

ASSET TARGETS

WASHROOMS

Safe, clean and accessible washroom facilities enable and enhance the park experience for all.

A washroom strategy is currently in progress which outlines service standards (including design, access, and management) and guides renewal and expansion of washroom facilities in parks. When washrooms are available at a park, it means that people can come and stay for longer periods of time and enjoy a wider range of activities.

Asset Needs

- Prioritise upgrades of existing washrooms and adding washrooms at locations with multiple playing fields, destination playgrounds, water recreation access points, community gardens, beaches, and other key destinations where people stay for a few hours.
- Prioritise renewal using the Initiative Zones (see Equity chapter) and to address urgent safety and accessibility needs, including at least two new or upgraded washroom facilities in the Downtown Eastside by 2024.
- Aim to improve access by seeking opportunities along the Citywide Parks and Recreation Network (*Strategic Bold Move*) and near destination playgrounds, sports fields, water recreation access points, and community gardens.

Other Considerations

- Collaborate with City of Vancouver's Real Estate and Facilities Management and Vancouver Coastal Health to continue to revise and update the technical Design Guidelines for Washrooms. Through this process, engage with subject matter experts, equity seeking groups and the community to define optimum service standards (i.e. "good condition") based on indicators of state of repair, demand, access, safety, and satisfaction.



- Collaborate with partners, such as City of Vancouver Engineering, Vancouver School Board, Vancouver Public Library and Translink to fill known gaps in provision.
- Review and improve the quality and consistency of washroom signage (including way-finding, opening hours and signs indicating universal accessibility and welcome).



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- A washroom facility near every destination playground, sports field, water recreation access point and community gardens, and at intervals along the parks and recreation network (as shown on page 85).
- Achieve 70-80% of washrooms in good condition or better.