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The Newton Business Improvement Association is a group of approximately 530 businesses and property owners who are passionate about improving the Newton Town Centre.

Located in the heart of Surrey on the cross roads of 72 Avenue and King George Boulevard. The Newton BIA was created in 2014, taking a leadership role to revitalize the area. The BIA brings business members, grassroots organizations, community stakeholders and government together with a focus on the four pillars of Safety, Area Enhancement, Marketing/Events and Government Relations.

The Newton BIA receives a levy from property taxes, which is collected by the City of Surrey. The BIA is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, consisting of a diverse selection of businesses and property owners representing all regions within the boundary.

The approval of the Newton BIA was implemented through business consultation and a council initiative. Governance of the association is regulated by the constitution and a set of bylaws.





CURRENT PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY SAFETY
PATROL (CSP)

est. 2016

The Community Safety Patrol (CSP) program consists of one daily eight-hour patrol to address safety priorities and support crime reduction initiatives.





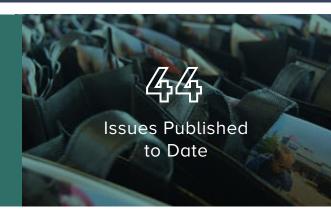
An integrated weekly safety initiative with the CSP, Bylaw, RCMP, Transit, OPTIONS, SOURCES and SCPS to increase effectiveness and communication.

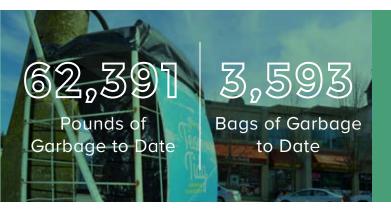
NEWTON SAFETY UNIT (NSU)

est. 2015

NEWTON NEWS est. 2020

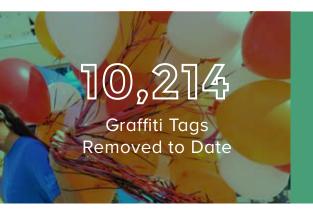
The Newton News provides an opportunity for the Newton BIA to gain awareness in the community and promote local news, & BIA programs.





Made up of a team of one, Team Tidy is a daily, proactive approach to maintaining the cleanliness of the streets within the BIA boundary.





Contracted through Goodbye Graffiti; all graffiti within the Newton BIA boundary is pro-actively removed ensuring that the area remains graffiti-free.



GOODBYE GARBAGE est. 2021 Contracted with Goodbye
Garbage; a large item removal
program to eliminate all illegal
dumping that occurs throughout
the Newton BIA boundary.



1,615
Shopping Carts
Returned to Date

In an effort to reduce the visual nuisance created by abandoned carts, Team Tidy returns carts to their homes as part of the daily patrol of the Newton Town Centre.

SHOPPING
CART
RETRIEVAL
est. 2017

MURAL LANEWAY est. 2016 With the goal to activate public spaces, the Mural Laneway on King George Blvd and 72 Avenue is a stepping stone to revitalizing the town centre and creating a cultural entertainment district for Newton.





A series of seating installations along 137
Street; each a combo of seating & greenery. The aim is to create safe mini parklets where people can rest and enjoy the outdoors. The goal is to bring activity and vitality to the street.

137 STREET FURNITURE est. 2022



A day-long community festival to promote active transportation, sustainability, and public spaces; car-free, family-friendly, free.





A spooky, fun-filled family event featuring an urban pumpkin patch, dance performances, a petting zoo and tons of crafts & games.

SPOOKTACULAR NEWTON

est. 2016

STATE OF NEWTON est. 2017

An opportunity for the business community to engage in a dialogue that showcases the upcoming investment opportunities for Newton.



BUDGET 2022-23 **REVENUE EXPENSES** \$562,754 \$58,050 Office Levy Wages & Benefits Other Primary Income \$8,000 \$140,000 \$27,796 \$205,000 Carryover Safety \$12,000 Government Relations **Total Revenue** \$598,550 Area Enhancement \$95.000 \$60,000 **Events** \$28,500 Marketing Complete financials available from Newton \$598,550 **Total Expenses** BIA upon request

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2023 has been a year of recovery and resiliency. Businesses have always adapted to the ever changing environment and the pace of change seems to be quickening. The global economy is grappling with record high inflation causing interest rates to continue to rise, making borrowing more expensive. The war on Ukraine has made things worse and the supply chain has slowed to a crawl. Does this mean a recession is on the horizon? "Not Necessarily" according to Pierre Cléroux VP, Research and Chief Economist, BDC; predicting .05% growth.

