships, and environmental innovation across the riding. Key investments include:

- \$2.5M to HTEC Hydrogen Technology & Energy Corporation through the Forest Industry Transformation Program
- \$840,000 to Tap&Go EV Ltd. through the Energy Innovation Program
- \$274,402 to the City of Burnaby for Zero Emission Vehicle Infrastructure
- \$235,600 to BC Housing through the Green Construction Through Wood Program
- \$155,250 to the BC First Nations Energy & Mining Council for Indigenous Natural Resources Partnerships
- \$150,000 to the City of North Vancouver and \$146,492 to the Wild Bird Trust of BC through the 2 Billion Trees initiative for afforestation
- \$100,000 to the Squamish Nation for accommodation measures related to the Trans Mountain Expansion project

Youth and Climate Leadership

The Exchanges Canada Program – Youth Forums Canada received \$206,981 to enable young Canadians aged 14 to 25 to participate in forums, conferences, and workshops on national and global issues, building cross-cultural understanding and civic engagement among the next generation of climate leaders.

\$4.1M

Fisheries & Oceans,
aquatic ecosystems
& salmon

\$4.9M

ZEV incentives &
coastal protection,
Transport Canada

\$1.47M

Canada Nature
Fund, aquatic
species at risk

\$4.4M+

Natural Resources,
clean energy & green
industry

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INVESTING IN SENIORS

Dignity, Security, and Community for Older Residents

Our seniors deserve to age with dignity, security, and connection. Federal investments in Burnaby and North Vancouver support social engagement programs, long-term care improvements, and community-based initiatives that make a direct difference in older residents' lives.

New Horizons for Seniors Program

The New Horizons for Seniors Program funded four local initiatives focused on social participation, intergenerational connection, and dementia support:

- **The Greater Vancouver Bridge Club** (\$25,000), weekly Duplicate Bridge sessions for seniors, promoting social participation and intergenerational mentoring
- **The Action Line Housing Society – Seton Villa Retirement Center** (\$25,000), outdoor gazebo and benches for in-person art, exercise, and games sessions for elderly residents
- **Parkgate Community Services Society** (\$25,000), "My Parkgate BREAK," a twice-weekly program providing respite for family caregivers of those with early-to-moderate dementia, supported by trained community volunteers
- **The Swedish Canadian Village** (\$4,872), an Intergenerational Art Therapy Program connecting seniors with monthly craft workshops, games, and photography sessions

Safe Long-Term Care, Chénchenstway and the Aging with Dignity Agreement

Burnaby has benefited directly from the Safe Long-Term Care Fund, with federal investment contributing to the unveiling of the Chénchenstway facility: a renovated 216-bed long-term care facility in Burnaby that strengthens infection prevention and control measures and improves the quality of care for vulnerable residents.

Under the Aging with Dignity agreement, part of the Community and Long-Term Care Fund, our government is providing \$733 million over five years in federal funds to BC to enhance home support, increase staffing in long-term care and dementia care facilities, and expand palliative care options across the province.

INVESTING IN HOUSING & INFRASTRUCTURE

Homes, Transit, Active Transportation, and the YVR Corridor

Affordable housing and reliable infrastructure are the foundation of a liveable community. Our government has made substantial investments across housing programs, transit upgrades, active transportation, and the YVR cargo corridor to improve the daily lives of residents in Burnaby and North Vancouver.

National Housing Co-Investment Fund

The National Housing Co-Investment Fund provided \$27 million in capital contributions and low-cost loans for creating new and repairing existing affordable housing in our riding.

Highlights include:

- **6488 Byrnespark, Burnaby:** \$10.57M to create 130 new affordable units by 2026
- **New Vista Two Towers, Burnaby:** \$8.7M to repair 348 existing units
- **L'Arche Greater Vancouver Sussex Redevelopment:** \$4.53M to create 61 new units
- **YWCA Grange St.:** \$3.2M to create 32 new units

Rapid Housing Initiative

The Rapid Housing Initiative provided \$10.52 million to fund the rapid construction of affordable housing. The main project, 8304 11th Avenue, received the full \$10.52M to create 38 new units, split between the municipality and BC Housing.

Federal Lands Initiative

The Federal Lands Initiative makes under utilized federal properties available at discounted cost for affordable, energy-efficient, and accessible housing. In our riding, 3802 Hastings Street received \$3.23 million from the federal government, and another \$3 million from the City of Burnaby to create 161 new units.

Canada Community-Building Fund

The Canada Community-Building Fund provided \$1.4 million to the City of North Vancouver, District of North Vancouver, and City of Burnaby for local infrastructure priorities. Communities have flexibility to apply this funding across 19 project categories including public transit, wastewater, culture, and fire halls.

Active Transportation for Vancouver–SFU Connection

The Vancouver–SFU Active Transportation Connection project received \$5.73 million to improve cycling infrastructure to All Ages and Abilities (AAA) standards, making cycling safer and more accessible for Burnaby residents. Upgrades span six project segments from Boundary Road to Gagliardi Way, including new protected bike lanes, multi- use pathways, signage improvements, and lighting along Hastings Street and Burnaby Mountain Parkway.

Investing in YVR for Cargo and Supply Chain

Through Transport Canada's National Trade Corridor Fund, our government set aside \$150 million to boost cargo and supply chain capabilities at Vancouver International Airport. Upgrades begun in May 2023 include taxiway extensions, roadway enhancements, cargo apron expansion, and a new warehouse facility, enabling YVR to handle an additional 160,000 tonnes of cargo per year.

