

# TALK Healthy City for All

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23-Apr-14	That the Ministry of Health take the Fee for Service budget for family docs and provide instead a fixed core amount for services to complex patients, and then allow FFS on top of that - this will ensure everyone gets a family doctor.			
23-Apr-14	I would like to see the closure of the roads that were closed for the Olympics in 2010, with space converted for people instead of cars - such an incredible sense of community. Plazas in European and Latin American cities are one of their greatest attractions - I feel like Vancouver lags far behind		 	
23-Apr-14	Free public spaces!! Sidewalk cafes, bocce courts, basketball hoops, hopscotch, conglomerations of food trucks, temporary art exhibits, concerts--anything that will attract people to 'hang out' in these places instead of at their computers.	    		
23-Apr-14	Rethink current zoning rules from the perspective of preventing adverse effects from air pollution on vulnerable people. New schools, daycares, seniors' residences, and bike paths should not be permitted within 200-500 m of busy roads			
23-Apr-14	Let's develop a comprehensive poverty reduction strategy. Like Calgary, this city has "enough for all". <a href="http://www.enoughforall.ca/">http://www.enoughforall.ca/</a>			
23-Apr-14	Vancouver deepen its involvement with the Be More Than A Bystander program and ensure that the bystander message be part of all of our efforts to end violence against women. <a href="http://www.bclions.com/page/bemorethanabystander">http://www.bclions.com/page/bemorethanabystander</a>		 	
23-Apr-14	More sharing projects like the Vancouver Tool Library would be great for connecting people, addressing wealth inequality and reducing waste. <a href="http://thesharingproject.ca/">http://thesharingproject.ca/</a>		  	
23-Apr-14	Everyone sign on to the Coalition of Childcare Advocates of BC to the \$10 a day childcare plan. <a href="http://www.cccabc.bc.ca/plan/community-plan/10day-child-care/">http://www.cccabc.bc.ca/plan/community-plan/10day-child-care/</a>	 		
23-Apr-14	More opportunities for people of different ages to learn together - youth and seniors have so much to offer each other			
23-Apr-14	BC should be the first province in Canada to implement a Guaranteed Annual Income or Basic Income ( <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guaranteed_Annual_Income">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guaranteed_Annual_Income</a> and <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basic_income">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basic_income</a> )			

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24-Apr-14	How about creating a "culture passport" with an incentive program where people can receive points for every arts cultural/event they attend and connect that to arts based classes to leverage through the Life Long learning agenda too		
24-Apr-14	A permanent, indoor skateboard facility for one of the rainiest cities in Canada. A safe and inclusive environment to thrive in, where the skateboard community can cultivate connections with each other, be active and expressive, be creative, and good a good start on lifelong learning.		
24-Apr-14	Establish a fund for people to create Little Free Libraries (see <a href="http://littlefreelibrary.org">littlefreelibrary.org</a> ), and allow them in public areas, such as along the Sea Wall and in City buildings.		
24-Apr-14	Muscle Park & Public Gyms! "Install a variety of bodyweight machines, ellipticals, bars, and benches that facilitate exercise across the parks and recreational public spaces around the lower mainland." "The pinnacle of this could be big public gym called "Muscle Gym" at English Bay!		
24-Apr-14	Extend hours and enhance accessibility of dog off leash areas city wide. Daily dog exercise provides physical and mental health benefits, and mitigates social isolation. City needs to take a more proactive approach of engagement/education, not enforcement/enclosure to encourage good OLA citizens.		
24-Apr-14	Some ideas from SFU's Healthy Campus Community Initiative include fostering a greater sense of community on campuses by creating opportunities for students to connect to one another within learning experiences and creating spaces that foster connection <a href="https://www.sfu.ca/healthycampuscommunity.html">https://www.sfu.ca/healthycampuscommunity.html</a>		
24-Apr-14	Encourage walking - mark crosswalks at "T" intersections, eliminate 1 parking spot at intersections, more "walk" time at lights, have wide sidewalks everywhere, enforce "no cycling" on sidewalks, enforce snow clearing, allow pedestrians back on the east sidewalk of Burrard bridge & much, much more.		 
24-Apr-14	An agreement between Animal Control and the VSB to use the fenced gravel fields for off leash dog use at off hours. This would take pressure of green park space for off leash. Have users pay a permit access fee, all funds raised go to schools for reading programs.		
24-Apr-14	More off leash dog parks in the areas that are lacking so dog owners do not have to drive far to available off leash areas, reducing emissions and bringing people in communities together.		

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- 25-Apr-14 Access to nature in the form of: local parks, conserved wild areas (ie. the local mountains and Stanley Park, etc), and more remote options. Educators can facilitate this access and all can work towards their conservation (limiting tankers, pipelines, clear cutting etc.). Re: Q1 
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- 25-Apr-14 Freedom to travel: dispel myth of 'stranger danger', allow sole trips over short distances via bike, board, skates, etc. This can be achieved through educators such as HUB or BEST and with further infrastructure improvements (traffic calming, carefree zones, bike lanes, etc.) Re: Q1   
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- 25-Apr-14 Ample good food: Children will thrive if allowed access to nutritious foods. This can be achieved via. more popup and farmers markets, reduced regulation on small batched foods (local/interurban farming), and perhaps regulation (GMO warnings, salt level restrictions, etc) Re: Q1 
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- 25-Apr-14 Way to explore hobbies/ passions: with enthusiasm children will excel. Access to a larger variety of activities, lower barriers to entry, mentors. This can be achieved through community center and in-school based workshops, municipal grant programs, skilled tutors/volunteers, etc. Re: Q1 
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- 25-Apr-14 Currently information on any subject is available but the barriers need to be dropped. Children could be given somewhat free reign over portions of learning outcomes. This can be achieved through library, internet, and mentor access and initiative of schools, community centers, and volunteers. Re:Q2   
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- 25-Apr-14 Granting alternative building structure and materials into the building code. The free market will follow. This can be achieved by allowing tiny homes and micro homes and opening up to shipping containers, cob, etc Perhaps dropping closet requirements for 'rooms' Re: Q3   
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- 25-Apr-14 Local small businesses make for a more connected and wealthy community. Bolstering them can be achieved through: business incubators and accelerators, pop-up shops, business literacy programs (starting in high school?), crowd funding, etc Re: Q4  
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- 25-Apr-14 Information and upgrading can further be bolstered via: Internet access/literacy (vlogs, blogs, forums), public libraries, and mentors. Access can be improved with free park wifi, online curriculum, programs to access computers, 'old' mobile device exchange, etc. Re: LL1 

