

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: **s.22**  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 4:03:13 PM

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Hi Karen,

**s.22**

In naks,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX](#); [Squance, Leah SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to Minister Simpson - April 14 - Prince George  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 2:37:33 PM

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Send regrets?

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 11:47 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation to Minister Simpson - April 14 - Prince George

Hi Val,

Invite for the Minister for you 😊

Thanks and if I don't talk to you before the end of day – have a Happy Easter long weekend!

Greg

**Greg Visco**

778 698-4835

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**From:** Sergio Cocchia [<mailto:scocchia@crewmanagement.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 11:42 AM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Simpson.MLA, Shane L LASS:EX; Wendy Cocchia  
**Subject:** Invitation to Minister Simpson - April 14 - Prince George  
Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
[SDPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:SDPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca)

March 29, 2018

Dear Minister Simpson,

On behalf of the Pacific Autism Family Network (PAFN), **we wish to extend an invitation for you to attend the launch of the PAFN Prince George Spoke on April 14, 2018 in Prince George, British Columbia.** We would also be very pleased if you would deliver remarks in your capacity as Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction.

Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) has emerged as one of the most pressing issues for Canadians and those across the globe. ASD is now the most commonly diagnosed neurological disorder in Canada – rates increasing from 1 in 150 children a decade ago to approximately 1 in 66 children born today.

PAFN has built a “one-stop-shop” in Prince George that supports all families looking for help in their navigation of services and information, while also creating a social oasis for people with autism and their families. This location in Prince George serves as a “spoke” to our main location, the Autism Family Hub, in Richmond.

As parents to a wonderful son with profound autism, my wife, Wendy Lisogar-Cocchia, and I founded the Pacific Autism Family Network charity and centres, created by families for families. The PAFN charitable initiative has a mandate to serve the lifespan needs of individuals and families affected by ASD and all related disorders in not only British Columbia, but across Canada, as well. PAFN has raised

over \$43million of provincial and federal funding, and collaborated for over nine years with hundreds of families and organizations to bring together desperately-needed supports, services and programs within one Canada-wide network.

We know that by partnering with the Government of British Columbia, we can come together to make a meaningful significant difference in the lives of British Columbians living with autism and their families.

Warm regards,

Sergio Cocchia O.B.C., LLD(Hon)

Chair and Co-Founder, Pacific Autism Family Network

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX; Simpson, Shane SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting Material - City Dream Centre  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 8:56:01 AM  
**Attachments:** 195032- MN - City Dream Centre.docx

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Good Morning,

We received material for the meeting today at 1:00pm. It's on the iPad in the April 3 folder.

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 7:09 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX; MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Meeting Material - City Dream Centre

Hi Val,

Please find attached the material in preparation for the Minister's meeting with the City Dream Centre on Tuesday afternoon.

Thank you,

Shanna



**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting request  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 1:24:18 PM

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Hi Shanna,

This meeting below is being held for April 23 at 2:30pm. Can I please have materials drafted?

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Campbell, Sue LBR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 5:25 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX  
**Subject:** meeting request

Hi

I would like to set up a meeting with Minister Simpson and Minister Fraser. The meeting will be to develop a provincial strategy designed to build an Effective Return-to-Work programming as a successful poverty reduction effort for People with Disabilities. I'm looking for ½ hour although an hour may work too. Once we get a date and time, more information will follow.

Proposed dates

April 17, 3:00-3:30

April 18, 3:00-3:30

Thanks

Sue Campbell

Administrative Coordinator

**The Honourable Harry Bains**

Minister of Labour

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Griffiths, Emily OAG:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 10:14:28 AM

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Hi Emily,

We have learned that Ms. Bellringer will be meeting with SDPR's DM in the coming weeks and have been told that this phone call is no longer necessary. Thank you for getting it all arranged and I'm sorry to have to cancel.

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Griffiths, Emily [<mailto:EGriffiths@bcauditor.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 4:50 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi Valerie,

Thanks again for calling. To confirm, I have booked Ms. Bellringer for 30 minutes on Tuesday April 3 at 3:00 PM. Minister Simpson can be reached by Ms. Bellringer at **s.17** The purpose of the call is to discuss the audit of Community Living BC by the Office of the Auditor General, and the Ministry's review of the organization itself to ensure there is no conflict between the two projects. Please let me know if there are any further details I should provide Ms. Bellringer.

Thanks,

Emily Griffiths

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** March 27, 2018 4:34 PM  
**To:** Griffiths, Emily  
**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi Emily,

The Minister does need to speak to her rather urgently and preferable sooner than April 23.

Unfortunately, he can't make 11:30am on April 3<sup>rd</sup> work as he has a multiple Ministers' meeting then.

Is there anything else sooner that can be worked out?

Thanks,

Valerie

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**From:** Griffiths, Emily [<mailto:EGriffiths@bcauditor.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 2:01 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi again Valerie,

Sorry for the delayed reply. I can put something tentative in Ms. Bellringer's calendar for 11:30, if that works for the Minister, only I feel I should be up front about this potentially needing to change. The next day that I'd be able to squeeze a call in would be Monday April 23, and the week of April 20-May 4 looks quite free.

Is the Minister wanting a meeting urgently?

Thanks Valerie,

Emily Griffiths

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** March 26, 2018 3:52 PM

**To:** Griffiths, Emily

**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi Emily,

I'm afraid 3:00pm on March 28<sup>th</sup> won't work. Can we please arrange for the phone call to be at 3:00pm on April 3<sup>rd</sup> instead?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Griffiths, Emily [<mailto:EGriffiths@bcauditor.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2018 3:44 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi Valerie,

I can schedule Ms. Bellringer in for a half hour call at 3:00 on Wednesday, so please let me know if that's preferable for Minister Simpson.

If that is suitable, would you please forward the agenda for the call?

Thanks in advance,

Emily Griffiths

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** March 26, 2018 10:14 AM

**To:** Griffiths, Emily

**Subject:** RE: CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Hi Emily,

Would it be possible to make this a phone call on March 28<sup>th</sup>? If not, then the Minister will have some time on April 3<sup>rd</sup>. He will be in Vancouver so that would have to be a phone call.

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Griffiths, Emily [<mailto:EGriffiths@bcauditor.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2018 9:33 AM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** CLBC Briefing on March 28 (Wednesday)

Good morning Valerie,

Unfortunately, I need to reschedule Ms. Bellringer's briefing on Community Living with Minister Simpson.

I may have some time in Ms. Bellringer's calendar on the afternoon of April 3<sup>rd</sup>, and her next availability is the week of April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

My sincere apologies for any inconvenience.

Best,

**Emily Griffiths**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Lorraine Copas"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Info for Car Rental  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 3:32:07 PM  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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Thank you so much

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**From:** Lorraine Copas [<mailto:lcopas@sparc.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 30, 2018 2:07 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Info for Car Rental

Hi Valerie

Please find attached a copy of the car rental agreement for travel between Fort St. John and Fort Nelson.

Please let me know if you need any other information.

I also mentioned to Leah that technically she and the Minister and Ministry staff only used the car to travel one way so I would be happy to help to cover some of the cost if needed.

Just let me know.

Thanks again, all my best.

**Lorraine Copas**  
Executive Director  
Social Planning and Research Council (SPARC BC)  
4445 Norfolk Street, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 0A7  
(604) 718-7736



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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 10:20 AM  
**To:** Lorraine Copas  
**Subject:** RE: Info for Car Rental

Hi Lorraine,

I am doing up Leah's travel claims for Fort Nelson/FSJ and we need a copy of the actual car rental agreement for our records. Leah got an invoice from National (attached) but it's actually not enough.

Are you able to send me a copy of the rental agreement?

Thank you again for setting all that up, it sounds like the whole trek was quite the adventure!

Best,

Valerie

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**From:** Lorraine Copas [<mailto:lcopas@sparc.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 10:03 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Info for Car Rental

Hi Valerie

I was successful in adding Leah as the driver so we are good to go!

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 21, 2018, at 10:59 AM, McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Lorraine,

Thank you again for accommodating the Minister by bringing a second car to Fort Nelson. Attached is Leah's driver's licence for the second driver information at the car rental place.

Much appreciated!

Valerie

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Sanford, Donna L GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 3:58:08 PM

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Hi Donna,

Great, we can book the meeting for 3:30pm on April 10<sup>th</sup> in room 247. Would you usually get in touch with Bob Dewar to let him know?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Sanford, Donna L GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 2:53 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request

Hi Valerie. I could do the following:

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Between 3:00pm-4:00pm

April 10 – Between 3:30pm-4:00pm

April 12<sup>th</sup> – Between 4:30pm-5:00pm

Thanks,

Donna

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 2:47 PM  
**To:** Sanford, Donna L GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Meeting Request

Hi Donna,

I have been asked to set up a meeting between Minister Simpson, Bob Dewar, and yourself for a ½ hour next week sometime. I have listed some availabilities below, do any of the times work for you?

April 9<sup>th</sup> – Between 3:00pm-4:00pm

April 10 – Between 3:30pm-4:30pm

April 12<sup>th</sup> – Between 4:30pm-6:00pm

Thank you,

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: MSD-2018-82120 Fee Estimate and/or Records  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 10:15:11 AM

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Hi Leah,

I do have responsive records but it shouldn't take more than 3 hours to get together.

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 9:44 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: MSD-2018-82120 Fee Estimate and/or Records

Hi, please let me know if you have responsive records (or if you think it will take more than 3 hours to produce them).

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**From:** Smith, Denise Clair SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 9:15 AM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX; Di Castri, Adriana SDPR:EX; Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** MSD-2018-82120 Fee Estimate and/or Records

Good morning,

Please see the attached Call for Records form for **MSD-2018-82120**.

*All emails, text messages, blackberry message, slack message, WhatsApp messages – excluding attachments – sent from the Administrative Coordinator(s) of the Minister's office (where such a position exists and was staffed at any point during the time frame). (Date Range for Record Search: From 02/01/2018 To 02/28/2018) Date Format: MM/DD/YYYY*

- If you have **no records response**, please let me know on/or before **April 4, 2018**.
- If you will be producing a **fee estimate**, please fill in the fee estimate portion of the Call for **Records form** and return to me by: **April 4, 2018**.
- If you will be providing **records**, please review and identify any harms in the records and return with your records to me by **April 6, 2018**.

A clean copy and a marked copy where HARMS have been identified according to FOI's Exceptions to Disclosure Disclosure ([http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/cio/priv\\_leg/foipppa/foipppa\\_guide.page?#exceptions](http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/cio/priv_leg/foipppa/foipppa_guide.page?#exceptions)) are required.

Please ensure when identifying HARMS that any information to be redacted is highlighted and the corresponding section is noted in pencil. Please flag each page where exceptions are found.

Thank you,

*Denise C Smith*



**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Squance, Leah SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Request  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 2:58:11 PM

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Hey Jayne,

Just getting these set up. Do I need to request materials or anything for the PS Dean meeting? That has landed at 5:30pm on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks

Val

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**From:** Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 29, 2018 10:52 AM  
**To:** Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Request

Hi Val and Casey,

I wonder if you could please set up the following for when the House is back in session. Val – I have emailed you some of these already, but I thought I would put everything in one spot for simplicity:

- Chris Brown & Maryann Anderson  
Monday morning; 30 min  
Briefing on RFQ messaging
- Parliamentary Secretary Mitzi Dean  
Any time the first week back; 30 min  
PS Dean has requested a meeting
- Molly Harrington  
Any time the first week back (before meeting with PSME); 30 min  
PRAF briefing
- Parliamentary Secretary Mable Elmore  
Later in the first week back; 15 min  
Pre-brief on the Poverty Reduction Forum
- PS Elmore & Dawn Hemmingway  
Immediately following the meeting with PS Elmore; 45 min  
Brief on the next Poverty Reduction Forum
- Bob Dewar, Donna Sanford, Molly Harrington & David Galbraith  
First week back; 30 min  
Basic Income Update

I think that's probably all for now. Thanks to you both!

Cheers,

Jayne

Jayne Ducker, Ministerial Assistant

Honourable Shane Simpson - Minister of Social Development & Poverty Reduction

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** FIN FSA MIN OFF, FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 3:31:29 PM  
**Attachments:** Fort St John National Car Rental Agreement.pdf

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Hi Pat,

Attached is the car rental agreement. The reason the Minister requested an SVU was because they would be travelling a long distance in winter conditions.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 9:03 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance  
Hi Valerie,

I talked to Cindy and I will process the claim as is. If you get a copy of the agreement can you send it to me and I will add it to the claim. In case in the future there is a FOI request. Cindy's response was:

So the rental does not follow the CSA (which it should) and it includes the Loss Damage Waiver insurance which is not an eligible expense. It does not show what type of vehicle was rented so am unable to compare to other CSA companies. The bank statement does not show Leah's name. However, the note is good enough to process. Include a note that they have been advised to use the CSA for ALL rentals and must not accept any of the insurances. This is an unusual situation as Mr. Copas might not be able to rent from the CSA.

