Promoting Livability on Chá7elkwnech | Gambier Island

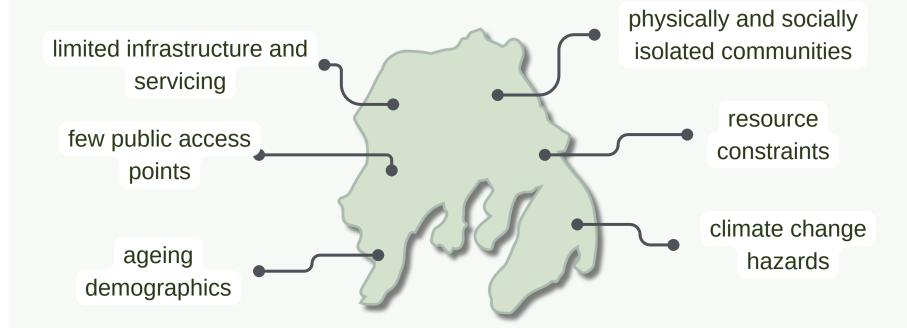
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Gambier Island Community Association



PROJECT CONTEXT

Living on Gambier Island is about reconnecting with nature, bonding with loved ones, and being in community. While the Island is located only 30km from Downtown Vancouver, residents experience unique challenges due to:



PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Identify major needs, aspirations, and priorities related to livability



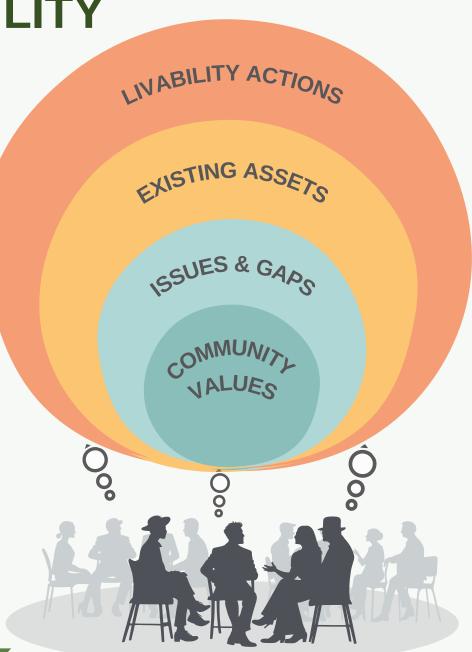
Provide a strategic path forward that guides decision-making

FRAMING LIVABILITY

Livability is a place-based concept.

The project unpacked how the residents perceive and envision livability, piecing together a layered understanding of this overarching goal.

Pathways towards livability are proposed using 34 issue-specific actions, organized through the following typology.



TYPOLOGY

Education

Strategic Planning



Capacity Building **Building**

Grants & Funding

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Infrastructure &

ACTIONS

PATHWAYS TOWARDS LIVABILITY

ASSETS

ACTION MAPPING

• Local authority designed to provide municipal-like service

Incorporate a Fire Improvement District

 Governed by a board of trustees elected by eligible landowners

• Landowners pay for fire protection services in taxes

 Scale varies from subdivisions to electoral areas, generally located in rural areas of B.C

Establish an Incident Command Post

 A primary unit for on-site incident response and management

 Coordinates communication and response to emergencies

> A contact point with higher levels of emergency response systems (Regional District & Province)

> > • Grant Source: Community **Emergency Preparedness Fund**









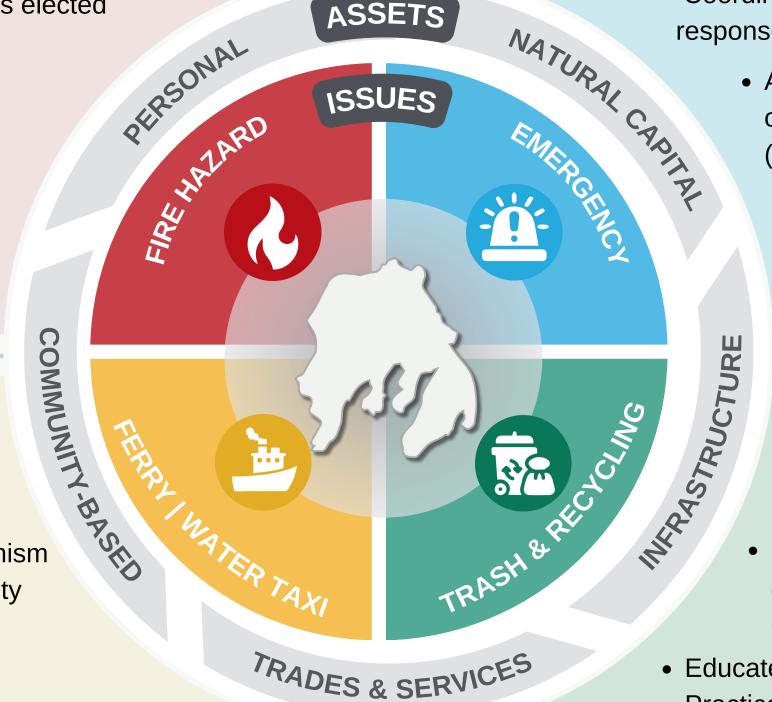
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Explore Community Ride-Sharing Capacity

• Formalize ride-sharing mechanism by collating available community capacity & resources

 Account for varying access to information technology

 Facilitate mutual sharing of departure and arrival schedules, enabling community members to offer or seek rides amongst themselves





• Share buy-nothing and upcycling strategies via existing social and digital networks

• Educate residents on Best Management Practices for different waste types

 Assemble a community-led waste collection and disposal service

• Organize awareness campaigns for waste diversion & shared responsibility



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