#### **VISION STATEMENT**

The Golden Aquatic Centre will be homegrown. It will proudly reflect the unique character of its place and bring all regional residents together through inclusive recreational activities. It will be a year-round, vibrant, community hub that provides health and wellness opportunities for all.

#### WHAT WILL BE INCLUDED?

- 6-lane pool
- Leisure pool, including lazy river, tots area, spray features, and beach entry
- Sauna/steam room

- Hot tub
- Universal and gendered change rooms
- Large multi-purpose room
- Administration



#### FUNDRAISING FOR THE NEW FACILITY

We've recently kicked off fundraising efforts, and so far have received CSRD Board support with a \$496,417 contribution from the CSRD's share of the proceeds from the sale of the Golden Visitor Information Centre.

We're actively submitting applications for grants from the federal and provincial governments. We're also pursuing local grants, sponsorships, and additional funding opportunities such as the Whitetooth Legacy Fund and Economic Opportunity Fund.

#### PLEDGE YOUR COMMITMENT TO DONATE

Interested in supporting the future aquatic centre? With support from the Columbia Valley Credit Union in Golden, we're looking for pledges from within the community and beyond. Big or small, it all helps.

The more pledges we receive from the community, the more funding we are likely to receive from granting organizations and other partners. For them, a pledge shows community support and is as good as money in the bank.



To complete a pledge form scan the QR code or visit GoldenOnDeck.ca/get-involved

You can also complete a pledge form at the Town of Golden office or the Columbia Valley Credit Union in Golden.

For more information, email ondeck@csrd.bc.ca or call Darcy Mooney, Manager Operations, at 1.888.248.2773.

On Deck is an initiative of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD), in partnership with the Town of Golden. To learn more, visit GoldenOnDeck.ca



Pledge Now!

# GOLDEN & ELECTORAL AREA A, IT'S TIME TO DIVE INTO...

...A NEW INDOOR AQUATIC CENTRE FOR YOUR COMMUNITY!

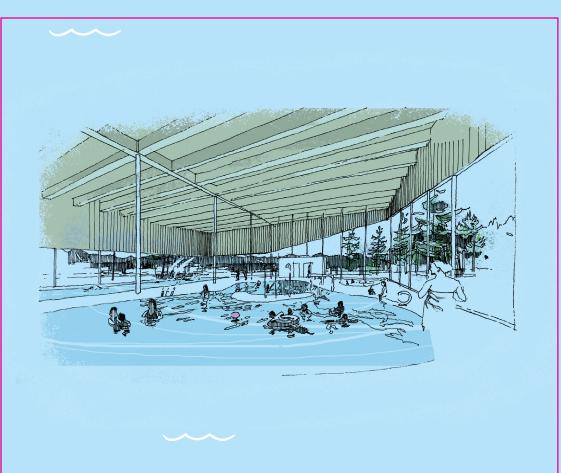
#### THIS FALL, THE FUTURE OF AN INDOOR AQUATIC FACILITY IN GOLDEN WILL BE PUT TO THE VOTE

On October 15, 2022, as part of the civic elections, we will hold a referendum asking residents of

Golden and Electoral Area A to vote on the future of an indoor aquatic facility in Golden.

On the ballot? An invitation to approve the capital loan needed to make the centre a reality. Together, this loan and funds raised through grants, sponsorships, and pledges will pay for the construction of the future facility.

We're in the final stages of confirming the loan amount, and associated referendum question, and will share both in June.



## YOUR COMMUNITY. YOUR AQUATIC CENTRE.

Through 2019 to 2021, the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) carried out a feasibility study on a new indoor aquatic centre in Golden.

Extensive engagement with an Advisory Committee and the broader community led to a vision statement and guiding principles, and then to the identification of preferred features for the future facility. These were balanced with meeting the desired cost and design.

The feasibility study found there was widespread community support to replace the current outdoor pool with an indoor aquatic facility, which connects to the existing ice arena in Golden. Its presence would create a central hub for the community for both indoor and outdoor activities.