Cindy

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 4:29 PM  
**To:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance

Hi Pat,

I have attached Leah's Visa statement showing the charge for the car rental. The reason why it is under Jason Copas's name is the Minister didn't have any way of getting from Fort Nelson to Fort St John so staff who were attending the same consultations in Fort Nelson but had flown into Fort St John had picked up a rental car there and drove it up to Fort Nelson so that the Minister/Leah could drive back to Fort St John to make it to the other planned consultation. Mr. Copas made the booking but Leah paid for the vehicle because it was for the Minister. Please let me know if the attached is enough.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 2:56 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance  
Hi Valerie,

The Car Rental is a Invoice but there is no showing of payment. The payer name on the bill is Jason Copas (Can I ask who this is). I need the grand total and the car agreement for auditing.

Because she is asking for reimbursement of \$824.95 I need proof of payment for that amount. And what form of payment was used.

Pat

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 2:40 PM  
**To:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance  
Hi Pat,

Great, thanks. I've attached the receipts for Leah's TV E128470, it is a continuation of TV E128477 travel. All flights were booked on my PCARD and all other charges were made on Leah's personal Visa.

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 1:49 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: TV E128447 Leah Squance  
Hi Valerie,

I have time so I'm process the claim above, would you have the receipts for E128470 as well and I can get them both processed at the same time and in this years budget.

Thank you,

Pat

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 1:27 PM  
**To:** FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Subject:** TV E128447 Leah Squance  
Hello,

Please find attached receipts for Leah Squance's TV E128447.

Thanks,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Squance, Leah SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** BANK OF MONTREAL (MASTERCARD) VMCKNIGHT 8661 03APR18 \$4,639.29  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 2:43:49 PM  
**Attachments:** VMCKNIGHT 8661 03APR18.xlsx  
PCARD April 2018 receipts.pdf

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Hi Leah,

Please find attached my April PCARD reconciliation. If approved, please email to [FINFSAMINOFF@gov.bc.ca](mailto:FINFSAMINOFF@gov.bc.ca). These do need to be submitted by 4:00pm today.

Thanks,

Val

The attached register package is complete, with register (all descriptions, account coding and taxes entered), receipts and forms attached.

Please forward your approval, along with the transaction package to accounts payable for Oracle entry.

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [FIN FSA MIN OFF, FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: BANK OF MONTREAL (MASTERCARD) CVAN WENSEM 3925 04-03-2018 \$155.54  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 1:30:48 PM  
**Attachments:** [CVAN WENSEM 3925 04-03-2018.xlsx](#)  
[PCard Receipts April 2018.pdf](#)

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This is approved.

Thanks,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2018 12:20 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** BANK OF MONTREAL (MASTERCARD) CVAN WENSEM 3925 04-03-2018 \$155.54

The attached register package is complete, with register (all descriptions, account coding and taxes entered), receipts and forms attached.

Please forward your approval, along with the transaction package to accounts payable for Oracle entry.

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: RESPONSE REQUIRED: Proactive Disclosure - Request for Calendar Records - March 2018  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 4:23:16 PM  
**Attachments:** [MSS Calendar March 2018.pdf](#)

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Hi Karen,  
Please find attached Minister Simpson's March 2018 calendar.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 03, 2018 10:32 AM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: RESPONSE REQUIRED: Proactive Disclosure - Request for Calendar Records - March 2018  
**Importance:** High

Request for the Minister's March calendar for the proactive release.

Karen MacMillan  
Manager, Executive Operations  
Deputy Minister's Office  
Ministry of Social Development and  
Poverty Reduction  
778-698-7601

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**From:** CITZ OPEN INFOGROUP CITZ:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 3, 2018 10:01 AM  
**To:** CITZ OI CALENDAR CFR  
**Cc:** CITZ OPEN INFOGROUP CITZ:EX  
**Subject:** RESPONSE REQUIRED: Proactive Disclosure - Request for Calendar Records - March 2018  
**Importance:** High

Regarding [Ministerial Directive 02-2016](#): **DISCLOSURE OF MINISTERS' AND DEPUTY MINISTERS'**

## **CALENDARS**

**Please send your ministers', deputy ministers' and associate deputy ministers' calendar(s) for the month of March 2018**  
**Please send the calendar(s) and harms assessment information by reply email or to the CITZ OPEN INFOGROUP ([Open.InfoGroup@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Open.InfoGroup@gov.bc.ca)) by April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**Please also provide the name or email address of who the approver(s) will be for each calendar you submit**

### **What You Need to Do?**

- 1. Create a PDF of the calendar records**
- 2. Conduct a harms assessment and provide those details**

*\*Detailed instructions are below*

Reminder: Calendars must be provided to IAO not later than 10 calendar days after the end of the month.

### **What Happens Next?**

Upon receipt of the calendar(s), the Open Information analysts will review the records and remove any information that requires redaction. The analysts may contact you if they have any questions about possible harms associated with the records. The records will then be sent for review and approval by your ministry approver.

### **Distribution Lists:**

We look forward to working with you and hope that we've captured the right people on our distribution list. If any names need to be added or deleted, please let us know.  
If you have any questions or concerns, please contact any member of the Open Information team directly or through reply to this email address.

Many thanks,  
IAO Open Information Team  
Ryan Schumm  
Dean Chan  
Neil Frelick  
Matthew Prodan, A/Manager  
Link to [Open Information](#)

#### **DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS AND REDACTION INFORMATION**

##### **1. Produce a PDF of the calendar records**

- Open the calendar you want to print\*
- Select File
- Select Print
- Select Print Options
- Select 'Adobe PDF' as your printer. If this is not available, print the calendar, scan and email the PDF
- Select 'Calendar Detail Style' from the Print Style options
- Select the date range (In the Print Range fields)
- Check the box for 'Hide details of private appointments'
- Select Print
- Save resulting PDF

*\* For minister's calendars, produce only the minister's calendar; Specific MLA or constituency-related duties need not be included.*

##### **2. Conduct a harms assessment and provide those details**

- Prepare and attach one clean copy of the records (no marks, hand written notes, sticky notes or highlighting);
- Prepare and attach one marked copy of the records where any harms are indicated:
- Indicate any personal information contained within any entries not marked Private
- Mark any Cabinet or Treasury Board entries. IAO needs to know if the entry pertains to an item that was prepared for cabinet/treasury board and if it ever went, or will go, to Cabinet or Treasury Board.
- Identify any legal advice or entries that might reveal solicitor-client privilege



- Other

### 3. Redaction Details:

While the calendars are not being redacted under FOIPPA, any redactions must reflect exceptions permitted under FOIPPA. In addition, entries previously considered “not responsive” (e.g. reservation numbers, teleconference information), based on agreement with an FOI applicant, will no longer be deemed not responsive. Instead, any information that would attract an exception permitted under FOIPPA will be redacted with any other information being removed. The below verbiage will be used where information is removed:

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Business Information	21
Personal Information	22

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Reservations"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: ROOM BOOKING - Minister Simpson April 11 3:00pm-4:00pm  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 10:55:45 AM

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Hi Dorothy,

There's no problem bumping the meeting up to 2:30pm. Thanks!!

😊

Val

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**From:** Reservations [<mailto:reservations@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2018 8:40 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: ROOM BOOKING - Minister Simpson April 11 3:00pm-4:00pm

Hi Val,

The best I can do is the Hemlock from 2:30 – 3:30. Can the meeting be changed?

Thanks

Dorothy

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** April 3, 2018 3:40 PM  
**To:** Reservations <[reservations@leg.bc.ca](mailto:reservations@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** ROOM BOOKING - Minister Simpson April 11 3:00pm-4:00pm

Hello,

Can I please book a room for Minister Simpson for about 12 people for April 11 from 3:00pm-4:00pm?

Thank you,

Val

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the*

*Honourable Shane Simpson,*

*Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction*

*Phone: (250) 387-1423 Fax: (250) 356-7292*

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** FIN FSA MIN OFF, FIN FSA MIN OFF FIN:EX  
**Subject:** TV E128473 Leah Squance  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 4:45:42 PM  
**Attachments:** TV E128473 Leah Squance.pdf

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Hi Pat,

Please find attached receipts for Leah Squance's TV E1238473. The Flight was paid on my PCARD and the rest was paid on Leah's personal Visa.

Thanks,

Val

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting with members of Metro Vancouver Alliance  
**Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 3:38:54 PM

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Metro Vancouver Alliance

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**From:** Simpson.MLA, Shane [mailto:Shane.Simpson.MLA@leg.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 9:19 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Meeting with members of Metro Vancouver Alliance

Hi Val,

MSS has agreed to meet with some constituents who are part of MVA and other local groups, but as they are interested in Ministry topics, Leah suggested I sent it over to you to set up. They previously had a meeting here booked that we needed to reschedule.

I have been working with Reverend Margaret Marquardt (Eco-Justice Unit of the Anglican Church). She can be reached at s.22 and 778-918-0189 (work mobile)

The meeting would also include Tracy Maynard of MVA, Colleen Fuller of REACH Clinic and Vivian Siegert of the Urban Aboriginal Anglican Ministry.

Thanks!  
Anne



**Anne Vavrik | Constituency Assistant |**  
**The Honourable Shane Simpson 洗崇山 | MLA Vancouver-Hastings |**  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie S DPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Nico Slobinsky"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation - Shabbat Dinner with the Jewish Community  
**Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 11:06:20 AM

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Great, thank you. I have the evening of April 27<sup>th</sup> confirmed in the Minister's calendar.

Kind Regards,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nico Slobinsky [<mailto:nslobinsky@cija.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2018 9:29 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie S DPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation - Shabbat Dinner with the Jewish Community

Here is the address: Unit 25 - 788 W. 15th. Dinner will start at 7:15 pm. I will be on site and available on 604-340-2437.

Thank you again for working with me in coordinating this Shabbat Dinner.

Best Regards,  
Nico

**Nicolas Slobinsky**  
*Director, Pacific Region*  
*The Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs (CIJA)*

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**From:** Nico Slobinsky  
**Sent:** April 4, 2018 12:30 AM  
**To:** 'McKnight, Valerie S DPR:EX' <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: Invitation - Shabbat Dinner with the Jewish Community

Hi Valerie,

Friday, April 27 would work best. I will send the address and start time shortly as well as a list of confirmed RSVPs. s.22 look forward to hosting the Minister and his s.22

Please note that I am happy to answer any question regarding Shabbat practices, what to expect and anything else.

Best Regards,  
Nico

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** April 3, 2018 10:24 AM  
**To:** Nico Slobinsky <[nslobinsky@cija.ca](mailto:nslobinsky@cija.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: Invitation - Shabbat Dinner with the Jewish Community

Good Morning,

Thank you for your invitation. Minister Simpson and his s.22 ;, would be happy to join and are available any of the evenings proposed. Please let me know what night works best for all.

Kind Regards,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nico Slobinsky [<mailto:nslobinsky@cija.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 21, 2018 5:36 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Invitation - Shabbat Dinner with the Jewish Community  
**Importance:** High

Centre For Israel and Jewish Affairs  
Pacific Region  
950 West 41<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Suite 300  
Vancouver, BC  
V5Z 2N7X

The Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
MLA Vancouver-Hastings

Dear Minister Simpson,

I write to you on behalf of the [Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs](http://Centre for Israel and Jewish Affairs) (CIJA), the advocacy agent of the Jewish Federations of Canada to extend an invitation for

you to join a Shabbat Community Dinner hosted by Glenn Bullard (BCTF Executive) and Shelley Rivkin (VP Community Relations with the Jewish Federation). We would be honoured to host you and your spouse on a Friday evening as we gather around the table to break bread together. Should this be something that you would like to pursue, I would be happy to work with your office to look for a suitable date. Currently, we are hoping that you would accept our invitation and join us on either of the following Fridays: April 20, April 27, May 4 or May 11. In the meantime, please find below general information about Shabbat and what to expect:

#### General Information About Shabbat

- Shabbat is Judaism's day of rest and seventh day of the week. This day of rest that lasts from sundown on Friday evening through nightfall on Saturday night.
- Shabbat is celebrated and observed in different ways by Jews of different backgrounds and religious denominations (the 3 main one being Orthodox, Conservative and Reform with several smaller movements alongside them) all across Canada and the world. There are a number of things that observant Jews will famously not do on Shabbat (such as driving, working, or turning on a light switch), and there are a host of things Jews will do in order to "make the Shabbat a delight".
- Just before dinner women will light Shabbat candles, but in many families men light, too. After candle lighting, everybody will probably sit down at the table to bless the wine (kiddush) and the bread (challah).
- Shabbat gives people the opportunity to contemplate the spiritual aspects of life and rest, while enjoying a great meal and conversation in the warmth of Jewish traditions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you have any questions about the dinner. I am here to help or answer any questions, my direct line is 604-340-2437

Looking forward to hearing from you and to hopefully seeing you soon.

Best Regards,  
Nico

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: SIGNED RFL  
**Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:26:04 AM

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I'm pretty sure that the one he signed. The title of the document changed and the one you attached is the same as the one he signed. Jayne sent it to him yesterday evening.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 05, 2018 9:23 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: SIGNED RFL

Val, Leah and Jayne asked for changes yesterday afternoon. David didn't have a chance to review before late in the day. Attached is the RFL with the changes that were requested. Sorry but we will need the Minister signature on this one.

Karen

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:08 AM  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** SIGNED RFL

Good Morning,

Please find attached the signed RFL.

