

# Welcome Centre: a community connector

## The Welcome Centre vision:

The Welcome Centre space is all about bringing people into our community, in safe and collaborative ways. In this centre you'll find our Registration Team, ready to support and enroll new families entering the District. Thanks to a partnership with the City of New Westminster, you will be able to connect with a City Navigator ... a reference specialist who can help local residents explore and connect with all that the City has to offer. For those families new to Canada, there will be in-house and referable expertise to settlement workers and services available, in a variety of languages.

And we're exceptionally proud to also be providing office space to the Qayqayt First Nation, on whose traditional and unceded territories we live, we learn, we play and we do our work.

**The Welcome Centre: a community connector for all of New Westminster**, with meeting and collaboration space available for booking and use by other community groups as well.

## The investments needed:

The vision is there. And we have community partners who are excited to be part of this innovative community plan. What's missing are the internal walls and furnishings to make it possible. And this is where donors and community supporters come in.

By making a donation to the Welcome Centre, you can have a lasting impact in creating a space that will serve generations to come ... a legacy investment in supporting connection building for New Westminster students and families.

What might your donation be put toward?

- Building private rooms for students and families to have confidential conversations.
- Furniture for an open lounge or gathering space: this may be used by students waiting for appointments, those who want to pick up pamphlets or other reference materials, or for parents and community members coming in for workshops.
- Outfit the spaces and resources to support non-profit partners who are interested in using the space to deliver their complimentary programs.

## Our goal:

In order to make this space a reality, we're currently estimating this will cost \$200,000!

## Recognition:

We need you and your support to meet this goal. In recognition of the invaluable support you may be able to give, we will acknowledge our appreciation for your donation in the following way.

Donor Title	Donation amount	Thank you and tax receipt	Acknowledgement on the donor website for 1 year	Named at opening event	Named on permanent signage inside the Wellness Centre, with level of support indicated
Platinum*	\$100,000 +	Y	Y	Y	Y
Gold	\$50,000 - \$99,999	Y	Y	Y	Y
Silver	\$25,000 - \$49,999	Y	Y	Y	Y
Bronze	\$10,000- \$24,999	Y	Y	Y	Y
Community Champion	\$5,000 - \$9,999	Y	Y	Y	
Community partner	\$1,000 - \$4,999	Y	Y		
Wellness supporter	\$20 - \$999	Y			

*\*Alternate or additional forms of recognition may be possible for donors at a Platinum level ... and would be part of any conversation with the New Westminster Schools' team.*

## Connect with us:

If you or the organization you're working for are interested in supporting this innovative and lasting community investment, please connect with us. We'd love to talk!

**Donations can be made directly here\*:**

<https://newwestschools.schoolcashonline.com/Fee/Details/3373/166/false/true>

\*In the Fund Destination Field, please pick "Welcome Centre" to target your donation

**Questions? Want to find out more?**

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