

THE YARROW NEWSLETTER

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Yarrow Community Happenings



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 Sept 10th, 2026

Upcoming Events

-  **YARROW MARKET OPENING DAY**
May 29th, 2026
-  **YARROW DAYS**
June 5th, 6th, and 7th, 2026
-  **BARN BURNER BBQ & CAR SHOW**
July 18th, 2026
-  **FALL COMMUNITY SUPPER**
October 3rd, 2026

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Yarrow Days 2026 Theme: *There's No Place Like Home* June 5th, 6th, and 7th

Friday June 5th

5:00pm-dusk: Yarrow Farm Market *Early Bird sales of Yarrow Days apparel & memorabilia*, Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St @ Yarrow Central Rd
6:00pm: Fun Run 2k walk and 5k run routes. Run starts at 6:15pm. Ends at north end of Kehler St, Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St.

Saturday June 6th

8:00am-12:30pm: Show & Shine, Yarrow United Mennonite Church, 4336 Eckert Rd
8:00am-10:00am: Free Pancake Breakfast. Donations gratefully accepted for local charitable causes, Canadian Reformed Church, 42285 Yarrow Central Road

10:00am: Parade. Leaves Yarrow Community School ***Road closure in effect***

11:00am: Opening Ceremony, MC: Grant Sigaty, Yarrow Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St
 O Canada – Ryan & Olivia Keeping
 Dignitary welcome by elected officials
 Yarrow Volunteer Society Bursary awarded to Grenadine Harms by Cathy Giles

11:30am: Little Kings Olive Tree – Ryan & Olivia Keeping – local musicians

12:00pm: Terry Sidhu Bhangra Dancers

1:00pm: A Little Moore Magic performers

1:30pm: Maybelles

2:00pm: Scarcity Factor—local band

2:30pm: Unity Taekwondo demonstration

Craft Booths, Kids' games, BBQ concession, Imagination Station, picnic games, food trucks. Parking at Canadian Reformed Church all day Saturday. Thank you CRC!

After Parade:

Until 2:30pm: Fire Hall Open House, 42385 Yarrow Central Rd

Until 3:00pm: Hazelnut Inn Open House, 42402 Yarrow Central Road

4:00pm-8:00pm: Food Trucks, Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St.

6:00pm-11:00pm: Yarrow Days Dance, Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St.

With The Lounge Hounds—BC's premier rockabilly band

Tickets at Eventbrite 19+ Late evening picnic lunch provided

Sunday June 7th

9:00am - 11:00am: Yarrow Days Brunch brought to you by the churches of Yarrow, Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St.

11:30 am Community Church Service. Rain or shine. Everyone is welcome, Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St @ Yarrow Central Rd

Yarrow Days - The Heartbeat of Our Community!

Submitted by Sheila Lum, Yarrow Days Committee Chair

Each year we celebrate our small town with Yarrow Days on the first weekend of June. It is a celebration of what makes Yarrow so special - connection, tradition, and a strong sense of community.

It's a weekend filled with fun! It's where neighbours become friends, kids run freely between games and activities, and the whole town seems to pause to enjoy our community together.

There's something timeless about the whole weekend. Yarrow Days is a reminder that even in a fast-paced world, there's real value in slowing down and being part of something local.

Events like Yarrow Days don't just happen - they're built by volunteers, supported by residents, and kept alive by people who choose to attend. Showing up is what keeps traditions like this going.

I invite you all to Yarrow Days the weekend of June 5-7. Come create shared moments and memories with family, friends, and neighbours.



“Because I knew you, I have been changed for good.” — Wicked

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2026 Market Dates

friday nights
yarrow pioneer park
5pm-dusk

May 29 - August 28

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Theme Inspired by Films, *Wizard of Oz* and *Wicked*

This year's Yarrow Days theme, *There's No Place Like Home*, draws inspiration from the timeless stories of *The Wizard of Oz* and *Wicked*.

From ruby slippers and yellow brick roads to friendship, courage, and community, the theme celebrates the feeling of finding where you belong.