For a full background to the project, including comprehensive FAQs and the Feasibility Study Report, visit GoldenOnDeck.ca.

## WHAT WILL IT COST?

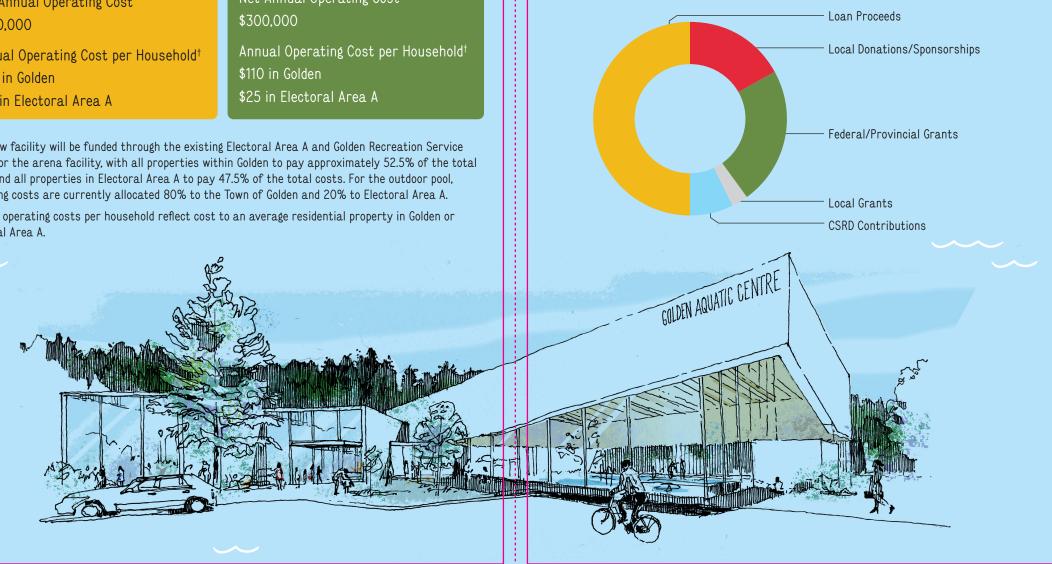
The total project cost related to the new aquatic centre is estimated at approximately \$35 million dollars.

For comparison, the cost of replacing Golden's existing outdoor pool, open only three months of the year, has been assessed at more than \$12 million dollars.

#### **Current Outdoor Pool Indoor Aquatic Centre** Full Replacement Cost Final Capital Cost \$12,000,000 (2020 estimate) \$35.000.000 (2022 Q2 estimate) Net Annual Operating Cost\* Net Annual Operating Cost\* \$300,000 \$600,000 Annual Operating Cost per Household<sup>†</sup> \$110 in Golden \$110 in Golden \$25 in Electoral Area A \$95 in Electoral Area A

\*The new facility will be funded through the existing Electoral Area A and Golden Recreation Service Bylaw for the arena facility, with all properties within Golden to pay approximately 52.5% of the total costs and all properties in Electoral Area A to pay 47.5% of the total costs. For the outdoor pool, operating costs are currently allocated 80% to the Town of Golden and 20% to Electoral Area A.

<sup>†</sup>Annual operating costs per household reflect cost to an average residential property in Golden or Electoral Area A.



## FUNDING THE NEW FACILITY

We have a fundraising goal of \$17 million dollars. This money will be used to offset the total project cost of \$35 million.

The remaining project cost will be funded through a loan of \$17–19 million to be repaid over 30 years, with an annual repayment cost of \$150-200 per household based on average residential property values in Golden and Electoral Area A. The loan amount will be confirmed in June.

Funding for the new facility will come from a range of sources as shown below. The exact split will vary depending on the grants, sponsorships, and donations received. Interested in pledging a commitment to donate? Turn to the back of this leaflet to find out how!