Affordability is now the main political talking point, as families struggle to make ends meet. Housing costs, gas and food prices are forcing families to choose between basic needs. Businesses continue to struggle to find new employees, causing expenses to increase, while still facing the impact of Covid-19.

In addition, the untenable street issues and crime plaguing communities across the province continues to worsen. The vulnerable population suffers from addiction, mental health and homelessness in every corner of our community.

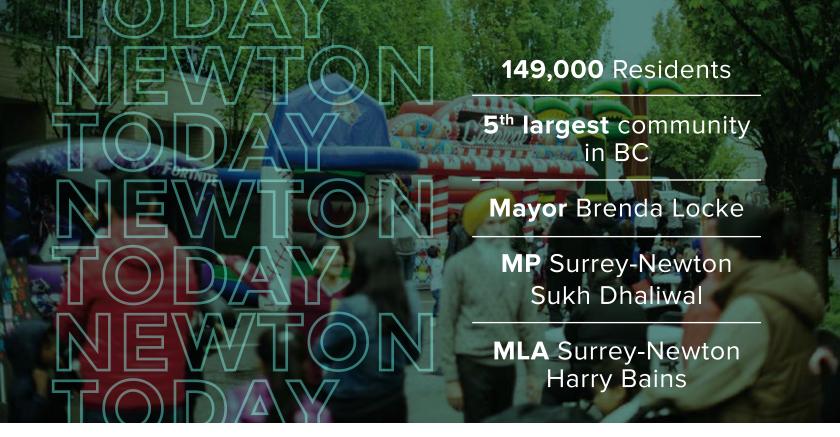
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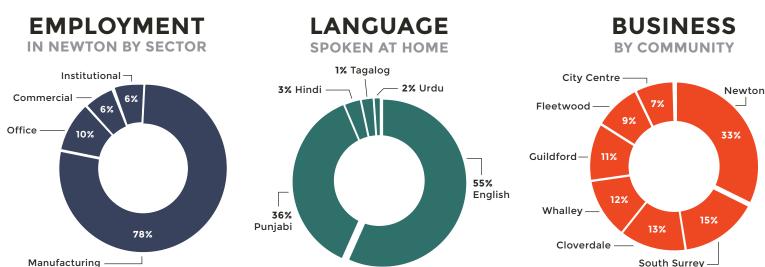
Our foundation continues to be extremely effective with the Community Safety Patrol, Graffiti Removal and Team Tidy. These programs ensure that the town center continues to be a clean safe place to work, play, shop and live. TheNBIA has focused on building community. Car-Free Day in June was the association's biggest event to date with over 10,000 attendees. The new street furniture along 137th Street was been installed with resounding success. After a two year hiatus The State of Newton and Spooktacular Newton made a triumphant return last fall.

Surrey is growing faster and faster and with that comes opportunity! Investment is happening all over the city. New businesses are opening in every town center with employment opportunities. On behalf of the Newton BIA, thank you for the passion and commitment to supporting small businesses throughout the town center and for the invaluable contributions you make in creating a healthy and vital commercial district.

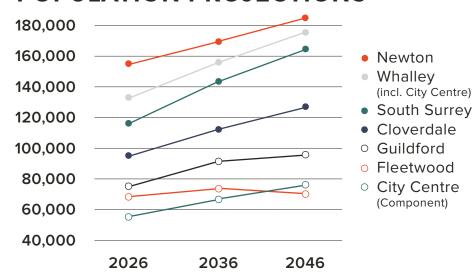
Philip Aguirre, Executive Director







POPULATION PROJECTIONS



Source: City of Surrey, Newton Community Profile

ASSETS

- Newton Bus Exchange
- RCMP Community Office
- Community Centre
- Senior Centre Upgrade
- ✓ Newton Public Library
- / Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- ✓ Bell Performing Arts Centre
- ✓ Cultural Centre
- ✓ Vaisakhi & Diwali
- ✓ Newton Athletic Park
- √ 61 Local Parks
- ✓ Surrey Tennis Centre
- ✓ Little India
- ✓ Heritage Rail

ADVOCATING ADVOCATING ADVOCATING ADVOCATING



3% ↓ Total Crime in Newton



Annual Homeless Count



4 New BIAs in the next 4 years



Build a Central Park with Plaza



Increased density with mixed-use redevelopment



Early Public Consultations on Supportive Housing



10,000 Seat Events Centre — Arena, Convention & Hotel



City-wide Event in Newton; attracting 20,000 people



- ✓ Increase investment
- ✓ Improve public transportation
- ✓ More frequent service
- ✓ Increase hours of service

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