Thanks,  
Val

**Valerie McKnight**  
*Administrative Coordinator to the  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Update RFL as requested  
**Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:34:52 AM  
**Attachments:** s.12

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Here you go, sorry for the hassle!!!!

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**From:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 04, 2018 4:54 PM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Update RFL as requested

Here is the updated RFL with the change you requested. Please have the Minister sign and return to this office. Thank you

Karen MacMillan  
Manager, Executive Operations  
Deputy Minister's Office  
Ministry of Social Development and  
Poverty Reduction  
778-698-7601

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** SIGNED RFL  
**Date:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:07:46 AM  
**Attachments:** S.12

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Good Morning,

Please find attached the signed RFL.

Thanks,

Val

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Caller: Harminder Dhillon  
**Date:** Friday, April 6, 2018 2:13:52 PM

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Hi Karen,

Harminder Dhillon, Richmond, Manager at WorkBC Office, 604 231-8326

They called to discuss having WorkBC pension cheques distributed from SDPR offices instead of WorkBC offices.

Thanks,

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for week of April 9, 2018  
**Date:** Friday, April 6, 2018 2:58:53 PM

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Hi Dawn,

I can confirm Minister Simpson will be attending all the meetings below.

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, April 06, 2018 1:31 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for week of April 9, 2018  
**Importance:** High

Hi Valerie,

Can I please get Min. Simpson's attendance confirmation on the following meetings next week.

HWG – April 9            4:00 - 4:30 p.m.  
CCWG – April 10        1:30 – 3:15 p.m.  
MHAWG – April 10    4:30 – 5:30 p.m.  
Cabinet – April 11     9:15 – 11:30 a.m.

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown  
Cabinet Operations|Office of the Premier  
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Ph: 250.387.5553 / Cell: 778.584.0197

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting April 18, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 9, 2018 1:04:03 PM

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Hi Dawn,

Minister Simpson will be attending.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 09, 2018 1:03 PM  
**To:** Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Banh, Lindsay EDUC:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Cavanagh, Judy PREM:EX; Chandler, Alex FIN:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Christensen, Suzanne PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Drew, Ashley ENV:EX; Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Fullaway, Elijah HLTH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Gunn, Paula MCF:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Hay, Lorna JTT:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Holt, Lynne FIN:EX; Iliffe, Liam GCPE:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Johnson, Lisa E AGRI:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Marshall, Samantha EMPR:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McGregor-Schenk, Paige X FIN:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Michell, Jennifer FIN:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Morton, Kaitlin MCF:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX; Neves, Gilbert FIN:EX; Nicholson, Riley FIN:EX; Olson, Lianna FIN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Purdy, Sandra FLNR:EX; Reid, Heidi FIN:EX; Ringma, Shalegh FIN:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Russell, Shannon CITZ:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Shaw, Brea BRDO:EX; Silverio, Lisa FLNR:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Talbot, Sarena AEST:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; Wensink, Alison PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX; Wilson, Cherie MCF:EX; Wong, Tamarra PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting April 18, 2018  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

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**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact [Layne Clark](#), and CC: [Michelle Massy](#), and myself for the [attendance survey](#).

## **CABINET**

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

s.15

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown

Cabinet Operations|Office of the Premier

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Housing Working group meeting April 18, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 9, 2018 1:08:39 PM

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Hi Dawn,

Minister Simpson will be attending.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 09, 2018 1:06 PM  
**To:** Andrade, Ana MAH:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Connor, Tamara LASS:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Dube, Jonathan FIN:EX; Gedney, Vanessa R MAH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Madevon, Solenn LASS:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Moran, Jennifer OHCS:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Thomson, Lia MAH:EX; Virk, Rajmeet LASS:EX; Viveiros, Natalia MAH:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; Wong, Tamarra PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Housing Working group meeting April 18, 2018  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact [Christine White](#), and **CC: Brenda Lennox**, and myself for the [attendance survey](#).

**HWG**

Wednesday, April 18, 2018

2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**s.15**

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["WScarrett@hsabc.org"](mailto:WScarrett@hsabc.org)  
**Subject:** RE: Guest Invitation - 2018 HSA Convention – April 27 & 28  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:59:45 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on the invitation to attend the 2018 HAS Convention on April 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Unfortunately, the Minister is unable to attend and sends his regrets. Thank you kindly for the invitation.

Regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the  
Honourable Shane Simpson,  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
Phone: (250) 387-1423 Fax: (250) 356-7292*

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**From:** Wendy Scarrett [<mailto:WScarrett@hsabc.org>]  
**Sent:** Friday, March 23, 2018 3:30 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX; Simpson.MLA, Shane L LASS:EX  
**Subject:** Guest Invitation - 2018 HSA Convention – April 27 & 28

**To the Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction**

**Re: 2018 HSA Convention – April 27 & 28  
Hyatt Regency Hotel, 655 Burrard Street, Vancouver BC**

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Dear Shane,

I am pleased to extend an invitation for you and one guest to attend the 2018 Health Sciences Association's Annual Convention.

If you are able to attend our Convention as a guest, please complete the attached HSA Guest Registration Form and return it to my assistant, @ [Wendy Scarrett](#) or fax (604-515-8874). She will be happy to assist you in planning your Convention attendance.

We would appreciate receiving this form by **Friday, March 30, 2018.**

Also attached for your convenience, is the draft Convention Agenda.

In solidarity,

*Val Avery*

Val Avery  
President

## **HEALTH SCIENCES ASSOCIATION OF BC**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Catherine Ludgate"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 2:32:00 PM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)  
[image003.png](#)  
[image004.png](#)  
[image005.png](#)  
[image006.png](#)

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Hi Catherine,

Minister Simpson will be available again in Vancouver on May 2 or May 3. Would a time on either of those days work for a tour?

Thank you,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the  
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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 02, 2018 8:12 PM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Great, and thanks. Valerie, if you send me some dates when the Minister is in Vancouver, I'll test those against what might work for Pigeon Park. Thanks!

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX [<mailto:Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:08 PM  
**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX <[Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>  
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**Date:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 9:03:05 AM  
**Attachments:** Scan\_20180315.pdf

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Val

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SDPR:EX <Whitney.Borowko@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** Poverty Reduction Community Meetings

Hello,

Please be advised that the ministry has sent news releases to media about upcoming poverty reduction community meetings. The releases are attached to this email, and I have also included the online links for the news releases.

Thank you and take care,  
Stacey

Meeting in North Vancouver:  
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000295>

Meetings in Vancouver, Downtown East Side, and Vancouver:  
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000293>

Meeting in Coquitlam:  
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000294>

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** JTT CSSP Secretariat JTT:EX  
**Subject:** RE: SSP - Confirmation of Attendance for April 18th/ Cancelling April 23rd  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 11:15:47 AM

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Hello,

Minister Simpson will be attending.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** JTT CSSP Secretariat JTT:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 11:11 AM  
**To:** Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Silverio, Lisa FLNR:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Johnson, Lisa E AGRI:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Madevon, Solenn LASS:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX  
**Cc:** JTT CSSP Secretariat JTT:EX  
**Subject:** SSP - Confirmation of Attendance for April 18th/ Cancelling April 23rd

Good morning,

The next Sustainable Shared Prosperity Committee (SSP) meeting is April 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:15-9:00pm in  
**s.15**

**Please confirm the attendance of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.**

If requesting leave for April 18<sup>th</sup> SSP, send to Amanda Robb, and cc: Sveah Hourston.

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**\*Please also note that we are cancelling the Monday April 23<sup>rd</sup> 7:00 to 9:00pm SSP meeting. Please remove the entry from your members calendar. \***

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Sveah Hourston,  
SSP Secretariat

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "andree.porter@bccassn.com"  
**Subject:** Construction Leadership Dinner RSVP  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 12:01:30 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on the invitation to attend the Construction Leadership Dinner on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Unfortunately, the Minister is unable to attend and sends his regrets. Thank you kindly for the invitation.

Best Regards,

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** s.22 ; "paddy.rodney@ubc.ca"  
**Subject:** FW: BC Poverty Reduction Written Submission  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 11:32:11 AM

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Good Morning,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your request for a meeting. Minister Simpson would be happy to meet with your group to discuss poverty reduction strategies. He has some availability in Vancouver on May 3, would your group be available that morning for a meeting? It would be at the **s.15**  
**s.15**

Thank you kindly for your request.

Best regards,  
**Valerie McKnight**  
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**From:** J. Anderson [mailto:s.22]  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 31, 2018 10:55 AM  
**To:** SDPR BC Poverty Reduction SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** BC Poverty Reduction Written Submission

The Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development & Poverty Reduction  
PO Box 9058 Stn Prov Govt  
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[BCPovertyReduction@gov.bc.ca](mailto:BCPovertyReduction@gov.bc.ca)

March 29, 2018

Dear Minister,

We commend the Government of British Columbia for developing a poverty reduction strategy, and we thank you for the opportunity to provide input. Some of us attended the community meeting in North Vancouver on March 3, 2018, and were inspired by the conversation and recommendations that came from that meeting.

We are an interdisciplinary group of academics, health care and social service practitioners,



and community leaders who share a commitment to social justice in health care and social services. We are a self-funded Think Tank, and we convene annually at the Sylvia Hotel in Vancouver. The first meeting was held in 2015. The theme of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual meeting, held in 2017, was, “Mobilizing knowledge to address poverty and health.” This submission is one of the outcomes from that 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you, or one of your representatives, to engage in a conversation about poverty reduction, and to assist in any capacity that might be helpful in working towards poverty reduction in this province.

In response to your call for input on poverty reduction, we are sending our submission by e-mail. Dr. Joan Anderson s.22 and Dr. Paddy Rodney ([paddy.rodney@ubc.ca](mailto:paddy.rodney@ubc.ca)) are the primary contacts. If you wish to respond to our email submission, please “Reply All” to include those listed in the cc to ensure that we all have timely access to your response.

We thank you again for the chance to contribute to a poverty reduction strategy in our province.

Sincerely,

**Joan Anderson**, PhD, RN, Professor Emerita, School of Nursing, UBC

**Heather McDonald**, PhD, RN, Health Policy and Quality Officer, Seabird Island Band

**Vera Radyo**, MA, Executive Director, Kenoli Foundation, and former citizen judge & executive director of MOSAIC

**Sheryl Reimer-Kirkham**, PhD, RN, Professor, School of Nursing, Trinity Western University

**Patricia (Paddy) Rodney**, PhD, RN, Associate Professor, School of Nursing, UBC; Faculty Associate, W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, UBC; Research Associate, Providence Health Care Ethics Services

**Brenda Sawatzky-Girling**, MHA, BASc (Human Nutrition), Health Care Consultant and PhD Candidate, School of Population & Public Health, UBC

*A sub-group of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual “Sylvia” Think Tank (2017), Vancouver, BC.*

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "Christina.Clarke@songheesnation.com"  
**Subject:** Invitation to NAIG reception  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:55:51 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on the invitation to attend the North American Indigenous Games Reception on April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Unfortunately, the Minister is unable to attend and sends his regrets. Thank you kindly for the invitation.

Best Regards,

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for MHAWG meeting April 17, 2018  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 3:46:43 PM

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Hello,

Minister Simpson will be attending.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:28 PM  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Enemark, Gord FIN:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harrison, Veronica EDUC:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Lindsay-Baugh, Anna MMHA:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for MHAWG meeting April 17, 2018  
**Importance:** High

Good afternoon,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

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If requesting leave, please contact [Sarah Gotto](#), and CC: [Monica Gervais](#), and myself for the [attendance survey](#).

**MHAWG**

Tuesday, April 17, 2018  
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

s.15

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown  
Cabinet Operations|Office of the Premier  
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Ph: 250.387.5553 / Cell: 778.584.0197

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Andrew Brown"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:21:57 PM

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That would be great, thanks.

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**From:** Andrew Brown [<mailto:abrown@bcasw.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:02 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Thanks. I will run it by our President and get back to you ASAP. Please pencil us in. We will forward four or five questions to guide the discussion in advance of the meeting if that is OK with the Minister.

**Andrew Brown MSW RSW**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** April-12-18 1:45 PM  
**To:** 'Andrew Brown'  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Hi Andrew,

The meeting would be in Vancouver.

Thanks,  
Valerie

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**From:** Andrew Brown [<mailto:abrown@bcasw.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:44 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Hi Valerie,

In Victoria or Vancouver?

**Andrew Brown MSW RSW**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** April-12-18 1:31 PM  
**To:** 'Andrew Brown'  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Hi Andrew,

To follow up, Minister Simpson is available the morning of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, are you available that morning for a meeting?

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Andrew Brown [<mailto:abrown@bcasw.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 15, 2018 11:01 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Hi Valerie,

That would be perfect. I will be gone but the regular Executive Director, Dianne Heath, and our Board President Michael Crawford will attend.

Let me know when you have some potential dates and times and I will set it up before I go.

**Andrew Brown MSW RSW**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** March-15-18 10:29 AM  
**To:** 'Andrew Brown'  
**Subject:** RE: BCASW meeting

Hi Andrew,

I should be no problem arranging something for the end of April. Can I follow up with you in April when I have confirmed times that he will be in Vancouver?

Thanks,  
Valerie

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**From:** Andrew Brown [<mailto:abrown@bcasw.org>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 11:31 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** BCASW meeting

Hello Valerie,

Sorry for the delay in getting back to you. Would we be able to book an appointment later in April or early May?