In a world that moves quickly, Yarrow Days is a reminder that home is more than a place — it's the people, traditions, and small-town connections that bring us together year after year.



*This year's theme, “There's No Place Like Home,” draws inspiration from the films, *Wizard of Oz* and *Wicked*.*

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Yarrow Community School

FACILITY RENTALS - If you're interested in booking our facility for a birthday or family party please call Sally at 604-823-0257 to inquire. We are booking into next Fall at this time.

There is a real need for licensed **CHILD CARE** programs in our community. We are fully enrolled presently but if you are looking for future care please call to arrange a time to come and pick up a registration package. We offer 3-5 yrs Group Child Care and Afterschool care for school age kids. There are still a few spots left in our 3 and 4 year old preschool programs for next Sept.

REPAIR CAFÉ – I am so grateful for the team who continue to contribute so generously of their time, skills and in some cases materials/supplies. Our youngest fixer this year was Isaiah Kraubner and our oldest fixer this year was well into his 90's! We had a great day with close to 40 fixes, including jewelry, sewing repairs, lawn mowers, weed whackers, bike maintenance, miscellaneous electronics and more. There were only a few that stumped us and a couple that needed parts to be ordered. Lots of enthusiasm for another one, maybe in the Fall.

JUNIOR GOLF LESSONS – Presented by Chilliwack Golf Club and hosted at Yarrow Community school. Kids in grades 1-5 are invited to join us for the 4, 1- 1 hr lessons after school on Wednesdays in June. The cost for the 4 classes is \$110. Call Sally for more info or to sign up.

CYCLING WITHOUT AGE – GIVE SOMEONE A REASON TO SMILE THIS SEASON. A Trishaw ride gives the elderly a chance to experience the everyday joys that many of us may take for granted. Getting on a trishaw means we can take someone out to see the places they love and give them the chance to experience the joys of sunshine, fresh air and the feeling of movement. Our programs guiding principles include; Gentleness, Storytelling, Generosity, Inclusion, Slowness and Relationships. Call Sally at 604-823-0257 for more info or to book a ride. Or email us at cwayarrow@gmail.com. You can also check us out on FaceBook at Cycling Without Age Yarrow/Chilliwack.

The **ZUMBA AND YOGA** Spring classes are doing well, and the instructors would like to pick their classes up again in the Fall here at the school. The Zumba is going twice a week and the Restorative Yoga is Thursday evenings.

T – BLAST BALL – filled right up and the fun will start on Friday nights later this month.

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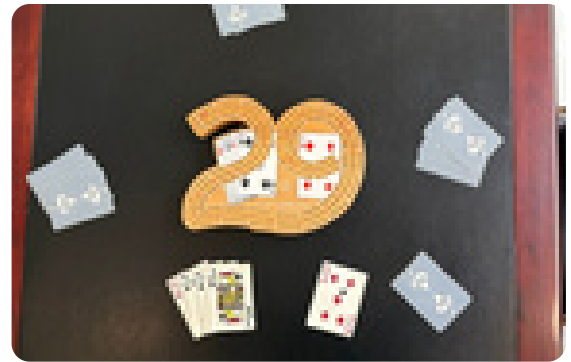
BLESSINGS OF SENIORHOOD

In case it hasn't been noticed, many of us, perhaps most of us seniors are enjoying our senior years. A little more time. New opportunities. New friendships. Of course that doesn't mean there aren't challenges; sometimes many of them! For some, senior years are fraught with new hurdles, even obstacles. But for all of us, our senior years present new ways of looking at and experiencing those challenges. We've spent a lifetime learning to walk. Now we get to practise our walk a little more carefully. A little more thoughtfully.

New perspectives on life and living can be an absolute blessing. Now is our time to dial back the busy schedules we've been keeping for a lifetime. Now is our time to both give a little and receive a little in new ways. Now is our time to explore and experience new kinds of openness. Now is our time to continue practising the lessons gleaned through maturing over a lifetime. Wisdom. Discretion. Loving. Now is our time to enjoy the practice of being a blessing to others.

