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Government of Canada Invests in White Rock



MP Russ Hiebert, Clive Griffiths, White Rock Mayor Ferguson and Councillors visit the Kent Street Activity Center, which will be improved through the Federal RInC program.

(White Rock, BC) – Russ Hiebert, Member of Parliament for South Surrey – White Rock – Cloverdale, today announced federal funding to improve recreational facilities in White Rock. The investment is being provided through the Recreational Infrastructure Canada (RInC) program, part of Canada’s Economic Action Plan to stimulate and sustain our economy during the global economic downturn.

“Our Government, through Canada’s Economic Action Plan, is taking steps to reduce the effects of the economic slowdown,” said Russ Hiebert. “The Kent Street Activity Center and the Centennial Park Leisure Centre and Arena are both important facilities within our community. They bring us together as families, friends and neighbours to learn new skills, exchange ideas, get fit and healthy, and have fun.”

Federal funding of \$196,500 and City of White Rock funding of \$393,000 for a total of \$589,500, will go towards renovating both activity centers.



At the Centennial Park Leisure Centre and Arena, these renovations will include:

- Replacing rubber flooring;
- Upgrading electrical components;
- Replacing doors and painting rails;
- Installing energy-saving windows; and
- Installing a new exterior sign.

And at the Kent Street Activity Center, renovations will include:

- Upgrading the telephone system;
- New directional signage;
- Replacing the roof;
- Replacing the linoleum floor;
- Roof heating and ventilation and replacing air-conditioning equipment;
- Window treatments;
- Installation of an elevator; and
- Installing of fibre optic cables.

The RInC program is investing \$500 million in recreational facilities across Canada over a two-year period. It will provide a temporary economic stimulus that will help reduce the impacts of the global economic downturn while renewing, upgrading and expanding recreational infrastructure in Canadian communities. A total of almost \$163 million in RInC funding will be invested across the four western provinces.

“This investment will not only benefit our community as a short-term economic stimulus, but also improves the quality of life for members of our community in the long-term,” said Mr. Hiebert.

For information on Canada’s Economic Action Plan, please visit www.actionplan.gc.ca.

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