Thank you,

Andrew

**Andrew Brown MSW RSW**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Nam, Jenny"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:47:41 PM

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Thank you very much.

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**From:** Nam, Jenny [<mailto:Jenny.Nam@bcwomensfoundation.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:42 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Please find enclosed. The outline includes one of the recently completed project(Newborn intensive Care Unit NICU) and planned initiatives at BC Women's.

Thank you,  
Jenny

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:11 PM  
**To:** Nam, Jenny  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Hi Jenny,

In your original letter, there was mention about a capital expansion project, would it be possible for you to email me that information?

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nam, Jenny [<mailto:Jenny.Nam@bcwomensfoundation.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 11:58 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

It's be just her attending the meeting. Thank you!

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 11:57 AM  
**To:** Nam, Jenny  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Great, I'm glad that will work. Will anyone be attending with Ms. Greening? I'll send the calendar invite shortly.

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nam, Jenny [<mailto:Jenny.Nam@bcwomensfoundation.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 11:43 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Hi Valerie,

Yes! 9am on May 3<sup>rd</sup> is available.

Would you be able to send a calendar invite to [genesa.greening@bcwomensfoundation.org](mailto:genesa.greening@bcwomensfoundation.org) and I will accept it on her behalf.

Many thanks,  
Jenny

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 11:40 AM  
**To:** Nam, Jenny  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Hi Jenny,

To follow up on arranging this meeting now that I have confirmed dates, is 9:00am on May 3<sup>rd</sup> still available? The Minister could meet at the **s.15**

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nam, Jenny [<mailto:Jenny.Nam@bcwomensfoundation.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:47 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

That will be great, and I will put a hold in Genesa's calendar.

In the meantime, her availability in the first week of May are:

May 1, anytime  
May 2, 9-12pm  
May 3, 9-11am, 2-4pm  
May 4, anytime

Many thanks,  
Jenny

**Jenny Nam**  
Executive Assistant to CEO & Board of Directors

**BC Women's Hospital + Health Centre Foundation**  
D310 – 4500 Oak Street, Vancouver, BC V6H 3N1



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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:20 PM  
**To:** Nam, Jenny  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Hi Jenny,

Minister Simpson should be available again the first week of May, I will follow up shortly when I have what day he is available confirmed.

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nam, Jenny [<mailto:Jenny.Nam@bcwomensfoundation.org>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:00 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Hello Valerie,

Thank you for your email. Would you be able to provide me with an alternate times in April and May?

Warm regards,  
Jenny



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**From:** Greening, Genesa  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 2:22 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Nam, Jenny  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting Request from the Minsitry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

I am away next week. However, I have copied my EA to help us find an alternative time.

**Genesa M. Greening, CFRE**

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On Mar 22, 2018, at 2:21 PM, McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your request to meet from November 2017. I apologize for the delay in arranging a meeting. The Minister will be in Vancouver on March 29<sup>th</sup> and is available to meet that morning at 10:30am. Please let me know if you are available at that time for a meeting and, if not, we can look into arranging an alternate time for you and the Minister to connect.

Thank you kindly for your request.

Best Regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

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<Meeting Request.pdf>

**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "Sharon Prescott"  
**Subject:** RE: RSVP CUPE Convention 2018  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 9:04:58 AM

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Hi Sharon,

The Minister's Senior Ministerial Assistant, Leah Squance, will be attending the Premier's speech with the Minister.

Thanks,  
Valerie

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**From:** Sharon Prescott [mailto:sprescott@cupe.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 4:43 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Shirley Loftus  
**Subject:** RE: RSVP CUPE Convention 2018

Thanks Valerie – please advise if the Minister is bringing any staff as we will need their name so they have a guest credential to sit in the visitor's gallery for the Premier's speech. Unfortunately due to limited space, staff are not invited to the luncheon. Thanks, Sharon

*Sharon Prescott  
Director of Operations  
CUPE BC Division*

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca]  
**Sent:** April-11-18 4:27 PM  
**To:** Sharon Prescott  
**Subject:** RSVP CUPE Convention 2018

Good Afternoon,

Minister Shane Simpson would like to confirm that he will be attending the lunch on April 20<sup>th</sup> along with Premier Horgan's Keynote afterward. Thank you kindly for the invitation.

Best Regards,  
**Valerie McKnight**  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Nicole Rogers"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: SFU in Victoria: Meeting request for President Andrew Petter  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 4:18:33 PM

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Hi Nicole,

Great, I'm glad that will work. Minister Simpson's office is **s.15** at the Legislature.

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Nicole Rogers [<mailto:nrogers@sfu.ca>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:49 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Re: SFU in Victoria: Meeting request for President Andrew Petter

Fantastic! Let's confirm the time and place and I'll get you the list of participants and discussion topics!

**Nicole Rogers**  
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On Apr 12, 2018, at 1:42 PM, McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
<[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Thank you for your request to meet with Minister Shane Simpson. The Minister would be happy to meet and is available the afternoon of April 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm, would that time work for President Petter?

Thank you,  
**Valerie McKnight**  
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**From:** Nicole Rogers [<mailto:nrogers@sfu.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 4, 2018 3:00 PM  
**To:** Minister, LBR LBR:EX; CC Minister MCF:EX; Minister, TRD JTT:EX; Minister, EDUC

EDUC:EX; Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX; Minister, CITZ CITZ:EX; Minister, AEST AEST:EX; Hon.  
Lana Popham  
**Subject:** SFU in Victoria: Meeting request for President Andrew Petter

Good afternoon,

President Petter is looking forward to welcoming you to the **SFU Government Caucus Lunch on April 16th** and introducing members of his executive team, faculty deans, and SFU Board of Governors vice-chair, Chris Lewis.

In addition to the lunch, the president and most of the SFU delegation will be in Victoria from **mid-day on April 16 to mid-day on April 18th** and would welcome the opportunity to meet with you and staff to discuss how SFU might support the priorities of the ministry and the government. I would be happy to follow up with proposed items for discussion and list of attendees.

I look forward to hearing from your office. Please don't hesitate to have them contact me directly, if I can provide additional information.

Best regards, Nicole



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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Squance, Leah SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: social development and poverty reduction  
**Date:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 3:53:57 PM

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Sure, I'll email with some availabilities.

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**From:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:53 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: social development and poverty reduction

Hey Val. Could I please trouble you to get in touch with Julie and set up this meeting for MSS in Victoria? We also want to include Mitzi Dean in this meeting, so I have a request out to Kim Manton for that, but have yet to hear back (it shouldn't be too long). I can let you know when I hear back from Kim, but thought we should get this ball rolling with Julie. What do you think?

Brenda

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 10:44 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: social development and poverty reduction

Meeting request for the Minister.

Thanks Val!

Greg  
Greg Visco  
778 698-4835

-----Original Message-----

**From:** s.22 [\[mailto:s.22\]](mailto:s.22)  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:43 AM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** social development and poverty reduction

Dear Shane Simpson;

I have been facilitating a small business training program for women in, or transitioning from, sex work.

This class is funded by the Ministry of Justice, through Civil Forfeiture grants to Peers Victoria.

I am looking for additional opportunities to provide employment supports for people in or from the

sex industry.

Would you be open to a meeting to discuss this particular community's challenges and potential?

Best regards,

s.22

s.22



**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: s.22  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 2:42:06 PM

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Hi Karen,  
s.22

Thanks,  
**Valerie McKnight**  
*Administrative Coordinator to the  
Honourable Shane Simpson,  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
Phone: (250) 387-1423 Fax: (250) 356-7292*

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Catherine Ludgate"](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 3:00:22 PM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)  
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Hi Catherine,

Great, we arrange for the Minister to come to your location for 1:30pm. I will enquire about other activities that the Minister can do and follow up with you soon.

Thanks,

Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 6:21 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings

Let's do the afternoon of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, then. Would the Minister and Molly like to do anything else in the neighbourhood, at the same time? We could organize lunch at Potluck Café, if they'd like to see a social enterprise in action, or set up a meeting with folks from Megaphone, to hear about the street magazine and survival vending? Happy to set up anything that would be interesting and informative for you folks!

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 11:40 AM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings

Hi Catherine,

I'm afraid that week the Minister is committed to ministry travel through the interior and would be unable come to Pigeon Park either of those days. I think given the Minister's current commitments we should arrange for a time on May 2 or 3 and then depending on the outcome, revisit the possibility of a tour on a cheque issue day in the summer. Would that work?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 8:55 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings

One more thought, Valerie, and sorry for dragging this out. Will the house still be in recess at the end of May? Any chance the Minister might be able to come on Welfare Day in late May? May 23<sup>rd</sup> is cheque day and May 24<sup>th</sup> likely busy and instructive as well... if not, I'll arrange for May 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:17 PM

**To:** 'McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX' <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

That makes sense. I didn't realize the house is in session.

Let me check with colleagues at Pigeon Park.

Thanks for the details!

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:16 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Hi Catherine,

With the Legislature in Session, the Minister is obligated to be in Victoria on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. The Legislature is rising for the week of April 30<sup>th</sup> which is why he is available on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. I'm afraid we wouldn't be able to arrange anything for a cheque issue day, my apologies.

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 2:37 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Valerie, is there any chance he might be in town on Welfare Day (April 25) or the day after? That would give him a true sense of what happens at Pigeon Park. If that is not the case, I'll work with Pigeon Park on one of the two offered days.

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 2:32 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Hi Catherine,

Minister Simpson will be available again in Vancouver on May 2 or May 3. Would a time on either of those days work for a tour?

Thank you,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the*

*Honourable Shane Simpson,*

*Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction*

*Phone: (250) 387-1423 Fax: (250) 356-7292*

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Monday, April 02, 2018 8:12 PM

**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX

**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Great, and thanks. Valerie, if you send me some dates when the Minister is in Vancouver, I'll test those against what might work for Pigeon Park. Thanks!

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX [<mailto:Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:08 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX <[Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Thanks again for the invitation. The Minister would love to do a tour. I've copied our Administrative Coordinator, Valerie McKnight, who will follow up next week to find a time that works.

Thanks!

Leah

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 11:44 PM

**To:** McGaghey Jones, Stacey SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Folks, have any of you been inside Pigeon Park Savings (PPS), our alternative banking branch in the DTES? We opened it in 2004, the day the Province closed Four Corners, and 1200 neighbours living in poverty were about to be "unbanked." Today, PPS banks ~4000 members in the neighbourhood, who live in chronic poverty, and have no other access to financial services (or might resort to payday lenders or unscrupulous landlords). Would you and the Minister find it instructive to visit PPS? It is a really interesting partnership between the credit union and a community organization: the staff at PPS are all Portland Hotel Society workers, and Vancity provides the back office support. We believe it works so well because it meets the members of PPS exactly where they are, and listens to what they need.

Access to basic banking services, and non-predatory cheque cashing, is so important but not well available. There is federal legislation about banks having to provide basic cheque cashing but I do not believe there is a corollary in the province about credit unions. So much to be done.

Let me know, and thanks!

Catherine

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**From:** McGaghey Jones, Stacey SDPR:EX [<mailto:Stacey.McGagheyJones@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 1:03 PM

**To:** 'Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca' <[Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca](mailto:Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca)>; 'exdir@bcands.bc.ca'

<[exdir@bcands.bc.ca](mailto:exdir@bcands.bc.ca)>; 'n.boock@lmofcs.ca' <[n.boock@lmofcs.ca](mailto:n.boock@lmofcs.ca)>; 'ccasimer@fns.bc.ca'

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s.22 ; Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>;

s.22 ; 'jmatthews@tapsbc.ca'

<[jmatthews@tapsbc.ca](mailto:jmatthews@tapsbc.ca)>; 'rmcgregor@cfswl.ca' <[rmcgregor@cfswl.ca](mailto:rmcgregor@cfswl.ca)>;

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'lvarley@bcaafc.com' <[lvarley@bcaafc.com](mailto:lvarley@bcaafc.com)>

**Cc:** Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX <[Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca)>; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX

<[Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca)>; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX <[Jayne.Ducker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jayne.Ducker@gov.bc.ca)>; Connor, Tamara

LASS:EX <[Tamara.Connor@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Tamara.Connor@leg.bc.ca)>; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>;

'Debbie.Campbell@bcgeu.ca' <[Debbie.Campbell@bcgeu.ca](mailto:Debbie.Campbell@bcgeu.ca)>; 'Brian.Gardiner@bcgeu.ca'

<[Brian.Gardiner@bcgeu.ca](mailto:Brian.Gardiner@bcgeu.ca)>; 'Sienna@success.bc.ca' <[Sienna@success.bc.ca](mailto:Sienna@success.bc.ca)>; Borowko, Whitney

SDPR:EX <[Whitney.Borowko@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Whitney.Borowko@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Poverty Reduction Community Meetings

Hello,

Please be advised that the ministry has sent news releases to media about upcoming poverty reduction community meetings. The releases are attached to this email, and I have also included the online links for the news releases.