Having said all the above, YARROW SENIORS is a group of caring individuals. Most of us are new to the group. Please consider checking us out! Currently we seem to be in a rebuilding phase. After Covid hit, life changed for many seniors. We appreciate quality time with others more than ever.

Has the YARROW SENIORS group changed then since Covid? Yes, it has. Before, we used to come on Wednesdays to the Seniors room in the



Community Hall at 12:30 and we would enjoy playing games. Now, folks have indicated they'd like to come at 12 noon, bring their own lunch and share that mealtime. It has become a time of uplifting conversation and positive exchange of ideas and information.

So, we invite you to come to the Community Hall on a Wednesday. Bring your own lunch at 12 noon or come any time after that. Games of cribbage, pool and a host of table games are a plenty. One member a few years ago came and just knit and visited! And what a beautiful knitter she was. In conclusion, we would very much love to see you too! Call Bev 604-823-7232



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Yarrow Library

STORYTIME - Wednesdays until May 20, 10:30-11am. Children and caregivers will enjoy interactive stories, songs, rhymes and more. **Drop in.**

INFANT MASSAGE - Thursdays, May 21 - June 18, 9:30-10:30am OR 11:15am-12:15pm. Program led by a Certified Infant Massage Instructor. Benefits for your baby may include stimulation, interaction, relaxation, and relief. **Registration Required.**

BUILDERS CLUB - Thursday, May 28, 3pm-4pm. Fun for all ages. Children under 10 must bring an adult helper. For ages 5 and up. **Drop in.**


PAJAMA STORYTIME - Thursday June 18, 6:30-7pm. Kids are encouraged to wear their favourite PJs and bring their favourite stuffies as we snuggle up for an evening of fun stories and songs. We will introduce the upcoming Summer Reading Club Theme! **Drop in.**

SUMMER READING CLUB RECORDS AVAILABLE STARTING TUESDAY, JUNE 23!

Check out our social media!
 @FVRL - Yarrow Library @ReadLearnPlay

Library Hours:

Tuesday: 9:00am - 6:00pm
 Wednesday: 9:00am - 4:00pm
 Thursday: 1:00pm - 8:00pm
 Saturday: 10:00am - 2:00pm



Yarrow Community Centre
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Celebrate Life's Milestones

After reading “My Favourite Things,” here are some of the favourite things that the folks in Yarrow wrote:

Submitted by Hilda Bergen,
 With reference to the recent Yarrow story walk

- A good sandwich
- Abi
- apple
- Art
- Beach
- Beautiful sunny days
- Being cozy
- Being in the sun
- Being kind and being nice & having self control
- Being with friends
- Being with my family
- Bible
- Bike ride along the river
- Bike rides
- Bikes
- Bird sounds
- Books
- Bouncy balls
- Cats
- Chocolate
- Cultus Lake
- Dad
- Dinos
- Dogs
- Eden
- Eggs
- Emma
- Everything that doesn't try to kill me
- Family
- Family & friends
- Fishtanks
- Folks who take care of the story boards
- Flowers
- food
- Friends
- Funky shirts
- Going in my dad's truck
- Going to the gym with my dad
- Grandchildren
- Grandkids
- Grandma's house
- Gymnastics
- Hailey
- Hawaii
- Hearts
- Hockey
- Horses
- Hunter
- I like riding my bike
- Iced Coffee
- India
- JESUS
- Kites
- Kittens
- Lucas
- Mama
- Mike
- Minicraft
- Mom
- Money
- Mr_Peaky_Peaky instagram
- My animals
- My boyfriend
- My daughter
- My dog
- My family
- My friends
- My girlfriend
- My sweet kids
- Myself
- Nature
- Noodles
- Oreos
- Owls
- Plants with trees
- Raspberry muffins
- Reading books
- Riding my bike
- Rosie & Hank
- Seaweed
- Smiles
- Spending time with my kids
- Springtime
- Standing by the ocean
- Strawberries
- Summer
- Sunny bike rides
- Sunshine
- Swimming
- The beach
- The skate park
- The Vedder river
- These trails by the river
- This story
- trees
- Trucks
- TV
- Video games
- Walking by the river
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Yarrow Farm Market

Where: Yarrow Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St

When: Friday, June 5th, 5:00pm-Dusk

What: This is a weekly staple in the heart of Yarrow from late May – early September. What better way to kick off the Yarrow Days weekend?!