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25-Apr-14	Conquering the fear to rail is fundamental to growth. This can be achieved through encouragement to explore ideas and to be allowed to fail without ridicule. Teachers and parents can stop criticizing students when they are wrong, and to allow micro failures to build the habit of persevering. Re:LLQ2		
25-Apr-14	A program to produce and distribute dedicated mobile Wikipedia devices. Re: LLQ1		
25-Apr-14	Better cycling infrastructure such as Dutch intersections: <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FIAPbxLz6pA">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FIAPbxLz6pA</a>		 
25-Apr-14	Identify opportunities to link sustainability, health and happiness and well-being: sustainable happiness. Take the lead on promoting well-being for all.		
25-Apr-14	Free wifi city-wide.		
25-Apr-14	Build an adventure playground modelled after the one in Britain. Kids are too overprotected and being able to play outside and be in control of their environments is critical for learning/ development. "" <a href="http://www.theatlantic.com/features/archive/2014/03/h ey-parents-leave-those-kids-alone/358631/">http://www.theatlantic.com/features/archive/2014/03/h ey-parents-leave-those-kids-alone/358631/</a>		 
26-Apr-14	To achieve 'active living and getting outside' goals all citizens should have access to a park or natural space within a 5 min. walk of their home.		 
26-Apr-14	Harness nostalgia of new immigrants for homes they've left behind--gatherings at neighbourhood houses for immigrants of particular regions where they can share stories about places, foods, and other things they miss. Allows networking and community-building around common interests and memories.	  	 
26-Apr-14	Financial and business literacy should be part of the basic and required curriculum. The current system assumes, and thus prepares us for, post secondary and non-applied situations. While calculus is great, statistics is much more useful on a daily basis. <a href="http://preview.tinyurl.com/l4zhyar">http://preview.tinyurl.com/l4zhyar</a>		
26-Apr-14	My idea is a sustainable gym where people generate energy while they are working out. the idea location is at George WainbOrn park."People will improve health and planet at the same time.		 
27-Apr-14	Environments to thrive in includes vibrant public social spaces where a diversity of ages can gather, connect, learn, and feel 'at home'. Such spaces should invite the head and the heart through public art and creativity-- the fun factor!		 

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27-Apr-14	Achieving Healthy City for All targets requires sustained leadership and collaborative commitment across different sectors. It would be great to see the healthy city targets receive high profile both at city hall, in the media and amongst the education, non-profit, and private sector.						
27-Apr-14	It would be strategic to build on the success of the Greenest City Action Plan to make the links between green city initiatives and healthy city initiatives.						
27-Apr-14	Encourage everyone in your community to attend programs offered by VPL and to make suggestions for programs to VPL staff.						
27-Apr-14	Invest in, support and promote the Vancouver Learning City initiative.						
28-Apr-14	Create a fund for initiatives/projects that are collaborations between a public institution (like VPL) and a community based organization that advances one of the Healthy City targets.						
28-Apr-14	Giving every kid in grade 5 the chance to learn to swim for free to help every child get a successful early start!						
28-Apr-14	Build a bi-directional separated bicycle lane on the Granville St. bridge connecting Howe St. to Fir St. Connecting Howe & Fir St's will greatly improve access to/from downtown, as it will create a nearly flat high-level crossing, that connects the two high elevation areas.						
29-Apr-14	The city should adopt a social procurement policy - social purchasing can leverage existing spending for a healthier city by keeping money local, creating employment opportunities for hard to employ, and using development projects as a tool for community development. We do green, why not social too?						
29-Apr-14	Hello. Vancouver has long been known as a stressful place to live and stress is a known cause of many diseases. WaterfallNow would like to propose building an indoor water garden in or around the VPL (library) where anyone can go to relax on break, meditate, or unwind with a good book.						
29-Apr-14	Re: Cultivating Connections. People in high-density housing report the most over-crowding and loneliness. Support a service that works with property managers/owners/residents to animate buildings and build vibrant community. Research in this area would be valuable--partner with a university, too.						