Tsleil-Waututh Nation Investments

Investments in Tsleil-Waututh Nation infrastructure and energy include \$412,786 for Emergency Management Assistance, \$230,401 for infrastructure construction and maintenance, \$147,348 for Indigenous Advisory and Monitoring Committees for Energy Infrastructure Projects, and \$115,040 for Smart Renewables and Electrification Pathways Projects.

\$27M National Housing Co -Investment Fund, 500+ units created or repaired	\$13.75M Rapid Housing + Federal Lands, 199 new units combined	\$5.73M Active transportation, Vancouver–SFU cycling corridor	\$150M YVR cargo expansion, 160,000 additional tonnes capacity
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INVESTING IN CANADA INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

\$1.8 Billion Across 12 Major Projects in Our Region

Since 2021, the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) has committed \$1.8 billion to 12 major projects and additional investments in Burnaby and the North Shore. These investments improve transportation, education, housing, and the environment, building the physical foundation our growing communities need.

SkyTrain Capacity and Modernization

- The Expo and Millennium Upgrade Program (\$493M) is the largest single investment, expanding the capacity of the Expo and Millennium Lines with 20 new Expo Line vehicles, 8 new Millennium Line vehicles, and 24 new Canada Line vehicles, while upgrading mainline power, systems, and maintenance facilities across the network connecting downtown Vancouver, Burnaby, Coquitlam, New Westminster, Port Moody, and Surrey.
- The Station Access and Safety Project (\$25.27M) addresses critical safety and access risks at stations across the network to accommodate longer 5-car trains, including extending guideway walkways, modifying automatic train control systems, and ensuring stations meet evacuation standards for higher passenger loads.
- The Brentwood Town Centre Station Upgrade (\$6.16M) and Brentwood Stationhouse Upgrade (\$3.25M) improve capacity, accessibility, escalators, fare gates, and neighbourhood integration at one of Burnaby's busiest and fastest-growing transit hubs.

Burnaby Active Transportation and Parks

The Burnaby Lake Highway 1 Pedestrian Overpass (\$3.75M), funded through the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program, is a new bridge for active transportation over Highway 1 that connects Burnaby Lake Regional Park and Deer Lake Park. The overpass improves mobility for pedestrians, cyclists, and wheelchair users, offering a safe alternative to the busy Kensington Avenue crossing nearby, while serving as a signature gateway between key community destinations. It is Burnaby's first dedicated active transportation crossing over Highway 1, closing a long-standing gap in the city's cycling and walking network.

Schools, Ventilation Improvements

Two Burnaby schools received federal investment for ventilation upgrades:

- Gilpin Elementary (\$331,648) for 12 energy recovery ventilation units in non-ventilated classrooms
- Edmonds Community Elementary (\$800,101) for boiler replacement, ERV system upgrades, and direct digital controls.

North Shore Investments

- The District of North Vancouver's Livable Deep Cove Resilience Project (\$2.66M) created a shared plaza and street area to support local businesses and physical distancing, including road reconfiguration, new paving and sidewalks, furnishings, tree planting, and stormwater infrastructure.
- The Grouse Mountain Regional Park Trail and Amenity Improvements (\$1.39M) upgraded three well-used trails with new connections, expanded trailheads, rest and viewpoint areas, and improved signage, increasing access for families and novice hikers.
- The Reduction of Inflow and Infiltration Program – Lynn Valley (\$2M) is rehabilitating approximately 4,500 metres of sanitary sewers to reduce the inflow of rainwater and prevent sanitary sewer overflows from entering the environment.

Green and Inclusive Community Buildings

The City of North Vancouver and Flicka Gymnastics – Mickey McDougall Retrofit (\$2.25M) is retro fitting a community recreation facility to provide gymnastics training for the community and competitive athletes, including roof and electrical upgrades, improved accessible washrooms, and a more visible community-facing entrance.

\$1.8B

Total ICIP
investment across
12 projects in the
region

\$493M

Expo & Millennium
Upgrade, 52 new
SkyTrain vehicles

\$25.3M

Station Access &
Safety Project, 52
platforms across 27
stations

\$9.4M

Brentwood Station
upgrades,
accessibility &
capacity

Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure: Highway 1 and North Shore Wastewater

Under the Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Component (PTIC), BC received additional top-up funding of \$212.3 million for the Lions Gate (North Shore) Wastewater Treatment Plant: a new tertiary plant replacing the existing Lions Gate primary facility, meeting federal and provincial effluent regulations while upgrading the sewer system. Highway 1 improvements include the Lower Lynn Corridor (\$21.9M) with a new Fern Street interchange and Dollarton/Seymour Boulevard connector, and the Lynn Creek Connectivity Improvement (\$20.6M) adding a collector-distributor system and intersection improvements.

Clean Water and Wastewater Fund

The Clean Water and Wastewater Fund allocated \$4.7 million across the Combined Sewer Separation Program (completed May 2018, \$2.94M) separating 1,355 metres of combined sewer mains into separate sanitary and storm systems, and the ongoing Wastewater Inflow and Infiltration Program – Lynn Valley (\$1.76M) rehabilitating sewer infrastructure to prevent raw sewage from entering the environment.

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The investments documented in this report represent real, tangible improvements to life in Burnaby and North Vancouver, from research labs at SFU and BCIT, to SkyTrain upgrades at Brentwood, to new affordable homes on Byrnespark Drive, to a new long-term care facility at Chénchenstway. These are federal dollars at work in our community. I am proud to have advocated for each of these investments and I will continue to work to ensure Burnaby North-Seymour receives its fair share of federal support. If you have questions about any of these programs or want to connect with our office, I encourage you to reach out.

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