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Fun Run (5k Run/2k Walk)

Where: Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St

When: Friday, June 5th, 6:00pm

What: 2k walk and 5k run routes.

Run starts at 6:15. By donation, proceeds to Yarrow Volunteer Society. No pre-registration required. Starting point Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St. Ending point: greenspace at Elizabeth & Kehler. Hosted by Yarrow Fitness. Drinks * Snacks * Prizes

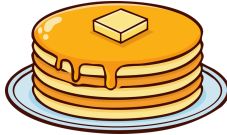


Pancake Breakfast

Where: Yarrow Canadian Reformed Church,
42285 Yarrow Central Rd

When: Saturday, June 6th, 8:00am-10:00am

What: Free pancake breakfast at the Yarrow Canadian Reformed Church! All welcome! Free parking all day Saturday behind the church (located directly across from the park). There will also be a donation bin and collection of non-perishable food items for local charitable causes.



Yarrow Days Parade

Where: Parade begins at Yarrow Community School, travels down Wilson Rd where it turns right onto Yarrow Central (heading West). The parade ends at the Yarrow MB Church.

When: Saturday, June 6th, 10:00am

What: The main event! Judges will be handing out ribbons for the best floats in each category! Sign-up your entry today. Details can be found at <https://www.yarrowcommunity.com/yarrow-days-2/>



Entertainment in the Park

Where: Yarrow Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St

When: Saturday, June 6th, 11:00am-3:00pm

What: Party in the Park

After the parade, gather at Yarrow Pioneer Park for all day entertainment stage, kids games, feature attractions, concession, merch sales, vendor village, and much more!

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2026 Show & Shine

Where: YUM Church, 4336 Eckert St

When: Saturday, June 6th, 8:00am - 12:30pm (No early birds, please)

What: An annual favourite! Come check out some classic cars.

Vehicle entry by donation to Yarrow Volunteer Society. Spaces are limited.



Food Truck Dinner

Where: Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St

When: Saturday, June 6th, 4:00pm-8:00pm

What: Skip cooking and come enjoy a dinner on the lawn with neighbors! Three food trucks will be present—G Donairs, Rollin’ Bits and Wingers.

Live Band - The Lounge Hounds at The Yarrow Days Dance!

Where: Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St

When: Saturday, June 6th. Doors open at 6:00pm. Dancing 7:00pm-11:00pm

Dance the night away with The Lounge Hounds! Since 2008, "Lounge Hounds" have been playing their version of high energy influenced rock and roll/rockabilly/classic rock throughout the Lower Mainland. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased online now. Late night lunch included!



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Open Houses

Yarrow Volunteer Fire Department Open House

Yarrow Fire Dept will be having their annual open house on June 6th at the Fire Hall. Drop by after the Yarrow Days parade, until 2:30pm, to meet your friendly neighborhood firefighters and see the trucks up close!



Hazelnut Inn Open House

“After years of sculpting, painting, and dreaming, the final chapter of the Hazelnut Inn is ready to be revealed. This Yarrow Days celebration, we are cordially inviting you to step through the gates of our magical little castle for a first look at the Copper Crown Suite.”-Hazelnut Inn Instagram. Immediately following the parade, until 3:00pm.



YARROW DAYS DANCE

LIVE BAND:
The Lounge Hounds


Doors open
at 6pm.
Dancing
begins at 7.

Sat, June 6th

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Brunch for ALL!