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29-Apr-14	Re: Cultivating Connections. Residents in high-density housing report the most over-crowding and loneliness. Create a worthwhile challenge for developers/architects to come up with functional, affordable designs for high-density buildings that foster community and engage residents.		
29-Apr-14	Re: Healthy Social Services. Support/fund at least one Collective Impact table around a goal in the Healthy City Strategy. A CI table will align funders, services, government and community so that we are all working together in a coordinated way to achieve meaningful targets.		
29-Apr-14	Promote/participate in the Tamarack Institute's 1000 Conversations on Community. It's a way for Canadians everywhere to come together to explore and envision the sort of community they want to live in and create together. <a href="http://seekingcommunity.ca/library-topics/1000-conversations">http://seekingcommunity.ca/library-topics/1000-conversations</a>		
29-Apr-14	Improve and increase off-leash dog parks to promote social interaction and community development.		
30-Apr-14	The City should pass a Living Wage Policy including contracted service workers who often paid very low wages. The City should also set up a Living Wage Unit to engage & encourage members of the business to become Living Wage Employer. This would show clear leadership in tackling low wage poverty.		
30-Apr-14	WIRELESS FREE ZONES-GO FIBER OPTICS! France is going with no wireless in schools to safeguard kids, Italy uses only wired energy meters on homes and businesses. Reducing exposure to wireless smog from all wireless devices is the real "smart" solution! <a href="http://wiredchild.org/government-alias.html">http://wiredchild.org/government-alias.html</a>		
01-May-14	Goal 7: Cultivating connections "Supporting community programs and existing third party youth programs such as Scouts, Guides, and other youth and adult programming by giving them a preferred rate in existing community centres and other city facilities"		
01-May-14	Remove the helmet ban by-law for the seawall and other city property."(active living and getting outside)		
01-May-14	Promote the local food sector. There are so many farms within Metro Vancouver, these farmers help keep our agricultural lands productive and can help provide healthy nutritious food to all Vancouverites. Help everyone get to know local farms and farmers, we can build our community around local food!		

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01-May-14	create tax incentives with the provincial government for those who volunteer their time in education based organizations. ""(goal 9- lifelong learning)		
01-May-14	Ontario has community health centres as neighbourhood hubs for accessible, prevention-focused health services. We need similar community health centres in Vancouver to foster citizen participation in health programs with a focus on prevention to build a truly healthy city. ""	 	
01-May-14	Offer (and better-promote) grants like the Vancouver Foundation's Neighbourhood Small Grants program to help neighbours create community sharing spaces (e.g. book- or CD-sharing kiosks) and help cultivate connections.		
01-May-14	Better maintenance on parks playground equipment and replace aging equipment more frequently. Fosters childhood development and provides places for families to interact.		 
01-May-14	Promoting/participating in community events, like 100 in 1 Day Vancouver, that help to build neighbourhood projects and foster community connections. <a href="http://100in1day.ca/vancouver">100in1day.ca/vancouver</a>		
01-May-14	When we discuss helping the public engage with the arts, and bringing the arts to every community, Council has to stop categorizing bars and clubs as "arts and cultural spaces" and "community arts" spaces. We need public spaces, not using private business to fulfill arts spaces/funding obligations.		 
01-May-14	Public transport is a human right. translink should be a public service rather than a for-profit company. Please consider slashing the cost of transit tickets by 50%. E.g. Zone 1 monthly travel pass is currently \$91. Reduce it to \$45.		
01-May-14	Introduce off lease dog parks in Kitsilano. Over at <a href="http://vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/dog-off-leash-areas.aspx">vancouver.ca/parks-recreation-culture/dog-off-leash-areas.aspx</a> you can see that Kitsilano is quite under represented		
01-May-14	Sidewalks on EVERY street - many streets in Vancouver have only one, or no, sidewalks. Other areas have sidewalks on both sides of the street but strict "no crossing" rules. To make the city walkable, there should be sidewalks and pedestrian crossings allowed on every street in the city.		 
02-May-14	Free HIIT workouts in parks. Not only the street gym, but free workouts and fitness/health tips posted on poles, or free fitness and health workshops	 	

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03-May-14	Allow neighbourhood parking permits to be used for creating a container garden in an off-street parking space or for setting up a covered bike locker like <a href="http://www.creativesystems.com/popup/bikephoto.html">http://www.creativesystems.com/popup/bikephoto.html</a>			
03-May-14	Create a neighbourhood division system in the Vancouver core which draws boundaries based on arterial and residential streets (e.g. Broadway/MacDonald/4th/Burrard). These residents organize and be empowered to bring in additional traffic calming measures and further housing densifications.			
03-May-14	Add requirements for new developments in downtown to support affordable multi-bedroom units. Families are frequently pressured to move out of Vancouver due to lack of space and affordability.			
03-May-14	more live music venues for dancing			
03-May-14	More traffic controlled streets with garden meridians. Long walk signals for children, elderly and differently abled. Block streets during summer for street parties.			
03-May-14	Neighbourhood grants to promote social connections and the building of neighbour support systems			
04-May-14	How about anything that would encourage more neighbourly neighbours like Vancouver used to be. maybe free English classes.			
04-May-14	Encourage citizens to use trash containers, and put more available containers on our streets, especially at Bus stops, Create an enforceable trash by-law to penalize inconsiderate trash droppers.			
05-May-14	Encourage new developers of residential buildings, like apartments and condos, to make their buildings smoke-free from the outset to increase the supply of smoke-free housing options for those who don't want to breathe second-hand smoke in their own homes.			
05-May-14	Provide VSOC-type full-time daycare spots across the City, to all kids under kindergarten age. This supports Goals 1, 4 and 5.			
05-May-14	Build an easy access pedestrian pathway under the Granville Street bridge. Use minimal stairs and ramps for accessibility. It is very difficult to get on and off the current pedestrian and bike lanes. There is a lot of unnecessary walking and unsafe exposure to high speed vehicle traffic.			