Thank you and take care,

Stacey

Meeting in North Vancouver:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000295>

Meetings in Vancouver, Downtown East Side, and Vancouver:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000293>

Meeting in Coquitlam:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000294>

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting April 26, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 12:59:12 PM

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Hello,

Minister Simpson will be attending.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 12:08 PM  
**To:** Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Banh, Lindsay EDUC:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Cavanagh, Judy PREM:EX; Chandler, Alex FIN:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Christensen, Suzanne PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Demelo, Paula IRR:EX; Drew, Ashley ENV:EX; Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Fullaway, Elijah HLTH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Gunn, Paula MCF:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Hay, Lorna JTT:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Holt, Lynne FIN:EX; Iliffe, Liam GCPE:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Johnson, Lisa E AGRI:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McGregor-Schenk, Paige X FIN:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Michell, Jennifer FIN:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Morton, Kaitlin MCF:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX; Neves, Gilbert FIN:EX; Nicholson, Riley FIN:EX; Olson, Lianna FIN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Purdy, Sandra FLNR:EX; Reid, Heidi FIN:EX; Ringma, Shalegh FIN:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Russell, Shannon CITZ:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Shaw, Brea BRDO:EX; Silverio, Lisa FLNR:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Talbot, Sarena AEST:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; Wensink, Alison PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX; Wilson, Cherie MCF:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting April 26, 2018  
**Importance:** High

Good morning,

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**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact Layne Clark, and **CC: Michelle Massy, and myself for the attendance survey.**

**CABINET**

Thursday, April 26, 2018

2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown  
Cabinet Operations|Office of the Premier  
Room 033| 617 Government Street, Victoria, B.C. | V8W 9V1  
Ph: 250.387.5553 / Cell: 778.584.0197

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting Wednesday, April 25, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 12:59:45 PM

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Hello,  
Minister Simpson will be attending.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 12:07 PM  
**To:** Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Banh, Lindsay EDUC:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Cavanagh, Judy PREM:EX; Chandler, Alex FIN:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Christensen, Suzanne PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Demelo, Paula IRR:EX; Drew, Ashley ENV:EX; Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Fullaway, Elijah HLTH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Gunn, Paula MCF:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Hay, Lorna JTT:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Holt, Lynne FIN:EX; Iliffe, Liam GCPE:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Johnson, Lisa E AGRI:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McGregor-Schenk, Paige X FIN:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Michell, Jennifer FIN:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Morton, Kaitlin MCF:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX; Neves, Gilbert FIN:EX; Nicholson, Riley FIN:EX; Olson, Lianna FIN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Purdy, Sandra FLNR:EX; Reid, Heidi FIN:EX; Ringma, Shalegh FIN:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Russell, Shannon CITZ:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Shaw, Brea BRDO:EX; Silverio, Lisa FLNR:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Talbot, Sarena AEST:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; Wensink, Alison PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX; Wilson, Cherie MCF:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX

**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting Wednesday, April 25, 2018

**Importance:** High

Good morning,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact [Layne Clark](#), and **CC: Michelle Massy**, and myself for the [attendance survey](#).

**CABINET**

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

s.15

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Social Initiatives Committee meeting April 16, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 2:47:39 PM

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Hi Dawn,  
Both requests are approved.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 8:46 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Social Initiatives Committee meeting April 16, 2018  
**Importance:** High  
Hi Val,

Please confirm if leave has been approved for Min. Beare and if late arrival has been approved for Min. Mark.

Thank you,  
Dawn A. Brown  
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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 9, 2018 1:03 PM  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Social Initiatives Committee meeting April 16, 2018  
Hi Dawn,  
Minister Simpson will be attending.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 09, 2018 1:02 PM  
**To:** Banh, Lindsay EDUC:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Connor, Tamara LASS:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Dube, Jonathan FIN:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Gunn, Paula MCF:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harrison, Veronica EDUC:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Kang, Gurbrinder LASS:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Morton, Kaitlin MCF:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Reid, Heidi FIN:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Russell, Shannon CITZ:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Talbot, Sarena AEST:EX; Virk, Rajmeet LASS:EX; Wade, Debbie MMHA:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; Wall, Selina LASS:EX; Wensink, Alison PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX; Wilson, Cherie MCF:EX; Wong, Tamarra PREM:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX

**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Social Initiatives Committee meeting April 16, 2018

Good afternoon,

Please confirm the attendance of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact [Valerie McKnight](#), and CC: [Teresa Kovacs](#), and myself for the

attendance survey.

**SI**

Monday, April 16, 2018

6:45 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.

**s.15**

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 11:02:58 AM  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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I can call Tamara and see if Mable is free the afternoon of May 15<sup>th</sup>, we could probably make it work.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 11:01 AM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Stefan says ideally they'd like to meet with both but are ok with either one.

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 2:35 PM  
**To:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Brenda, could you please phone Stefan to clarify who they want to meet with? The formal one at the bottom says MSS, further up it says PSME.

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**From:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:52 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Not sure. Leah?

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:49 PM  
**To:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Yes he said he wants to meet, the request is for Mable but just to confirm, I'm setting it up for MSS right?

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:42 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Have we dealt with this one yet? Looks like a meeting we should send him to methinks.

Brenda

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 4:14 PM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Run by MSS?

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 8:06 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Morning Val,

Meeting invite for the Minister for you.

Thanks!

Greg

**Greg Visco**  
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**From:** Stefan Nielsen [<mailto:SNielsen@ufcw1518.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 9, 2018 4:43 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Let's work together! Meet with us May 15

Hello,

As discussed by phone earlier today, here is the invitation sent on April 5<sup>th</sup>.

And, as I mentioned we would also be interested in meeting with Mable Elmore on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Please let me know if you need any more information. I'm easiest to reach by email or on my cell phone (604-833-4497).

Thank you,

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Stefan Nielsen  
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Dear Minister Simpson

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I hope your busy schedule will allow you to meet with our members. Stefan Nielsen from our office will be following up to schedule a meeting at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Ivan Limpricht, President  
UFCW 1518



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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "charles.aruliah@mssociety.ca"  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request from MS Society of BC - May 7, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 16, 2018 10:43:01 AM

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Good Morning,

Thank you for your request sent to the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction. The Minister would be happy to meet with representatives from the MS Society and has time the afternoon of May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Would that time work for the MS Society?

Thank you again,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the  
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**From:** Mike Cunningham [<mailto:mike@graphite.ca>]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 13, 2018 8:29 AM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Meeting request from MS Society of BC - May 7, 2018

Hi Leah – I hope all is well with you – I am assisting the MS Society of BC/Yukon with coordinating a number of details relating to their MS Awareness Day in Victoria on May 7. Attached is a meeting request from Tania Vronis, President of BC & Yukon Division to meet with Minister Simpson while she is in Victoria that day. If you would like any further background or details in advance of meeting, just let me know. Thanks,

Mike

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From: [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
To: s.22  
Subject: RE: social development and poverty reduction  
Date: Monday, April 16, 2018 11:15:48 AM

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Hi Julie,

Great, I'm glad that will work. This is confirmed for 3:00pm on April 18th here in the Minister's office at the Legislature, s.15

Thank you,  
Valerie

-----Original Message-----

From: s.22 [mailto:s.22]  
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2018 8:43 AM  
To: McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
Subject: Re: social development and poverty reduction

Thank you Valerie,  
I will be able to meet at 3pm on April 18th.  
I look forward to meeting you.

Best regards,  
s.22

> On Apr 12, 2018, at 4:06 PM, McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca> wrote:

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> Good Afternoon,

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> On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your request to meet. The Minister is available for a meeting the afternoon of April 18th at 3:00pm here at the Legislature. Are you able to meet at that time? The Minister has also asked MLA Mitzi Dean, Parliamentary Secretary for Gender Equity, to attend the meeting as well. Thank you kindly for your request.

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> Best Regards,

> Valerie McKnight

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> -----Original Message-----

> From s.22 [mailto:s.22]

> Sent: Thursday, April 5, 2018 9:43 AM

> To: Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX

> Subject: social development and poverty reduction

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> Dear Shane Simpson;



> I have been facilitating a small business training program for women in, or transitioning from, sex work.  
> This class is funded by the Ministry of Justice, through Civil Forfeiture grants to Peers Victoria.  
> I am looking for additional opportunities to provide employment supports for people in or from the sex industry.  
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> Would you be open to a meeting to discuss this particular community's challenges and potential?  
>  
> Best regards,  
> **s.22**  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Catherine Ludgate"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 2:57:48 PM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)  
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Hi Catherine,

Minister Simpson is fine to go directly to PPS. If there is some background material you would like to share before the meeting, though, that would be great. Also, we will be looking into arranging a more tours that day. The Ministry's Communications Direction will be getting in touch with you shortly to follow up on your recommendations.

Thank you,  
Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 9:05 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings  
Thanks, Valerie. By our location, you mean Pigeon Park Savings, right? At 92 East Hastings?  
Would the Minister like to meet somewhere close by first and have a bit of accompaniment to the branch or is he fine to just show up straight at PPS? I know he knows the neighbourhood very well and so knows how to get there, but if he'd like a bit of background before we start at PPS, I can arrange that. Looping in Molly here, as I know she was also very interested in coming to PPS. I know the Minister and staff have participated in other DTES tours, including CCAP's "gentrification" tour and I was not suggesting a replication of any of that (nor the entourage that builds with that). I was more thinking the Minister might be interested in meeting or seeing some of the productive economic activities in the neighbourhood, such as the Binnars Project, or meeting with Megaphone, or a tour of United We Can and Recycling Alternative. Let me know if any of those are of interest, and of course, we'd keep the numbers small and without attention.

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, April 16, 2018 3:00 PM  
**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>  
**Subject:** FW: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings  
Hi Catherine,  
Great, we arrange for the Minister to come to your location for 1:30pm. I will enquire about other activities that the Minister can do and follow up with you soon.  
Thanks,  
Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 6:21 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings  
Let's do the afternoon of the 2<sup>nd</sup>, then. Would the Minister and Molly like to do anything else in the neighbourhood, at the same time? We could organize lunch at Potluck Café, if they'd like to see a social enterprise in action, or set up a meeting with folks from Megaphone, to hear about the street magazine and survival vending? Happy to set up anything that would be interesting and informative

for you folks!

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 11:40 AM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings

Hi Catherine,

I'm afraid that week the Minister is committed to ministry travel through the interior and would be unable come to Pigeon Park either of those days. I think given the Minister's current commitments we should arrange for a time on May 2 or 3 and then depending on the outcome, revisit the possibility of a tour on a cheque issue day in the summer. Would that work?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 8:55 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - more on visiting Pigeon Park Savings

One more thought, Valerie, and sorry for dragging this out. Will the house still be in recess at the end of May? Any chance the Minister might be able to come on Welfare Day in late May? May 23<sup>rd</sup> is cheque day and May 24<sup>th</sup> likely busy and instructive as well... if not, I'll arrange for May 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:17 PM

**To:** 'McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX' <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

That makes sense. I didn't realize the house is in session.

Let me check with colleagues at Pigeon Park.

Thanks for the details!

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 3:16 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Hi Catherine,

With the Legislature in Session, the Minister is obligated to be in Victoria on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. The Legislature is rising for the week of April 30<sup>th</sup> which is why he is available on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. I'm afraid we wouldn't be able to arrange anything for a cheque issue day, my apologies.

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 2:37 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Valerie, is there any chance he might be in town on Welfare Day (April 25) or the day after? That would give him a true sense of what happens at Pigeon Park. If that is not the case, I'll work with Pigeon Park on one of the two offered days.

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 10, 2018 2:32 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Hi Catherine,

Minister Simpson will be available again in Vancouver on May 2 or May 3. Would a time on either of those days work for a tour?

Thank you,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the*

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Monday, April 02, 2018 8:12 PM

**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX

**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Great, and thanks. Valerie, if you send me some dates when the Minister is in Vancouver, I'll test those against what might work for Pigeon Park. Thanks!

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX [<mailto:Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 28, 2018 5:08 PM

**To:** Catherine Ludgate <[Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)>; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX <[Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <[Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Thanks again for the invitation. The Minister would love to do a tour. I've copied our Administrative Coordinator, Valerie McKnight, who will follow up next week to find a time that works.

Thanks!

Leah

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**From:** Catherine Ludgate [[mailto:Catherine\\_Ludgate@vancity.com](mailto:Catherine_Ludgate@vancity.com)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 27, 2018 11:44 PM

**To:** McGaghey Jones, Stacey SDPR:EX; Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Poverty Reduction Community Meetings - one more community to visit?

Folks, have any of you been inside Pigeon Park Savings (PPS), our alternative banking branch in the DTES? We opened it in 2004, the day the Province closed Four Corners, and 1200 neighbours living in poverty were about to be "unbanked." Today, PPS banks ~4000 members in the neighbourhood, who live in chronic poverty, and have no other access to financial services (or might resort to payday lenders or unscrupulous landlords). Would you and the Minister find it instructive to visit PPS?

It is a really interesting partnership between the credit union and a community organization: the staff at PPS are all Portland Hotel Society workers, and Vancity provides the back office support. We believe it works so well because it meets the members of PPS exactly where they are, and listens to what they need.

Access to basic banking services, and non-predatory cheque cashing, is so important but not well available. There is federal legislation about banks having to provide basic cheque cashing but I do not believe there is a corollary in the province about credit unions. So much to be done.

Let me know, and thanks!