Where: Yarrow Community Centre, 4670 Community St

When: Sunday, June 7th, 9:00am-11:00am

What: Gourmet breakfast sandwiches, fruit platters, coffee & juice. Adults \$10. Kids under 12 \$5. Tots Under five free. Brought to you by the churches of Yarrow.



Community Church Service in the Park

Where: Yarrow Pioneer Park, 4390 Kehler St

When: Sunday, June 7th, 11:30am (Rain or Shine)

What: An interdenominational service put on by our wonderful local churches. All are welcome!

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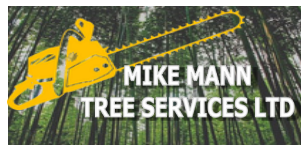
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We can't wait to see what you come up with!

Images courtesy of Pinterest

A Christ Centred Community

We meet on Sundays at 10am for our Worship Service. Kids and Youth Sunday School and discussion/coffee time in the basement follows.

If you would like to catch up on the sermons, you can listen on our website or on Spotify.

Summer Events

June 7 – Yarrow Days Community Church Service.

June 28-July 4 – Summer LOCALS (grade 6-12)

July 6-10 – Summer Kids Club (grade 2-6)

Registrations online.

August 9 at 10am - YMB Annual Picnic at Yarrow Community Center Park

Please go to our website or call the office for more details on what's happening throughout the week and for future events.

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Yarrow Volunteer Society/Yarrow Community School Society Bursary

Submitted by Cathy Giles

For over 30 years the Yarrow Volunteer Society has offered a bursary to a deserving graduating student who lives in Yarrow and has made an effort to volunteer in our community, particularly at Volunteer Society events. During the past year the Yarrow Community School Society provided additional funding so volunteering at school events is also given special consideration.

This year we have chosen Grenadine Harms. She is an outgoing and enthusiastic young lady with a great belief in the power of community. She absolutely loves Yarrow and has found volunteering has provided opportunities for different experiences and meeting a wide variety of people.




Grenadine has spent many hours volunteering: as a youth leader at her church, at the school, during Yarrow Days, and with other Volunteer Society events at the hall for many years (e.g. community dinners, Santa breakfast). She recalls clearing tables from a young age and that evolved into prepping and serving food and working in the “dish pit.”

Grenadine is heading to Bible College in England in the fall and plans to attend BCIT the following year. Congratulations on your achievements. We wish you all the best as you experience even more opportunities in new communities.




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A Pleasant Little Pheasant

Submitted by Carol Bell



There was some chatter on Facebook lately about ring-necked pheasants being spotted around town.

Male (only) birds are released each October by the Associated Wildlife Preserve group on farmland they lease to use for sports hunting. This activity has been ongoing for many years. Female birds cannot be hunted so none are released.

The handsome fella who has been spotted around town is likely a survivor from last October’s release out in the Sumas flats. He will have avoided who-knows-how-many attacks from hawks or coyotes. During extreme winter weather, pheasants can go up to two weeks without feeding by reducing their metabolism and energy requirements. If you see him in your yard, give him a thumb’s up. He’s one tough cookie.