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- 05-May-14 Adopt a Sanctuary City policy as outlined by No One Is Illegal. <http://toronto.nooneisillegal.org/sanctuarycity>  
Everyone should be able to access City services without fear of deportation. This addresses Goal 6 in particular, but would make progress on others as well.  
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- 05-May-14 Rescind the DTES Local Area Plan and model a new plan off of the LAPP's Low Income Caucus's position: "<http://ccapvancouver.files.wordpress.com/2013/12/lapp-lic-flyer-legal-size-final.pdf>" This is particular relevant to Goal 2, but intersects with the other goals as well.
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- 05-May-14 Build an urban treehouse that promotes sustainability and healthy living. Think of it like a visitor info centre for hands on learning. Healthy City and Greenest City initiatives and strategies can be taught in an experiential learning environment. \*Future hub for the 2015 CofV Bike Rental program.    
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- 05-May-14 Mapping noise throughout the whole city. Engaging people by identifying & mapping quiet sanctuary places in the city. UBC Research has linked sound pollution to heart disease (<http://bit.ly/1iRAUPj>) Europe Environment Agency developed a best practice guide for quiet places: (<http://bit.ly/1iWqDeW>)  
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- 05-May-14 Encourage through incentives, regulation and design review that multi-level buildings highlight stairwells with daylighting etc... to be central architectural elements to be used daily & avoid relegating stairs to the function of just a fire escape.
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- 05-May-14 I want this city to be the greenest it can be in easy creative ways. ""2 things: ban styrofoam containers still used in many restaurants for take out, and shamelessly sold at Costco in packs of 1000. ""Also, ban the sell of single use plastic water bottles like San Francisco just did.
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- 05-May-14 We should have drop in lounges throughout the city where people can just hang out and enjoy each other's company. These could be at local schools on a certain night of the week. People can just chat, read, enjoy a board game or there could be a topic of discussion in a part of the room. No internet.   
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- 06-May-14 Create an incentive (requirement?) that apartment and condominium buildings offer electric vehicle recharging capabilities for their residents. 
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- 06-May-14 A Good Start: regulate and/or lower childcare/daycare costs.  

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- 06-May-14 Vancouver is noisy - enforce noise bylaws for the many cars and especially motorcycles that create noise clearly beyond what our laws allow. Also; reduce siren use by public safety vehicles when possible, and eliminate the use of horns by trains in the city. 
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- 06-May-14 Reduce crowding, noise and crime by ceasing City Hall's push to densify Vancouver.
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- 06-May-14 Increasing access to nature and the outdoors for marginalized individuals with multiple barriers towards getting there such as poverty, mental health and addictions. This includes urban, near urban and green spaces/wilderness. Nature heals us and makes us all better people. Forest and the Femme.  
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- 06-May-14 Encourage more active water recreation: More access & storage for non motorized boats & boards along False Creek, Fraser River & Burrard Inlet. More beach camps for children modelled on Australian surf lifesaving nipper kids camps. Foster community beach clubs that foster volunteerism & stewardship.  
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- 06-May-14 #heartconnect. Create a "map of connectivity". Inspire, leading to actions that increase health and happiness. A road map online, linking people, ideas and information, via multiple points of view. Street art illustrates opportunities of connecting. Multi-layered and accessible in a variety of ways.  
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- 06-May-14 Outdoor gymnasium circuits in city parks: fun, durable and safe exercise machines arranged in a circuit with well designed training education boards. Increasing equity of access to isometric exercise facilities. Design should have both adults & seniors in mind. 
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- 06-May-14 Renew commitment to deploying a Public Bike Share in Vancouver; supporting access to active transportation. We can now look south to Seattle's new Pronto bike share starting fall 2014.  
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- 06-May-14 #7- Cultivating Connections: City hall should make voting records public. Voters could receive report of voting record with notice of polls. Neighbours could see who votes. Turn-out in 2011 election was 34 %. Poor turn-out raises question about public support for any measure that city hall takes. 
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- 06-May-14 Walkability for nightlife - The City should promote nightlife in every neighbourhood. Pros: Less drinking and driving, more street activity will deter predators & other criminals, and spin-off businesses will stay open later, adding to the activity. Safe streets, social people, fun city.   

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06-May-14	Set aside spaces for quiet conversation, silent thought, contemplation, all in an outdoor space. No horns, sirens, fans, yelling, traffic. The natural sounds of birds and wind in the trees and grasses will come to be more noticeable. Nature will help heal the hurts inflicted by daily urban living.		
07-May-14	Improve on the current off leash dog areas by providing better and more signs, shrubs and trees for clearly marked boundaries and providing biodegradable poo bags." Add more off leash dog areas so each community has one within walking distance - this will help end off leash dogs in on leash areas.		
07-May-14	Instead of planting flower gardens all over the city, lets replace them with gardens of vegetables and fruit that is free for anyone that walks by.		
07-May-14	I believe everyone who resides in DTES should be given white horses (No other colour). For the reason that, for once we the people of DTES can say we have high horses.		
07-May-14	Allow for small-scale mixed use development in single-family neighborhoods so that neighborhoods can have a local coffee shop or corner store where people can meet their neighbors.		
08-May-14	turn the georgia viaduct into a mixed use space, bike paths, park and gardens!"		
08-May-14	Create a parks passport for kids (and adults) to get excited about exploring green spaces in our city. Highlight unique features of the park, or something interesting to explore there.		
08-May-14	Increase quality part time work by engaging employers to find solutions and increase the awareness of quality part time work in Vancouver. See <a href="http://parttimevancouver.wordpress.com">http://parttimevancouver.wordpress.com</a> "		
08-May-14	Develop national consensus on the importance of seniors levels of gov't to invest in a continuum of housing needs in cities to address income inequality and for the promotion of health, especially for 1st nations people living off reserve, supportive housing, for median income folks and seniors		
08-May-14	"Wake up for young minds," an education project to raise awareness surrounding mental illness and addiction. An open discussion directed towards youth in which individuals with mental illness and addictions can share their experiences and de-stigmatize ideas amongst youth about mental health issues.		

