

# **JANUARY 2022**

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# **BETTER TOGETHER**





## **Emergency Temporary Housing**

The Temporary Emergency Housing program is designed for Whistler and area community members to access safe and temporary housing at no cost based on financial needs, emergency situations and extenuating circumstances. Participants must meet with a WCSS Outreach Worker prior to accessing housing to assess eligibility. This program is made possible by UBCM (Union of British Columbia Municipalities) Strengthening Communities' Program and is a partnership with the RMOW.

### **Food Recovery**

Recently our food security team took on food recovery as a way to generate healthy food options for food bank clients. Each week our team makes multiple trips to grocery stores in town to recover perishable foods that are nearing the end of their shelf life but are still usable in the short term. Not only are we providing healthy food but also diverting approx.

4,500kg in food waste from other means of disposal each month.



**More About Food Security** 



## **Maker Space - COMING SOON**

New to Whistler - we have a Maker Space opening next month at the *Re-Build-It Centre* in Function Junction. Our workshop will be available for tool library members. It gives an opportunity for residents to use this space for their projects they normally don't have space for. The maker space will provide access to all our tools in an environment where users can focus on their creative endeavors!

Re-Build-It Centre

### **Get to Know Us!**

#### Erin Harrison-Bray,

Outreach Worker/ Healthy Choices Coordinator

Each month we proudly showcase a member of our team to bring our team closer to you - the Whistler Community. This month we have the pleasure of sitting down with Erin from our outreach services team to learn a bit more about her:

Besides Whistler - where else do you call home? I am originally from South Australia but have called Whistler home for around 8 years

What is one thing that everyone should know about you? Travel fills my soul. I am so excited to experience new characters, cultures and cuisines again

When not at work - where would you most likely find you in the corridor? Strolling through local forests or kayaking and camping around beautiful BC.

What is your favorite winter activity? I love to craft during the winter, behind my sewing machine or hot glue gun in hand, crafting up a storm.

How long have you been working at WCSS? What was your first Job here? About a year and a half in some form. I began volunteering with the food bank, then became a food security worker and am now a part of the amazing outreach team.

What do you love best about your work? The inspiring people I get to work with everyday, and the constant reward knowing I make a positive impact in a community I love.



Whistler Community Services Society provides inclusive support to build a resilient community. Following our values of *Trust, Respect, Inclusion, Advocacy, and Collaboration*; we aim to work with the community to deliver low barrier services for healthy living.

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