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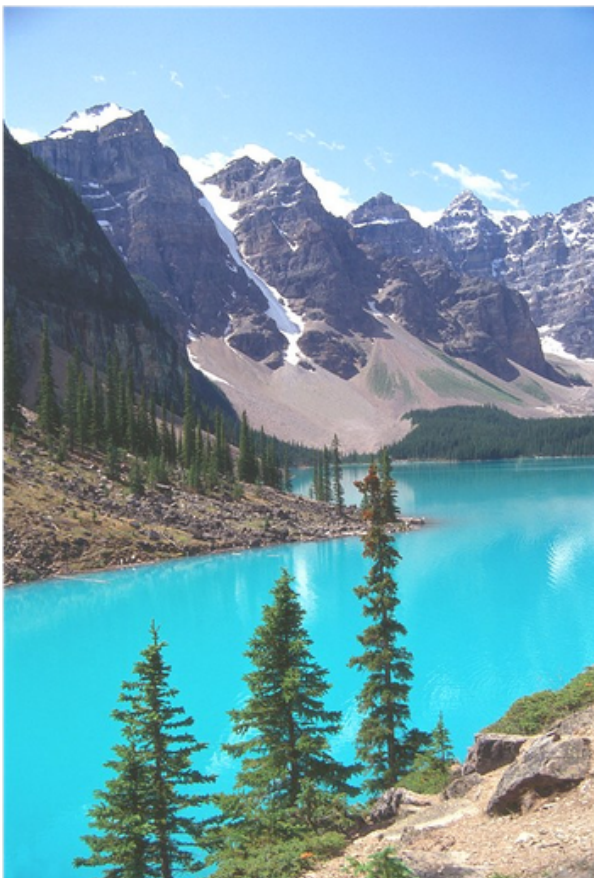
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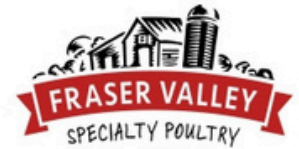
10AM - 4PM

Barn Burner BBQ & Car Show



Proceeds go to Ruth & Naomi's

4540 Simmons Rd. Yarrow, BC.
604 823-4435



Fun For the Whole Family

\$10 / person (12 & under free)

- BBQ
- Kids Zone
- Rock Climbing
- Mechanical Bull
- Live Band
- Mini Market

Still time to enter your car or be a sponsor.

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THE FARM STORE

Our Family Loves to Farm and Produce Good Food!



Did you know....

Yarrow residents get 10% off - just sign up!

Come check out our fresh local poultry (Chicken and Duck)
New Family Packs and Value Boxes

Made in-house meals
(Soups, burgers, pot pies, chili and more)

Johnston's pork

Klaassens berries & Pies

Fresh Bennana Bakery

Variety of Sausages

Fresh Produce

Avalon dairy & so much more!



4540 Simmons Rd. 604 798-9044 * Hours Mon - Sat 9-5

Hands Off My Post Office!



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For more than 150 years, people in this country have relied on the public post office to stay connected. That hasn't changed. What has changed is the willingness to protect and invest in it.

Today, Canada Post is pushing through sweeping cuts, including closing post offices, ending all door-to-door delivery, slowing mail processing, and outsourcing reliable community post offices to precarious private franchises.

These changes will lead to the loss of good, unionized jobs in communities across the country, including Yarrow.

These changes could also mean the closure of the only post office in Yarrow, forcing more people to drive to fewer post offices just for basic services.

Even worse, Canada Post and the government are moving forward with these cuts with little meaningful public consultation. Canadians deserve better. This is not our idea of a proud Heritage Moment.

These decisions have real impacts. Canada Post is a public ser-

vice that belongs to all of us. And public services should be expanded, not dismantled. Postal workers understand that the world has changed. We aren't against transformation. But there's a better way forward. We want to work together to build and expand the post office for current and future generations. Canada Post simply cannot cut its way to growth.

Postal services around the world are expanding into banking, community hubs, new delivery models, and green infrastructure. Post offices can offer basic banking in underserved communities, serve as local hubs for small businesses, and post offices can easily offer a nationwide EV charging network using existing property. These are practical, proven ideas that respond to real needs, and generate new revenue sources for Canada Post.

In a time of economic uncertainty and high unemployment, cutting good unionized Canadian jobs is an act of self-sabotage. Canadians are the owners of this public service. We have a right to shape its future. We're calling on the government to stop the cuts, undertake a full and transparent public review of Canada Post's mandate, and invest in new, revenue-generating services that meet the needs of Canadians.

More public services, more public revenue, more for Canadians at your doorstep.

Call your Member of Parliament and tell him: Hands Off My Post Office and let him know you want a full, transparent public mandate review, before it's too late!

Your MP for Chilliwack – Hope is Mark Strahl. You can contact him by mail, email, telephone or in person:

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Find out more about what services are at risk by going to

www.cupw.ca/hands-off