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| 08-May-14 | With lots of people looking for/struggling to find work these days, Vancouver should provide assistance to those people in gaining employment, without having to go through the hassle of employment resource centres. This will be helpful for those whom aren't as socially adept.   |    |   |
| 08-May-14 | Please keep or expand our beautiful green spaces for the health of all. "Sincerely seek approval of the public and residents of locations involved before proceeding with developments." " <a href="https://ca.news.yahoo.com/yaletown-residents-sue-vancouver-over-emery-barnes-park-203641830.html">https://ca.news.yahoo.com/yaletown-residents-sue-vancouver-over-emery-barnes-park-203641830.html</a> |    |    |
| 08-May-14 | Update light-industrial zoning bylaws to allow for fitness centers and physical recreation businesses to operate there, as opposed to the current high-rent commercial/retail zones only. We can drastically impact the health and well-being of our citizens and provide full and part-time employment.   |    |    |
| 08-May-14 | Coaching has the power to help people and businesses thrive! Let's engage International Coach Federation (ICF) members in volunteer coaching the non-profit leaders and individuals in our community. The customized, flexible nature of coaching could help advance all these wonderful Healthy City goals.   |    |   |
| 09-May-14 | Increase and protect green space alongside densification strategy - as we have more people living in smaller spaces, we will need more space outside for everyone to share. Make sure that recreation spaces are welcoming for everyone including off leash dog spaces that are large enough and demarcated  |  |  |
| 09-May-14 | The Healthy city: good design, beauty and throw in some fun. The actual physical fabric of the city could make you healthy. How wide sidewalks are, is there street furniture, do you have parks with nature, community gardens and interesting places all have an effect on our health.   |  |  |
| 09-May-14 | Increase the # of off-leash dog parks. Dog owners are 36% of Vancity yet only have 5% of space in only 36 out of 220+ parks. We need more off-leash parks for all to enjoy. Dogs provide health/safety benefits to their owners and to the community. Many non-dog owners also enjoy off-leash dog parks.  |  |   |
| 09-May-14 | Consider the acoustic ecology of our cityscape in the urban planning!"Vancouver's skyscappers create "glass canyons", but there is little to no assessment of the impact of sound throughout out neighborhoods. It is imperative to take into account this invisble element with every developemnt proposal"   |   |  |

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- 09-May-14 Keep off-leash dog parks large, open and unfenced. Dog walkers use parks day & night 365 days a year, our presence deters criminal behaviour. Support dog owners who are frequent users of park space, add lights and place poop bags at all off leash parks.  
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- 09-May-14 Our noise bylaw is a complaints-based system. A healthy city needs to have guidelines and evaluate the long term acoustical impact of new development-not only the amount of daylight and mountain views. Considering that frequencies travel for kilometers, there is a clear impact on all our lives. 
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- 09-May-14 Don't allow left hand turns, during morning & afternoon rush hours on arterial streets, UNLESS there is a left hand turn lane. One car making such a turn holds up dozens of cars that idle away ( in our idle-free city). This would keep traffic, including public transit, flowing much smoother.  
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- 09-May-14 Encourage the VPS board to have cycling and bike maintenance classes! Get kids on bikes early! Identifying ideal routes for them to take to school! Find ways to get a bike to every student, they can be recycled to others as they grow out of them. Students are responsible for replacing if misused.  
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- 10-May-14 Advocate for municipal voting rights for landed immigrants and refugees. Addressing this profound disenfranchisement of resident non-citizens would build inclusivity, encourage civic participation, enhance the accountability of politicians given the rising % of vancouverites in this demographic. 
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- 10-May-14 The Idea Centre. The City should build a community centre designed to facilitate entrepreneurship. In essence, like a giant coffee shop - housing a diversity of spaces for active and quiet, solo and collaborative, working/studying. Access must be free. Wifi must be good. Extensive consultation req'd      
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- 10-May-14 1 Neighbourhood walkability. Fix sidewalks using green attractive materials 2 More green space 3 Stop paving green space, beaches & parks for ugly 12ft w black asphalt bike lanes or parking 4 Stop encouraging high density development 5 Free or low cost transit 6 Encourage community/backyard gardens.   
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- 10-May-14 Healthy food!! Design community kitchens - A place where people can learn to cook healthy, sustainable food OR where groups can gather to cook together. A healthy diet reduces the risks of life-style diseases and reduces green house gases from factory farming.   

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| 10-May-14 | Have more community based health care in neighbourhoods that are close to transit, walking/biking, which would include primary care, nurses, dental, laboratory testing, occupational therapy, physical therapy, etc., in one location for all services beings made in high density locations being built.      |    |   |
| 10-May-14 | Making roads that are against skytrain routes (i.e. Vanness Avenue in Vancouver) to be closed off to vehicles and make it made enlarged pathways for bikes & pedestrians and areas for community gardens and small farms.   |    |   |
| 10-May-14 | The city owns many pieces of land that are not being used currently and has a potential to be used for community gardens, small farms, park, art location, or community meeting places. Could there be a temporary use clause for individuals to create something community driven and based                    |    |   |
| 11-May-14 | Allowing youth aged 16 and under to vote. This would encourage youth involvement in politics, increase voter turnout, and would help youth represent themselves in the city. Special consideration should be given to the possibility of youth voting for school board officials.                               |   |  |
| 11-May-14 | "<br>Community meet up: to make better connected community. "*Partners: Library ,community center, Church and local business association etc., "* Collect topics from pubic.* On monthly basis. * Using social media to post the ideas and promote events *Funding from sponsorship " "May 10 Idea Lab table 7" |   |  |
| 11-May-14 | The city should sponsor a youth mentorship program for highschool students in partnership with the VSB and City Studios. This will give more work experience to students and identify educational pathways for their future. Also helps insure more jobs and adequate income for the next generation.           |  | <br> |
| 11-May-14 | To utilize Parks Board Kitchens with CityStudio's Foodshare Program to create spaces for Community Potlucks that happen regularly. Looking into utilizing avenues such as food bank and private gardens as source of food. Starting in one neighbourhood food network- spreading across all. Want to help?      |  |  |
| 11-May-14 | A Living Wage Policy is good for all of us. There are costs when we do not pay people a living wage; higher healthcare for those under stress to make ends meet; higher crime; food banks & school meal programs. Our society functions better when people are valued, properly housed and well nourished.      |  |   |

