



Fundraising Gala gets big boost from local businesses

The BV Health Foundation's annual fundraising gala is nearing and Executive Director, Laurel Menzel, reports that the event is on track with extreme gratitude to this year's silver sponsors. She described how a major event, such as the evening hosted at Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge, requires cash sponsorships to pay for the event expenses as well as gifts-in-kind to generate funds for the cause. "It's the BV Health Foundation's signature event and so we try to put some classy touches on it and make it a special evening for the guests," Menzel said. "The Silver Sponsors are a really great mix of businesses. All West Glass always put a lot of thought and energy into their auction item, Prestige trims the expenses so that we can put more cash right to the cause, Pretivm bought a ton of tickets to attend as well as sponsoring and BVCU and Aqua North have both been supporting this event since its inception." The BV Health Foundation is extremely lucky to have such loyal, community-minded partners behind them, supporting the gala. Proof that they must be doing something right. Gregory Wacholtz, Bulkley Valley Credit Union Branch Manager states "The Bulkley Valley Health Care and Hospital Foundation provides much needed funding for services within the Bulkley Valley. Bulkley Valley Credit Union is a proud supporter of the Gala event. Since the event supports local needs in the Bulkley Valley, it fits very well with our mandate of supporting our communities. We look forward to providing continued support to this very worthwhile cause."

The 8th Annual Fundraising Gala is being held at Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge on October 5, 2019. Tickets are sold out, but those who missed out on a ticket to attend can still view and bid on auction items by downloading the Handbid App and searching BVHealth2019 and purchase raffle tickets to win a "Smithers Shopping Spree" online at bvhealthfoundation.ca.