

Help make our communities stronger

Please consider donating by Friday, December 18, to the BC Hydro Power Pioneers 2020 Annual Giving Campaign.

Together we can make our communities stronger during the pandemic. You can provide critical support, helping everyone in our communities get the timely help they need, by donating to our Miracle Millions Campaign for BC Children's Hospital (BCCH), United Way (UW) and any Canadian charity.

This is our second year combining our campaigns into one effort. We encourage you to donate online through the links below. The benefit to donating online is that you can do it now and get an instant tax receipt emailed to you once you have completed your donation transaction. If you prefer to mail in your donation, please see the forms and information in this package.

Last year Power Pioneers raised \$12,365 for our local communities through United Way. Our 30th anniversary brings us close to \$2 million we have raised in support of the BC Hydro employee giving campaigns, which have funded much-needed programs in communities across B.C.

We are also getting closer to our second million for BC Children's Hospital, raising \$10,255 through last year's campaign. Your support will ensure the best possible urgent and life-saving care for kids today and for generations to come. Our BC Hydro Power Pioneers Ed Turner Memorial Endowment for Medical Genetics enables the pioneering work of BC Children's Hospital researchers. As part of our Miracle Millions Campaign, the Endowment is currently at \$770,000 and generates interest income of more than \$29,000 annually.

At the same time, our Power Pioneer branches have been supporting many local charities in your communities for 30 years! In support of their ongoing efforts at this critical time, we have a new incentive for our Annual Volunteer Hour Survey. See the back of this letter for more information on how you can help by submitting your volunteer hours for 2020 through our survey, generating \$20 to your Branch for your local community.

Thank you for your support. You are the reason we have accomplished so much for our communities and the kids of B.C.

Choose one of these giving options: you can donate online or by paper pledge forms included in this package.

1. Online (eLinks)

You can donate online by typing these links into the address bar of your web browser:

- BC Children's Hospital—
bcchf.ca/powerpioneers
- United Way—
eaccess.uwlm.ca/PowerPioneer

2. Paper pledge form (enclosed)

Fill in and sign the pledge form and mail by Friday, December 18.

- Mail your BCCH donation to:
BC Children's Hospital Foundation—
938 West 28th Avenue, Vancouver, B.C. V5Z 4H4
- Mail your United Way donation to:
United Way of the Lower Mainland—
4543 Canada Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5G 4T4

For more information on our campaigns, please email:
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Sincerely,

Jim Gemmill, Rob Kikkert, Ros LeBlanc, Lorilee Koltai
BC Hydro Power Pioneers Provincial Team

Thank you for supporting our communities!

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What's happening—a winter update

Membership—why keeping connected is important.

By joining Power Pioneers for just \$10 per year, you support our organization and the work of hundreds of volunteers in our communities. Your membership supports your local Branch and your community through the many projects that are carried out by members throughout the year. By staying connected, we can support each other through our eNewsletters, Branch online events, emails and phone calls, and when this pandemic is behind us, we will be here and we look forward to seeing you again.

Volunteer Hour Survey—you can help us help our communities.


Together we can make our communities stronger during the pandemic. By being a Power Pioneer member, you can participate in our online Volunteer Hours Survey. For every member that submits volunteer hours, we will donate \$20 to your Branch to give back to local charities and non-profits in your community. The survey will go out in late December. Don't miss this opportunity, join or renew with us today.



Gluu Tech Talk— Ten breakthrough technologies changing our world— Thursday, December 17.



Linda Fawcus presents this live online talk on the ten technology breakthroughs creating headlines, highlighting some of the technology helping to manage the COVID pandemic. Linda is the founder and CEO of Gluu Technology Society, a nonprofit organization that helps older adults use and understand today's technology to stay happy, healthy, and connected. Linda has been in software and technology development for over 27 years, is a Business Top 40 Under 40, has served on the RBC Young Entrepreneur Board, and is the host of two podcasts. She gives speeches across Canada, helping older adults and companies understand how seniors use technology. A link to the event will be sent to all members in our next eNewsletter. The talk starts at 11am, Thursday, December 17.




Jamboree 2021 Aloha Cruise—set sail with us next September 2021.

As a reminder, this Jamboree Cruise will be sailing September 2021 on the beautiful Celebrity Eclipse, departing Vancouver September 19 for 10 nights. The cruise includes five nights at sea from Vancouver, with stops in Victoria, Hilo, Kailua Kona, Lahaina, and ending in Honolulu. If you have any questions, contact Ros LeBlanc, 2021 Jamboree Chair at **604 588 3696**, or email **rosi@shaw.ca**. We continue to plan many fun activities on board as we sail to Hawaii. If you are considering joining us, please contact Traude at Expedia Cruises in Langley at **604 533 9339** or toll free **1 800 990 7447** from outside the Lower Mainland. Traude can also assist you with flights, hotel and other travel arrangements if needed.

Power Pioneer Gear store—have you checked out our face mask fundraiser?

2020 marked the launch of our new online gear store, **powerpioneersgear.com**, to continue raising money for BC Children's Hospital through the sale of our history books, art cards and face masks. We have also curated a collection of Power Pioneers gear and accessories available for purchase online, with a special promotional shipping rate of \$10. Check it out today!



Christmas 2020—we've gone virtual, see you in 2021.

While our Branches plan online get-togethers this holiday season, we will miss seeing you in person this year. We look forward to all meeting again at our 2021 luncheons. Best wishes for a very Merry Christmas and holiday season, and let's have a toast to a happy, new and better 2021.