Catherine

**From:** McGaghey Jones, Stacey SDPR:EX [mailto:Stacey.McGagheyJones@gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 1, 2018 1:03 PM

**To:** 'Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca' <Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca>; 'exdir@bcands.bc.ca' <exdir@bcands.bc.ca>; 'n.boock@lmofcs.ca' <n.boock@lmofcs.ca>; 'ccasimer@fns.bc.ca' <ccasimer@fns.bc.ca>; 'queenie.choo@success.bc.ca' <queenie.choo@success.bc.ca>; s.22 <Stephen@BbyServices.ca>; 'Stephen@BbyServices.ca' <Stephen@BbyServices.ca>; 'jwd@disabilityalliancebc.org' <jwd@disabilityalliancebc.org>; s.22 <trish.bcpovertyreduction@trish.bcpovertyreduction.ca>; 'lawreform@westcoastleaf.org' <lawreform@westcoastleaf.org>; s.22 <Catherine.Ludgate@vancity.com>; s.22 <jmatthews@tapsbc.ca>; 'jmatthews@tapsbc.ca' <jmatthews@tapsbc.ca>; 'rmcgregor@cfswl.ca' <rmcgregor@cfswl.ca>; s.22 <XT:Millar, John HLTH:IN>; s.22 <'Anne@businessinsurrey.com'>; 'Anne@businessinsurrey.com' <Anne@businessinsurrey.com>; 'lsmith@mnbc.ca' <lsmith@mnbc.ca>; 'Stephanie.smith@bcgeu.ca' <Stephanie.smith@bcgeu.ca>; s.22 <'Ivarley@bcaafc.com'>; 'Ivarley@bcaafc.com' <Ivarley@bcaafc.com>

**Cc:** Harrington, Molly SDPR:EX <Molly.Harrington@gov.bc.ca>; Squance, Leah SDPR:EX <Leah.Squance@gov.bc.ca>; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX <Jayne.Ducker@gov.bc.ca>; Connor, Tamara LASS:EX <Tamara.Connor@leg.bc.ca>; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX <Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>; 'Debbie.Campbell@bcgeu.ca' <Debbie.Campbell@bcgeu.ca>; 'Brian.Gardiner@bcgeu.ca' <Brian.Gardiner@bcgeu.ca>; 'Sienna@success.bc.ca' <Sienna@success.bc.ca>; Borowko, Whitney SDPR:EX <Whitney.Borowko@gov.bc.ca>

**Subject:** Poverty Reduction Community Meetings

Hello,

Please be advised that the ministry has sent news releases to media about upcoming poverty reduction community meetings. The releases are attached to this email, and I have also included the online links for the news releases.

Thank you and take care,

Stacey

Meeting in North Vancouver:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000295>

Meetings in Vancouver, Downtown East Side, and Vancouver:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000293>

Meeting in Coquitlam:

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2018SDPR0003-000294>

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "NC-MIN-SPD-SPH-GD@hrsdc-rhdcc.gc.ca"  
**Subject:** Request for Phone Call From the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction in BC  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 17, 2018 2:13:17 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am hoping to arrange a phone call between the Honourable Kirsty Duncan, Minister of Science and Minister of Sport and Persons with Disabilities, and Minister Simpson to touch base regarding issues affecting people with disabilities. Is there a time this week or next that Minister Duncan is available?

Thank you,

***Valerie McKnight***

*Administrative Coordinator to the  
Honourable Shane Simpson,  
Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: **s.22**  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 9:58:49 AM

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Hi Karen,

**s.22**

She is trying to do her income tax and has questions about her supports and how to report them.

Thank you,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** s.22  
**Subject:** RE: 194485 Hildebrandt SDPR Response  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 4:32:45 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of Minister Simpson, I am following up on your email to see if you have settled on a date that you will be coming to Victoria and if you would be seeking a meeting with the Minister while you are here? If there is anything you need from our office, please let me know.

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Al Hildebrandt [<mailto:s.22>]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2018 2:51 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: 194485 Hildebrandt SDPR Response

Thank you for the update. We are looking to make it to Victoria in April, to meet with a few of the overlap ministries related to children's causes. I will send you our March 8, 2018 CAC campaign launch video.

There are a few ministries that we need to connect with on this cause.

Al Hildebrandt

(250) 878-9100

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**From:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX <[SDPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca](mailto:SDPR.Minister@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 26, 2018 2:39 PM  
**To:** Al Hildebrandt s.22  
**Subject:** 194485 Hildebrandt SDPR Response

Ref: 194485

Al Hildebrandt

Kelowna Foundation

s.22

Dear Mr. Hildebrandt:

Thank you for your email of January 25, 2018, regarding my visit to the Kelowna Chamber of Commerce. I appreciated meeting with the Chamber members and hearing about the issues that matter to the people of Kelowna.

I appreciate that you took the time to write and share information about Foundry-Kelowna and the Kelowna General Hospital Foundation, and for providing me a copy of the book, Silence Broken.

I would also like to commend you and your wife for taking an active role in reducing poverty in British Columbia. It is exciting to hear about the important work being done in collaboration with the Child Advocacy Centre of Kelowna and the Kelowna Foundation for Hope and Social Innovation. Leadership like this, at the community level, is critical to our success in tackling these issues.

As you know, our government is committed to making life more affordable for all British Columbians; tackling poverty and inequality; delivering quality services that meet people's needs; and, ensuring people from every background have the opportunity to reach their full potential.

As you are aware from our meeting, my mandate from the Premier includes developing a poverty reduction strategy, and we are hard at work to meet this commitment. This is a cross-ministry commitment, and the strategy will address



housing, child care, education, public safety and income supports, among others. Our public consultations on poverty reduction are underway. These consultations will help inform the development of a poverty reduction strategy. Your comments and suggestions are welcome and I would encourage you to participate. All the relevant information about our consultation process can be found at

<https://engage.gov.bc.ca/bcpovertyreduction/>.

Thank you again for writing. I appreciate hearing from you and I look forward to meeting again in the future.

Sincerely,

Shane Simpson

Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

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**From:** Al Hildebrandt s.22

**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2018 8:57 AM

**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX

**Subject:** FW: Thank you, and update

I'm resending this email to your Ministry email, based on the auto reply of my previous email. My original email went to your constituency email.

Brenda, I'm sure your reading these emails, but I don't think I got your email right, as it bounced back to me. Let me know what it is so that I can include you.

Al Hildebrandt.

(250) 878-9100

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**From:** Al Hildebrandt

**Sent:** Thursday, January 25, 2018 8:51 AM

**To:** Shane Simnpson @ BC Gov't ; Brenda Tombs @ BC Gov't

**Subject:** Thank you, and update

Minster Simpson, thank you for coming to Kelowna to update the Kelowna Chamber last week on your new portfolio. You spoke well on the topic, and knowledgeable on the subject.

I was the one who gave you the Silence Broken book. In the portfolio of poverty, I know that many things impact how, and where people get to that poverty spot in life. I've been extremely blessed in my business career and personal life to now be in a position to actively help our community. I had mentioned the excellent work of the Foundry-Kelowna for youth mental health (ages 12-24), making sure they take care of the "Age Out" kids that transition to Adulthood.

Here is two short video's about the Foundry-Kelowna, a local project in which my wife and I were glad to help the community fundraising campaign with KGH Foundation, where we raised \$2m. The former Premier Clark announced the Foundry project in Nov, 2016. KGH Foundation launched the campaign publicly on Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, and by June 30<sup>th</sup>, the campaign had met it's \$2m goal.

This link is to the Opening Celebration event, which features the KGH Foundation CEO Doug Rankmore, Shelagh Turner, Exec Dir. Of CMHA-Kelowna, and a couple of guest supporters.

[https://youtu.be/iU0h\\_rWJFSE](https://youtu.be/iU0h_rWJFSE)

This link is to a video that KGH Foundation produced about the fundraising leadership on this \$2m project that we (my wife Irene and I), where able to provide KGH Foundation and in turn the Foundry Kelowna project to make it a reality. The former government proposal in Nov/16 to the five pilot Foundry sites, was that the community had to invest \$2m into the project, which Kelowna did in 7 months. <https://www.kghfoundation.com/story/giving-changes-everything>

We are now working towards building the Child Advocacy Centre of Kelowna, to have a safe, child friendly space where the children affected by abuse can be helped. The CAC project is being led by

our new foundation Kelowna Foundation for Hope and Social Innovation

[www.KelownaFoundation.com](http://www.KelownaFoundation.com), and we are involved in several other child focused causes as well.

If you every have any questions about projects such as youth mental health, or child Advocacy, or how a community can make it happen, please let me know.

BTW, If you ever are heading to Phoenix over winter, and would like to see one of the premier CAC's in the world, it's in Phoenix as the ChildHelp USA site. They serve over 8,000 kids a year and have a very big, community involved centre. They have about 25,000 sq. ft. office space, about 120 staff including about 65 policeman all working out of that location. I can make those introductions if a trip down south is possible.

As you'll see in the Silence Broken book that I gave you, ChildHelp USA has been in operation since 1959, working on children's causes, and now has helped more than 10,000,000 children with their overall activities.

Al Hildebrandt

Kelowna Foundation

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Sheelah Paquette"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting invite from Minister Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction  
**Date:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 2:44:56 PM

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Hi Sheelah,

I'm afraid I am unable to view the attachment in this email, are you able to send it as a pdf or in some other format?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Sheelah Paquette [mailto:reception@friendshiphouse.ca]  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 2:19 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting invite from Minister Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Good Morning,

I have a proposal for you. Please see attached and confirm.

If you have question please feel free to contact me.

In friendship,

Sheelah Paquette

Administrative Assistant

Friendship House Association of Prince Rupert

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**From:** Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca  
**Sent:** Wed, 10 Jan 2018 00:10:19 +0000  
**To:** reception@friendshiphouse.ca  
**Subject:** Meeting invite from Minister Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

Good Afternoon,

Minister Simpson will be in Prince Rupert on Thursday, Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, for a poverty reduction consultation and wanted to reach out to arrange a meeting. I had previously left a voicemail message and thought I should follow up with an email. The Minister was hoping to have an opportunity to speak with the Friendship House Association to discuss poverty issues in the community. He is available at 10:30am-11:30am on Jan 11<sup>th</sup> and could come to the Friendship House to meet. Please let me know if this can be arranged.

In addition, the Minister is hosting a public poverty reduction consultation at Nisga'a Hall, 860 3rd Ave, from 12:00pm-3:30pm on that day, so if representatives are not available that morning, the Minister would be happy to speak with them at the public event. I have attached some background info on the event.

Thank you,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the*

*Honourable Shane Simpson,*

*Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction*

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "mike@graphite.ca"  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request from MS Society of BC - May 7, 2018  
**Date:** Thursday, April 19, 2018 4:10:45 PM

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Good Afternoon,

Thank you for your request sent to the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction. The Minister would be happy to meet with representatives from the MS Society and has time the afternoon of May 7<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Would that time work for the MS Society?

Thank you again,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** Mike Cunningham [<mailto:mike@graphite.ca>]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 13, 2018 8:29 AM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Meeting request from MS Society of BC - May 7, 2018

Hi Leah – I hope all is well with you – I am assisting the MS Society of BC/Yukon with coordinating a number of details relating to their MS Awareness Day in Victoria on May 7. Attached is a meeting request from Tania Vronis, President of BC & Yukon Division to meet with Minister Simpson while she is in Victoria that day. If you would like any further background or details in advance of meeting, just let me know. Thanks,

Mike

**Mike Cunningham**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["J. Anderson"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: BC Poverty Reduction Written Submission  
**Date:** Friday, April 20, 2018 3:26:02 PM

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Hello,

We are still determining Minister Simpson's availability in Vancouver in May. I will be in touch as soon as I have confirmation of his schedule. Thank you for your patience.

Regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** J. Anderson [mailto:[s.22](#)] |  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 18, 2018 8:10 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Patricia Rodney  
**Subject:** Re: BC Poverty Reduction Written Submission

Good evening Ms. McKnight,

We are very much looking forward to meeting with the Honourable Shane Simpson.

We are wondering if it might be possible for you to suggest some dates when the Minister will be available in Vancouver?

With thanks,

Joan Anderson

On 12-Apr-18, at 5:57 PM, J. Anderson wrote:

Good evening,

Thank you for your note, and we are delighted that the Honourable Shane Simpson has agreed to meet with our group.

Regretfully, I am not available to meet on May 3.

Are there dates in mid to late May when the Minister might be available to meet with us?

Thank you again for your message.

We look forward to meeting with the Minister.

Best regards,

Joan Anderson

On 12-Apr-18, at 11:32 AM, McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX wrote:

Good Morning,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your request for a meeting. Minister Simpson would be happy to meet with your group to discuss poverty reduction strategies. He has some availability in Vancouver on May 3, would your group be available that morning for a meeting? It would be at the Vancouver Cabinet Offices, 740-999 Canada Place.

Thank you kindly for your request.