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11-May-14	improve maintenance of basic existing recreation facilities such as the older washrooms and older tennis courts (per Tatlow) in order to improve and encourage public use of same and avoid liability - and restore the Aquatic Centre back to salt water or to ozone so that more folks can swim	
12-May-14	Monitor noise levels (especially downtown) to ensure that our streets and public spaces are comfortable and healthy for all. This is common practice in many European cities.	
12-May-14	Establish Healthy, Fresh Nutritional and Food Quality Standards City-wide for ALL, particularly for the nutritionally vulnerable - that would guide food waste, food rescue, food growing, urban farms, charitable food programs (free meals/food banks), day cares, city facilities etc.	
12-May-14	Vancouver is a unique city providing recreational space; this space can add to the well being of Vancouverites by adding adult minded playground areas, monkey bars, bouldering walls a park court type of environment	
12-May-14	Ensure that licensed quality childcare is available for all families that want it.	 
12-May-14	Better Bike Infrastructure: Idaho stops ""Research and common sense say slowly rolling through a stop sign on a bike shouldn't be illegal"" <a href="http://www.vox.com/2014/5/9/5691098/why-cyclists-should-be-able-to-roll-through-stop-signs-and-ride">http://www.vox.com/2014/5/9/5691098/why-cyclists-should-be-able-to-roll-through-stop-signs-and-ride</a> Re: 'enviro. 2 thrive', 'active living and getting outside'	 
12-May-14	Bolster Last Mile Transport ""Use legislation and incentives to encourage alt. delivery and transportation within city bounds. eg: Electric and natural gas drives and bio diesel drives as well as bike and trike delivery."" <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Last_mile_(transport)">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Last_mile_(transport)</a> Re: healthy human services	
13-May-14	Make Granville Island a car free area. Also add other car free areas through the downtown core.	 
13-May-14	Turn the unused Olympic streetcar stations into summer street markets or pop-up art locations. Fresh produce on the way home! Art gallery for local artists!	 
13-May-14	Affordable retail. Allow converted rail cars to be used as affordable shops, cafes, restaurants on any of the cities unused rail lines.	 

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13-May-14	Add pedestrian activated lights on West 12th Ave on every block to prevent racing and improve safety. Broadway is now skipped by using 12th. Connect the network by at least matching every light on Broadway with one on W12th.				
13-May-14	Connect the First nations Reserve Land! Work with the Musquem and other Coast Salish People to develop streetcar from Vanier Park to the Fraser! (Arbutus Corridor) Local jobs for their communities, connections between our communities, and a promotion of inclusion of ALL peoples!				
13-May-14	Affordable Housing! Income-linked rents. A healthy city needs people of all incomes to provide many of the cultural services we all enjoy. Don't make these people commute so far and everyone benefits!				
13-May-14	My idea is to apply sustainability in public schools and libraries. "I attach example with descriptions.				
13-May-14	A bi-weekly meetup at grassroot level partners with CMHA, EAP, community center, etc. for children, youth, adults, families, senior, & new immigrants to foster meaningful living, cultural exchange, lifelong learning, understanding others and expressing ourselves to build a healthy Vancouver.				
13-May-14	#TO MAKE OUR CITY HEALTHY: "Housing is not a privilege, it is a Right ! ""1. Build Beehive/Capsule Hotels."2. Allow the Homeless to set up tents cities in designated green spots in Vancouver""				
13-May-14	" #To Tackle The MASSIVE Drug Problem: ""Set up a designated RED ZONE comprised of an X number of city blocks where drugs and/or related activities may be permitted or tolerated... and where such activity outside of the RED ZONE would constitute a punishable offence.				
14-May-14	Create a community connector role within high-rise buildings. 'Common rooms' would be used as community hub in existing buildings (reclaiming little used space). For new buildings it would be required as part of development. Connectors would provide resources, organize events etc. for residents.				
14-May-14	How can the City develop policy which includes social procurement? There are many social enterprises in Vancouver who receive no funding and compete in the market place. It would be helpful to include these social enterprises businesses in the procurement process. When will this start to happen?				

