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GIVING BACK

"CELEBRATING OUR 25-YEAR NOTARIES"

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Beyond the Seal

How BC Notaries Are Giving Back to Their Communities

→ In 2026, BC Notaries will have stood for 100 years as trusted public officials and guardians of legal integrity, impartiality, and due process.

Beyond the Seal and the signature, lies a growing movement of Notaries using the strength of their professional experiences to uplift, support, and inspire the communities they serve.

Our recent Notary Conference was a resounding success—bringing together a great many Notaries, staff, and family members from across the province. In the dynamic weekend of learning, networking, and collaboration, it was wonderful seeing so many new and familiar faces . . . and catching up with colleagues.

Our education conference showcased the evolving role of Notaries in noncontentious legal matters and real estate services. All the sessions were designed to enhance the skills and knowledge of Notaries and to reinforce the high standards that define the Notary profession in British Columbia.

What stood out for me was the powerful reminder that BC Notaries are not only highly valued legal professionals, we are community-builders in the areas in which we live and practise.

In speaking to my fellow Notaries at the Conference, I learned how many of them are involved in giving back to their local communities in such diverse ways. I was proud to hear how many contribute beyond their professional function.

Their work often extends well beyond the office, reaching into

neighbourhoods and making a tangible difference to the lives of the people around them. BC Notaries serve on local and provincial Boards, volunteer for charities, coach youth sports teams, deliver education sessions, and support civic initiatives and other activities.

Many Notaries also give back within our profession as mentors to new Notaries—a fine example for future Notaries to perpetuate the momentum.

As the profession continues to grow and evolve, BC Notaries remain grounded in their mission to help others. Whether it is through mentoring young professionals, fundraising for local causes, or leading recreational programs for youth, Notaries across the province are making meaningful contributions. Their community-based approach is a cornerstone of our profession.

Maya Angelou said, “People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.” Through their outreach, leadership, and expertise, BC Notaries are participating in making people feel supported and stronger.

Being a Notary Public is about helping individuals in many of their important life moments. That spirit of service naturally extends into community involvement.

I encourage all my fellow Notaries to continue working to make a difference. 🙌

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