Best regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

*Administrative Coordinator to the  
Honourable Shane Simpson,*

**From:** J. Anderson [<mailto:s.22>]  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 31, 2018 10:55 AM  
**To:** SDPR BC Poverty Reduction SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** BC Poverty Reduction Written Submission

The Honourable Shane Simpson  
Minister of Social Development & Poverty Reduction  
PO Box 9058 Stn Prov Govt  
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2  
[BCPovertyReduction@gov.bc.ca](mailto:BCPovertyReduction@gov.bc.ca)

March 29, 2018

Dear Minister,

We commend the Government of British Columbia for developing a poverty reduction strategy, and we thank you for the opportunity to provide input. Some of us attended the community meeting in North Vancouver on March 3, 2018, and were inspired by the conversation and recommendations that came from that meeting.

We are an interdisciplinary group of academics, health care and social service practitioners, and community leaders who share a commitment to social justice in health care and social services. We are a self-funded Think Tank, and we convene annually at the Sylvia Hotel in Vancouver. The first meeting was held in 2015. The theme of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual meeting, held in 2017, was, "Mobilizing knowledge to address poverty and health." This submission is one of the outcomes from that 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you, or one of your representatives, to engage in a conversation about poverty reduction, and to assist in any capacity that might be helpful in working towards poverty reduction in this province.

In response to your call for input on poverty reduction, we are sending our submission by e-mail. Dr. Joan Anderson ([s.22](mailto:s.22)) and Dr. Paddy Rodney ([paddy.rodney@ubc.ca](mailto:paddy.rodney@ubc.ca)) are the primary contacts. If you wish to respond to our email submission, please "Reply All" to include those listed in the cc to ensure that we all have timely access to your response.

We thank you again for the chance to contribute to a poverty reduction strategy in our province.

Sincerely,

**Joan Anderson**, PhD, RN, Professor Emerita, School of Nursing, UBC

**Heather McDonald**, PhD, RN, Health Policy and Quality Officer, Seabird Island Band

**Vera Radyo**, MA, Executive Director, Kenoli Foundation, and former citizen judge & executive director of MOSAIC

**Sheryl Reimer-Kirkham**, PhD, RN, Professor, School of Nursing, Trinity Western University

**Patricia (Paddy) Rodney**, PhD, RN, Associate Professor, School of Nursing, UBC; Faculty Associate, W. Maurice Young Centre for Applied Ethics, UBC; Research Associate, Providence Health Care Ethics Services

**Brenda Sawatzky-Girling**, MHA, BAsC (Human Nutrition), Health Care Consultant and PhD Candidate, School of Population & Public Health, UBC

*A sub-group of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual “Sylvia” Think Tank (2017), Vancouver, BC.*



**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** "anna.lilly@FHhighroad.com"  
**Subject:** United Way invites you to a gathering of leaders in government, First Nations, business, labour & community  
**Date:** Monday, April 23, 2018 11:28:23 AM

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Good Morning,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your invitation to attend the United Way's upcoming gathering on May 2, 2018. The Minister would be happy to attend, thank you kindly for the invitation.

Warm Regards,

***Valerie McKnight***

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: **s.22**  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 1:44:23 PM

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Hi Karen,  
**s.22**

Thanks,  
**Valerie McKnight**  
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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: **s.22**  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 1:47:13 PM

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Hi Karen,  
**s.22**

She called in yesterday and was following up. She is having IT problems with the website and hasn't been able to get any IT support. She either needs to do a password reset or create another account because she can't access her online account but she says no one has been able to help her.

Thanks,

**Valerie McKnight**

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From: [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
To: "Anita Huberman"  
Subject: RE: INVITATION FOR THE 9TH SURREY INDUSTRY BUS TOUR - MAY 4  
Date: Tuesday, April 24, 2018 3:17:06 PM

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Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on the invitation to attend the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Surrey Industry Bus Tour on May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Unfortunately, the Minister is unable to attend and sends his regrets. Thank you kindly for the invitation.

Best Regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** Anita Huberman [<mailto:anita@businessinsurrey.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 15, 2018 1:58 PM

**To:** Anita Huberman

**Subject:** INVITATION FOR THE 9TH SURREY INDUSTRY BUS TOUR - MAY 4

**You are invited as my guest to experience Surrey's industry landscape. Please see the details below. Let me know if you can attend.**

The Surrey Board of Trade will be hosting Surrey's **9th Annual Surrey Industry Bus Tour** on **Friday, May 4, 2018, from 7:15 am - 2:00 pm**. This innovative event showcases some of the unique industries (from aviation, agriculture technologies, education, healthcare, manufacturing, winery, and more) and industrial lands in Surrey.

**Details:**

There will be 3-4 buses, with 3-5 different tour stops on each bus. Tour stops will be confirmed in the near future. You can choose which bus you want to go on. The tour will conclude with a guest speaker during a luncheon, location to be confirmed.

**Date:** Friday, May 4, 2018

**Starting Location:** Surrey Board of Trade ([101 - 14439 104 Ave, Surrey, V3R 1M1](#))

**Admission:** \$50 + tax (Members); \$65 + tax (General Admission) - WAIVED

**Lunch only option:** \$30 + tax (Members); \$45.00 + tax (General Admission)

**Tour Stops:** To be announced soon!

**Time:**

7:15 am - Continental Breakfast and Registration

8:00 am - Depart Surrey Board of Trade on Tour

12:00 pm - Lunch Program

2:00 pm - Arrive back at Surrey Board of Trade

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Client Call: **s.22**  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 3:19:23 PM

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Hi Karen,

**s.22**

Thanks,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Richard Elliott"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Request - Mayor Lisa Helps, Fran Hunt-Jinnouchi  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 3:30:08 PM  
**Attachments:** image002.png

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Hi Rich,

Thank you for the letter from Mayor Helps requesting a meeting with Minister Simpson. The Minister is available at 11:15am on May 10<sup>th</sup> for a meeting. Would the Mayor be available at that time?

Kind Regards,

Valerie

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**From:** Richard Elliott [<mailto:RElliott@victoria.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018 3:58 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX; Colleen Mycroft  
**Subject:** Meeting Request - Mayor Lisa Helps, Fran Hunt-Jinnouchi

Good day Minister Simpson,

Please find attached a joint letter from Mayor Lisa Helps and Fran Hunt-Jinnouchi. A hardcopy will be mailed to your office. Have a lovely day.

Kindly,

Rich

Rich Elliott  
Executive Assistant  
Mayor's Office  
City of Victoria  
1 Centennial Square, Victoria BC V8W 1P6  
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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** ["Florio, Laura"](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation  
**Date:** Wednesday, April 25, 2018 10:22:32 AM  
**Attachments:** [image002.png](#)  
[image003.png](#)  
[image004.png](#)

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Great, thank you.

Best,

Valerie

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**From:** Florio, Laura [<mailto:Laura.Florio@bccancer.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 2:07 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** FW: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Hi Valerie.

Sarah Roth would be happy to meet with Minister Simpson at your Vancouver Cabinet office. I will put it in her calendar for 11:00 am on May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

If anything comes up, please feel free to contact me directly.

Thank you,

Laura

**Laura Florio**

**Senior Executive Assistant to Sarah Roth, President & CEO**

**Office Manager**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, April 24, 2018 11:08 AM

**To:** Landell, Leslie

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Hi Leslie,

A conflict has arisen and Minister Simpson is obligated to participate in a ministers meeting the morning of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. I was hoping that we could move this meeting to 11:00am with the meeting

taking place at the Vancouver Cabinet Offices, suite 740-999 Canada Place. Would that work for Ms. Roth?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Landell, Leslie [<mailto:Leslie.Landell@bccancer.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Friday, April 13, 2018 10:52 AM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Cc:** Florio, Laura

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Yes thanks, Sarah Roth is looking forward to meeting the Minister, please let me know what time would be convenient and we would be delighted to host him at our provincial offices at 686 West Broadway near Cambie. - Leslie

**Leslie Landell**

**Director Corporate Governance**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, April 12, 2018 1:37 PM

**To:** Landell, Leslie

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Hi Leslie,

To follow up on arranging this meeting, Minister Simpson will be available in Vancouver on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Are you able to meet that morning?

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Landell, Leslie [<mailto:Leslie.Landell@bccancer.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:52 PM

**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Terrific thanks

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 3:26 PM

**To:** Landell, Leslie

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Hi Leslie,

Minister Simpson should be available again the first week of May, I will follow up shortly when I have what day he is available confirmed.

Thank you,

Valerie

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**From:** Landell, Leslie [<mailto:Leslie.Landell@bccancer.bc.ca>]



**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 2:37 PM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

I regret that our CEO will be out of the country next Thursday but I look forward to securing her schedule with the next available time for a meeting with Minister Simpson.

Many thanks – Leslie

**Leslie Landell**  
**Director Corporate Governance**

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX [<mailto:Valerie.McKnight@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 2:30 PM

**To:** Landell, Leslie

**Subject:** RE: Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

Good Afternoon,

On behalf of the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, I am following up on your request to meet from November 2017. I apologize for the delay in arranging a meeting. The Minister will be in Vancouver on March 29<sup>th</sup> and is available to meet that morning at 10:30am. Please let me know if you are available at that time for a meeting and, if not, we can look into arranging an alternate time for you and the Minister to connect.

Thank you kindly for your request.

Best Regards,

**Valerie McKnight**

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**From:** Landell, Leslie [<mailto:Leslie.Landell@bccancer.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, November 1, 2017 11:11 AM

**To:** Simpson.MLA, Shane <[Shane.Simpson.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Shane.Simpson.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Meeting request BC Cancer Foundation

*Sent on behalf of Sarah Roth, President and CEO*

Dear Minister Simpson,

Congratulations on your appointment as Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction.

I understand that you are familiar with the cancer cause and the work of the BC Cancer Agency and our Foundation and I am confident you know that every British Columbian has had an experience

with cancer either directly or indirectly no matter what their financial or geographic circumstances. In fact one in two British Columbians is likely to develop cancer in their lifetime.

The BC Cancer Foundation is the fundraising partner of the BC Cancer Agency and the largest charitable funder of cancer research and enhancements to care in British Columbia. We are reaching out to you to arrange a meeting to enable us to better acquaint you with the work of the Foundation and its partnership with the BC Cancer Agency - in particular the unique model of our provincial cancer treatment and enhancements to care programs.

Philanthropy is the heart of our work; our health system and the people treated by it are better because of donor generosity which augments funding provided by the ministry. Additionally, of the more than \$50 million the Foundation raised last year, every donor dollar is leveraged four times over by researchers and clinicians at the BC Cancer Agency's six sites across the province. Current projects driven by Foundation funds include bringing new PET/CT scanners to the Victoria and Kelowna cancer centres enabling quicker access to care and bring treatment closer to those in rural areas outside the lower mainland, and the Fraser Valley cancer centre expansion will see increased chemotherapy capacity and enhanced ambulatory care.

I look forward to explaining to you how the Foundation is changing the outcomes for British Columbians and providing more than just hope and optimism. Please let me know when you might be available to meet.

Sincerely,

Sarah Roth

President and CEO

BC Cancer Foundation

**Leslie Landell**

Director Governance

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Leave from SSI - June 6th  
**Date:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 10:52:46 AM

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Hi Connie,  
This is approved.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 10:04 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Leave from SSI - June 6th  
Hi Val,

s.22

. Minister Fraser is going to Haida

Gwaii to meet with several FN communities that week.

***Thanks,***  
***Connie Roberts***  
*Administrative Coordinator to the*  
*Honourable Scott Fraser*  
*Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation*  
*Room #323, Parliament Buildings*  
*Victoria, BC*  
*Phone: 250-387-0680*

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Squance, Leah SDPR:EX](#); [Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX](#); [Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 1:35:29 PM

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Heard back from Transportation on this, please advise what we would like to do with the meeting request below.

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 9:46 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
Hi Val,

It is still going through the approval process.

The Minister also sent a response to **s.22** to an earlier request encouraging him to connect with the Regional District of Nanaimo, as a transit connection between Cassidy and the Nanaimo airport falls under the jurisdiction of the Regional District of Nanaimo.

You are welcome to forward the new request to us or encourage him to contact the Regional District of Nanaimo.

Best Regards,  
Lindsey

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Lindsey Jackson  
Administrative Coordinator to the Honourable Claire Trevena  
Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure  
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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** April-26-18 15:47  
**To:** Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX  
**Subject:** FW: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
Hi Lindsey,

We just received the meeting request below and are trying to determine if we should refer it to your Ministry. SDPR had referred a letter of his to your office, can you please let me know if TRAN had responded?

Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** **s.22**  
**Sent:** Thursday, April 26, 2018 1:48 PM  
**To:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** Fw: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
Honourable Shane Simpson,

Good afternoon,

I have been in contact with your ministry and have sent a number of e-mails to you as well as cc'd e-mails relating to working toward having transit service implemented to our communities. I would like to meet with you to discuss this very important issue and how it

relates to poverty reduction in British Columbia. Can I make an appointment with you to discuss our communities' needs. Please give me the time, date and location of the meeting.

Sincerely,

s.22

s.22

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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** April 16, 2018 11:06 AM

**To:** premier@gov.bc.ca

**Cc:** corpsrv@rdn.bc.ca; s.22 ; s.22 ;

Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca; SDSI.minister@gov.bc.ca; douglas.routley.mla@leg.bc.ca

**Subject:** Fw: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update

Honourable John Horgan,

Good morning,

I am writing this letter to plead for your assistance in acquiring an essential service for my community. South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport lie along an eleven kilometer stretch of Highway #1 south of Nanaimo and are included in Area A of the Regional District of Nanaimo. Over the past 25 years, there have been a number of attempts to have bus service provided to South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport. On moving to Cassidy, the lack of transit service to the two communities and the Nanaimo Airport was a bit of surprise to us. There are over 1000 people living in South Wellington and just under 1000 people living in Cassidy who would benefit from bus service.