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14-May-14	#TURN NEIGHBOURHOODS INTO SMALL MUNICIPALITIES - AND BEGIN PRACTISING A FORM OF DIRECT DEMOCRACY.....A "TAKE BACK VANCOUVER" MOVEMENT !		
15-May-14	Toilets. Urinals. ""All of the alleys smell of pee. "" Granville St. smells of pee. ""Millions of dollars on roads but I have to buy a latte to visit the John. ""It's basic infrastructure that everyone needs and keeps things clean. Blanket the city with them. ""Let us be free to pee. ""#freetopee		
15-May-14	To cultivate connections between neighbours: provide support 'monthly meet-ups' at a regular, repeated time each month. The desire/need is there; all the city would do is providing support for a venue, a bit of food, and perhaps training for neighbourhood 'co-hosts'.		
15-May-14	Accessible map of ALL green spaces. For people on the go/work all day, great way to de stress, take a moment for respite, catch rays. For people with mobility challenges/disabilities who can't easily wander about until they find a space. Mobile app with GPS function		
15-May-14	Ban two stroke engines... Electric alternatives exist and are affordable.		
15-May-14	Create a comprehensive plan for pets in the City. Keep the numbers sustainable, create cooperatives for pet sharing, create locally sourced ethical food shares, compost of waste, protect wild species from pets and educate children and others on keeping the environment, people and wild species safe.		
15-May-14	#BUILDING AFFORDABLE HOMES FOR THE ECONOMICALLY CHALLENGED...ENCOURAGE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT: "" <a href="http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WMNzoWkXTtc">http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WMNzoWkXTtc</a>		
16-May-14	Create more parks, public spaces and cycling and walking routes in what are currently our roads. Make car-free zones, similar to many European cities. This will increase active transportation, park space, spaces for connection and spaces people really care about.		 
16-May-14	Allow childcare supply to meet demand. Instead of more regulations, work with the province and find a way to encourage more childcare facilities to open. Remove unbelievably high licensing fees and red tape so it becomes a a feasible venture for entrepreneurs.		

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16-May-14	Lower the massive tax levied on Developers if they commit to a percentage of their large residential condo projects to lower income rental housing. help create diversity and affordability in every community in Vancouver.	
16-May-14	Making rental housing more affordable by allowing rent geared to income development in City properties that are under/un-used. The City could keep ownership, contract to a property management and/or development company, and after capital costs are paid off make profit to build more housing.	
16-May-14	City of Vancouver Accelerator. Similar to tech accelerators like GrowLab. Residents with ideas will have the opportunity to connect with the leadership table, mentors, and city resources. There will be space provided in one of the city buildings and a facilitator to help turn ideas into action.	
16-May-14	A hyperlocal marker placed in public spaces to identify the surrounding community. People who live in close proximity to the marker can enter the associated # and connect to a digital network. People can share interests, connect with neighbours, create events and cultivate a sharing economy.	
17-May-14	#POVERTY is a multi-billion dollar a year business of exploitation, and neglect. Public pressure must be brought to bear on the local and provincial government to stop the issuance of citations and leave the poor to occupy designated green spaces, forests, and cap sites to build tent cities. """"	
17-May-14	#END BICYCLER BELLIGERENCE !"1. Impose Heavy Fines on Cyclists using Pedestrian Paths, Walkways and Sidewalks instead of their own Cycling Paths. ""2. Impose Heavy Fines on Cyclists who violate the walking paths of Ecologically Sensitive areas by ignoring " No Bicycles Permitted" Signage.	
17-May-14	Create Connections and recognise the source of true value ...People. ""#BUILD BARTER NETWORKS :)	 
17-May-14	# Print and Create Community Currency	 
18-May-14	enforce littering fines. our parks are used as personal garbage dumps and there needs to be enforcement to deter the bad behaviour. "	 
18-May-14	Balance roadwork so that it is not so difficult to get around the city.	
18-May-14	Trout Lake off leash dog park should stay the same size...only upgrade the field and or turf. A safe and enjoyable dog area encourages people to WALK to the park. Which is aligned with the city's 8th GOAL!	 

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18-May-14	Bring together the service providers in the DTES to address the multiple issues that contribute to homelessness. Build a well-rounded strategy that helps each individual through each stage to their personal freedom & provide a safe, long-term place to reside. There isn't just one answer.		
20-May-14	#1. TO MAKE HOUSING MORE AFFORDABLE: Impose a 30 year ban on all foreign ownership and purchasing of all real estate in Vancouver. As well as ban new immigrants from opening new businesses for a number of years...this includes whether or not they are acting as agent or proxy.		
20-May-14	#2. The City should stop handing out Condo permits like candy to developers and instead start building more affordable living spaces to house the poor and working poor.	 	
20-May-14	# PEOPLE OF VANCOUVER ...IT'S TIME TO START TALKING ABOUT ORGANISING A MANDATORY " PLEBISCITE" ON ENDING POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS , ONCE DONE - IT'S RESULTS WOULD BE BINDING ON PUBLIC OFFICIALS.	 	
20-May-14	The Reading Bear is an early literacy peer buddy reading initiative;educating the heart-mind. Our pilot year, we have reached 430 youth, organizing peer reading visits to elementary schools by high school students. Goal:to make this a service learning program for high schools"info@thereadingbear.ca	 	
20-May-14	Create a "Neighbour Day", where designated streets are blocked off around the city, and neighbours are encouraged to get to know one another. Each neighbourhood could be lead by a volunteer committee within that respective area with support from the city and local businesses.	 	
20-May-14	Model Vancouver after European cities " increase the number of car free zones so that restaurants, patios and shops may exist in traffic free areas away from the noise pollution created by vehicles.		
21-May-14	Permit alcohol consumption in public spaces during designated hours (12pm-8pm). Most people are responsible; fine those that are acting irresponsibly, presumed to be a danger to themselves or to anyone around them. Allowing more freedom will reduce the taboo associated with alcohol.		