There is a large number of seniors living in our communities. Bus service is a needed essential service for seniors that have lost the privilege to drive or have lost their driving partner. I do know one elderly gentlemen that hitch hikes to and from Nanaimo to go grocery shopping as we have given him a ride home from his shopping trips. How others manage the need to go grocery shopping, attend dental and medical appointments and other essential activities is unknown to me. Please help us provide these people the opportunity to stay in their own homes and not have to move to Nanaimo because of a lack of an essential service.

As a thriving community, we have many young people growing up without the opportunities available to other children in BC. How can they attend extracurricular activities after school? How can they get a part time job after school? How do they get to post secondary education opportunities once they graduate from high school? Please help us give these children the future they deserve.

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What can you do to assist in ensuring that bus service to South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport in a timely manner?

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**Sent:** January 25, 2018 11:16 AM

**To:** s.22

**Cc:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX

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Dear s.22

My colleague, the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, shared with me your email suggesting a transit service for Cassidy. I am pleased to have the opportunity to respond.

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I would encourage you to continue to share your suggestions with the Regional District of Nanaimo. You can reach the Regional transportation planners toll-free by telephone at 1 877 607-4111, Local 6200, or by continuing to use the [transport@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:transport@rdn.bc.ca) email address.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Trevena

Minister

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Dear s.22:

Thank you for your email of October 17, 2017, addressed to the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, regarding transit service for Cassidy and the surrounding area. Minister Simpson has asked that we respond on his behalf, and we are pleased to do so and apologize for the delay.

The issue you have raised falls under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. We have, therefore, taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your correspondence to the minister responsible, the Honourable Claire Trevena, for her review and consideration.

Should you wish to contact Minister Trevena directly, you may reach her at:

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Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

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Thank you again for writing.

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Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 1:36:12 PM

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Thanks Lindsey, I'll let you know what my MA would like to do.

Much appreciated,

Val

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**From:** Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 9:46 AM  
**To:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: 272420 - Transit service for South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport Update  
Hi Val,

It is still going through the approval process.

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**Sent:** April-26-18 15:47  
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**Subject:** Re: 272420 - Transit service for Cassidy

Dear Shane Simpson and Claire Trevena,

In my quest to see bus service provided to the surrounding communities (South Wellington, Cassidy) and the Nanaimo Airport, I have arranged to present the situation to the Regional District of Nanaimo Transit Select Committee on March 22nd. In preparation for this meeting, I have started a petition and left copies at local meeting places such as stores, hair dressers etc. I am also going door to door requesting community support via requesting signatures on the petition. This brings me to the point of this e-mail. Shane, if you are interested in seeing poverty, I invite you to visit the trailer parks that are in these neighborhoods and to knock on doors and talk to the residents. Many of the people we talked to are limited by issues other than transportation but without transportation, they are trapped in a level of poverty I was just not aware of. I cite an example of need: As I petitioned the community individuals told us that they pay up to \$40 for taxi fares for grocery shopping and medical appointments. This \$40 represents an amount then not available to purchase food items. Disgraceful. My point here is that, yes, bus service may lie in Ministry of Transportation's portfolio, ensuring bus service is provided to some of the most needy people in our society is in His Honourable Shane Simpson's portfolio. To my surprise, some of the people told us that community requests for bus service to Cassidy has been made at least twice in the past with no positive response from government. I am aghast to say the least.

What can you do to assist in ensuring that bus service to South Wellington, Cassidy and the Nanaimo Airport in a timely manner?

Sincerely,

s.22

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**From:** Transportation, Minister TRAN:EX <[Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** January 25, 2018 11:16 AM

**To:** s.22

**Cc:** Minister, SDPR SDPR:EX

**Subject:** 272420 - Transit service for Cassidy

s.22

272420 - Transit service for Cassidy

Dear s.22

My colleague, the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, shared with me your email suggesting a transit service for Cassidy. I am pleased to have the opportunity to respond.

I know how important transit services are for B.C. communities. Our government has committed to work with BC Transit, the federal government and local governments to fund transit improvements across British Columbia. The provincial government currently contributes more per capita to transit operations in its partner communities than any other

province.

Transit services in British Columbia are delivered under a partnership between BC Transit and local governments. As the local operator of the system, the local government makes decisions about service levels, routes and fares. This approach helps ensure that local interests guide transit planning and delivery. A transit connection between Cassidy and the Nanaimo airport would fall under the jurisdiction of the Regional District of Nanaimo.

In February 2014, the Regional District of Nanaimo Transit Select Committee approved a Transit Future Plan, which describes how to improve transit services in the Nanaimo area. The development of this plan was informed by the BC Provincial Transit Plan and BC Transit's 2030 Strategic Plan, as well as extensive public consultation.

I would encourage you to continue to share your suggestions with the Regional District of Nanaimo. You can reach the Regional transportation planners toll-free by telephone at 1 877 607-4111, Local 6200, or by continuing to use the [transport@rdn.bc.ca](mailto:transport@rdn.bc.ca) email address.

Thank you for taking the time to write.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Trevena

Minister

Copy to: Honourable Shane Simpson

Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction

MLA, Vancouver-Hastings

Ref: 193608

s.22

Dear s.22

Thank you for your email of October 17, 2017, addressed to the Honourable Shane Simpson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, regarding transit service for Cassidy and the surrounding area. Minister Simpson has asked that we respond on his behalf, and we are pleased to do so and apologize for the delay.

The issue you have raised falls under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure. We have, therefore, taken the liberty of forwarding a copy of your correspondence to the minister responsible, the Honourable Claire Trevena, for her review and consideration.

Should you wish to contact Minister Trevena directly, you may reach her at:

Honourable Claire Trevena

Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

Email: [Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Minister.Transportation@gov.bc.ca)

Thank you again for writing.

Sincerely,

Ministry of Social Development and Social Innovation

cc: Honourable Claire Trevena, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure

**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting May 09, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 1:49:33 PM

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Hi Dawn,  
Minister Simpson will be attending.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 11:49 AM  
**To:** Aaron, Sage PREM:EX; Banh, Lindsay EDUC:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Cavanagh, Judy PREM:EX; Chandler, Alex FIN:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Christensen, Suzanne PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Demelo, Paula IRR:EX; Drew, Ashley ENV:EX; Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Flesh, Cindy AEST:EX; Fleurant, Kathleen CITZ:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Fullaway, Elijah HLTH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Gunn, Paula MCF:EX; Hahn, Andra EDUC:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harder, Derrick AG:EX; Hay, Lorna JTT:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Holt, Lynne FIN:EX; Iliffe, Liam GCPE:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Johnson, Lisa E AGRI:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McGregor-Schenk, Paige X FIN:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Michell, Jennifer FIN:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Morton, Kaitlin MCF:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Neilson, Kirsten ENV:EX; Neves, Gilbert FIN:EX; Nicholson, Riley FIN:EX; Olson, Lianna FIN:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Purdy, Sandra FLNR:EX; Reid, Heidi FIN:EX; Ringma, Shalegh FIN:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Roberts, Connie A IRR:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Russell, Shannon CITZ:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Shaw, Brea BRDO:EX; Silverio, Lisa FLNR:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Talbot, Sarena AEST:EX; Wade, Debbie PREM:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; Wensink, Alison PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX; Wilson, Cherie MCF:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Finkel, Paul PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX

**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for Cabinet meeting May 09, 2018

**Importance:** High

Good morning,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact [Layne Clark](#), and **CC: Michelle Massy**, and myself for the [attendance survey](#).

**CABINET**

Wednesday, May 09, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

s.15

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for HWG meeting May 08, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 12:47:10 PM

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Hi Dawn,  
Minister Simpson will be attending.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 11:51 AM  
**To:** Andrade, Ana MAH:EX; Beale, William TRAN:EX; Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Campbell, Sue LBR:EX; Chapotelle, Jacqueline TRAN:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Connor, Tamara LASS:EX; Cooling, Karen LBR:EX; Dube, Jonathan FIN:EX; Gedney, Vanessa R MAH:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Holding, Marina TAC:EX; Jackson, Lindsey B TRAN:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Madevon, Solenn LASS:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Moran, Jennifer OHCS:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nanninga, Tanera AG:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Papadopoulos, James TRAN:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Robb, Amanda JTT:EX; Robinson, Jon PREM:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Thomson, Lia MAH:EX; Virk, Rajmeet LASS:EX; Viveiros, Natalia MAH:EX; Wade, Debbie PREM:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX

**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX

**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for HWG meeting May 08, 2018

**Importance:** High

Good morning,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.

If requesting leave, please contact Christine White, and **CC: Brenda Lennox**, and myself for the attendance survey.

**HWG**

Tuesday, May 08, 2018

1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

s.15

Thank you,

Dawn A. Brown

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**From:** [McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX](#)  
**To:** [Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Attendance confirmation for MHAWG meeting May 07, 2018  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 12:46:03 PM

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Hi Dawn,  
Minister Simpson will be attending.  
Thanks,  
Val

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**From:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 11:52 AM  
**To:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Canitz, Shelley L PREM:EX; Clark, Layne PREM:EX; Enemark, Gord FIN:EX; Faust, Marnie L GCPE:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Gotto, Sarah F MMHA:EX; Hansen, Lucy HLTH:EX; Harrison, Veronica EDUC:EX; Higgins, Keira PREM:EX; Kennedy, Christine PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Lindsay-Baugh, Anna MMHA:EX; Loubert, Danny PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCormick, Erika HLTH:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; Moran, Roseanne LASS:EX; Mulloy, Eleanor PREM:EX; Nash, Amber PREM:EX; Pommelet, Lisa MMHA:EX; Rollheiser, Kate MMHA:EX; Scambler, Teresa LASS:EX; Scott, Samantha LASS:EX; Szabo, Maria PREM:EX; Wade, Debbie PREM:EX; Wakeman, Michelle PSSG:EX; White, Christine MAH:EX; White, Emily MCF:EX  
**Cc:** Brown, Dawn A PREM:EX; Colins, Tracey L PREM:EX; Gervais, Monica PREM:EX; Hanna, Jean L PREM:EX; Kinnear, Lindsay PREM:EX; Klus, Arianna PREM:EX; Kovacs, Teresa PREM:EX; Lennox, Brenda PREM:EX; Massy, Michelle E PREM:EX; McCartney, Angela PREM:EX; Powell, Charlotte PREM:EX; Prisiak, Lisa PREM:EX  
**Subject:** Attendance confirmation for MHAWG meeting May 07, 2018  
**Importance:** High  
Good morning,

**Please confirm the attendance** of your Minister/Official by responding to this email ASAP.  
If requesting leave, please contact [Sarah Gotto](#), and **CC: Monica Gervais, and myself for the attendance survey.**

**MHAWG**

Monday, May 07, 2018  
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**s.15**

Thank you,  
Dawn A. Brown

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**From:** McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: MSD-2018-83200 Fee Estimate and/or Records  
**Date:** Monday, April 30, 2018 8:54:01 AM

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I have no responsive records.

Thanks,

Val

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**From:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, April 30, 2018 8:41 AM  
**To:** Simpson, Shane SDPR:EX; Tombs, Brenda SDPR:EX; Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX; Van Wensem, Casey SDPR:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: MSD-2018-83200 Fee Estimate and/or Records  
Please advise if you have any responsive records.

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**From:** Smith, Denise Clair SDPR:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, April 27, 2018 3:32 PM  
**To:** Squance, Leah SDPR:EX  
**Cc:** Ducker, Jayne SDPR:EX; McKnight, Valerie SDPR:EX; MacMillan, Karen SDPR:EX; Quigley, Shanna SDPR:EX; Torres Bonet, Adriana SDPR:EX  
**Subject:** MSD-2018-83200 Fee Estimate and/or Records

Good afternoon Leah,

Please see the attached Call for Records form for **MSD-2018-83200**.

***All communications between the Deputy Minister's Office, or the Minister's Office and Josh Gordon from SFU; Copies of all contracts with Josh Gordon. (Date range for Record Search: 01/01/2018 to***

***04/25/2018) Date Format: MM/DD/YYYY***

- If you have **no records response**, please let me know on/or before **May 1, 2018**.
- If you will be producing a **fee estimate**, **please fill in the fee estimate portion of the Call for Records form** and return to me by: **May 1, 2018**.
- If you will be providing **records**, **please review and identify any harms in the records** and return with your records to me by **May 4, 2018**.

A clean copy and a marked copy where HARMS have been identified according to FOI's Exceptions to Disclosure Disclosure ([http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/cio/priv\\_leg/foippa/foippa\\_guide.page?#exceptions](http://www.cio.gov.bc.ca/cio/priv_leg/foippa/foippa_guide.page?#exceptions)) are required.

Please ensure when identifying HARMS that any information to be redacted is highlighted and the corresponding section is noted in pencil. Please flag each page where exceptions are found.

Thank you,

*Denise C Smith*