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21-May-14	Parks are not wheelchair friendly. Create, modify, and design better parks and off-leash Dog Park for wheelchair users with adaptive accessible walk way paths so that they can easily wheel, exercise, and get out in nature with or without a dog. Rick Hansen Institute can make this idea come alive.	 
21-May-14	Add a little colour and culture, get people to hang out, grab a bite to eat, or buy groceries without having to drive to the nearest mall. Consider zoning for local corner stores, coffee shops, produce stands, or restaurants, to some of our lifeless residential neighbourhoods.	  
21-May-14	#OFFER THE CITY AND PROVINCE THE CHOICE - END THEIR U.N AND CANADIAN CHARTER HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS WHICH INTENTIONALLY CREATE AND ENCOURAGE ECONOMIC GENOCIDE AND CREATE POVERTY BY INTENTIONALLY SERVING THE INTERESTS OF PREDATORY CAPITALISTS OR..GET READY TO FACE THE SOCIAL REVOLUTION TO COME !!	
21-May-14	An outdoor swimming pool in every neighbourhood (Goal 8: active living/getting outside). Kids can walk rather than being driven to "destination" swimming pools. (Goal 12: neighbourhood walk Score of at least 70) and they meet up with others who live nearby ( Goal 7: cultivating connections).	  
21-May-14	Living wage--requires education, feasibility study, models for business""* Developed at the May 15th Ideas Lab at Ryerson	
21-May-14	Use proposed "Vpole" (utility and wifi hotspot) as community connector--meet other people in neighbourhood through online network""* Developed at the May 15th Ideas Lab at Ryerson	
21-May-14	Community centres as a neighbourhood hub--repository of local history, connecting neighbourhood groups, pop-up libraries, neighbourhood passports, etc.""* Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab	   
21-May-14	Living spaces--social sustainability built environment guidelines (like LEED) to enhance public and private space for social interaction""* Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab	 
21-May-14	Citizen Hubs/Digital Ideas Kiosks--In every neighbourhood, a place to share ideas, connected with like-minded individuals and learn about projects in the community. ""* Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab	

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| 21-May-14 | I can do, share, create! Building neighbourhood based centers for sharing, focused on supports for vulnerable populations (children, seniors, isolated people)***<br>Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab   |    |    |   |
| 21-May-14 | Dementia Detectives--a training and awareness program to help landlords identify seniors who might have dementia or cognitive impairment or who are at serious health risk and get them mental health services and supports***<br>Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab              |    |    |   |
| 21-May-14 | Using what we have--neighbourhood inventory of underutilized spaces and needs assessment to determine use of space based on community need***<br>Developed at the May 13th Civic Advisory Committee Ideas Lab   |   |    |    |
| 21-May-14 | Abolish or lower the fine for having dog 'off-leash'. A dog off leash in an otherwise empty park, should not incur a fine! Other cities have experimented with more lenient dog laws and lower registration costs while being harsher on repeat offenders. The results show more compliance overall.        |   |    |   |
| 21-May-14 | Public electric car pools: rent out electric cars, cheaper than purchasing a hybrid, better for the environment.***<br>Tapping into more alternative energy: turbines, solar instead of relying on gas/fuel.***<br>Developed at a May 14 workshop with members of the Park Board Youth Council              |   |   |  |
| 21-May-14 | Hold a cultural festival, exhibition or fair to connect people to their homelands and to other people's local traditions to encourage cultural integration.***<br>Developed at a May 14 workshop by members of the Park Board Youth Council   |  |  |  |
| 21-May-14 | Reduce waste and encourage recycling around the city: reward communities which reach a set recycling goal to encourage recycling.***<br>Developed at a May 14 workshop by members of the Park Board Youth Council   |   |   |   |
| 21-May-14 | Employment and education: skills training.***<br>Schools and companies should help students get training and knowledge for employment--connecting between schools and businesses to help students with their future career.***<br>Developed at a May 14 workshop by members of the Park Board Youth Council |  |   |  |
| 22-May-14 | Increase the amount of bike racks on ever street. Toronto and Portland have shown a cost effective way of doing this without blocking parked car doors.   |   |  |  |

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22-May-14 Bike Centers: A one stop shop for bike lock-up, repairs, changing rooms with showers. Possible locations: Waterfront station, business district, near Broadway and Commercial, and at UBC. Put them where cyclists arrive and depart. Charge for storage, allow compass card payment, find sponsors.



22-May-14 Neighbourhood Waste Reduction Challenge: Track the garbage collection generally to find which neighbourhoods are reducing and diverting to recycling and compost the most. Use letter grades. People take pride in their neighbourhoods. I would be so bold as to provide incentives through funding or tax.

22-May-14 Local Energy Production Program: Provide incentives to home owners and building owners to install Photovoltaic panels (solar). Even though it is cloudy a lot of the year, during the summer, the solar panels could offset the peak demand for electricity.



22-May-14 Local Hydro-electricity Invention Prize: With increasing energy in the atmosphere, there is going to be more intense rain events. With all the rain and flat rooms in Vancouver, it is a waste not to harness that energy during the wet season. We need to spotlight this opportunity.

22-May-14 Give seniors in a neighbourhood a mobile play kit that they will make available for local children and supervise its use. Parents will feel comfortable allowing their children to go play, social connections will develop, and seniors and children will have more opportunities for physical activity.

22-May-14 All City of Vancouver and Parks, Recreation, and Culture Staff should complete training on children's rights.



22-May-14 The City of Vancouver should hold an annual celebration in honour of National Child Day (November 20th).

22-May-14 Have art by children displayed in public places around the city.

22-May-14 Display street banners to inform the public about children's rights. The banners could incorporate children's artwork and information about the various articles of the United Nation Convention on the Rights of the Child. This could be done in conjunction with National Child Day (November 20th).



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22-May-14	Goal 10: Expressing Ourselves. Fences and broad concrete structures can become interesting places to walk by and to learn about artists, street artists, and non-artists in your neighbourhood. A neighbourhood arts & culture committee would be formed to jury, curate, and monitor these spaces.	  
22-May-14	Incentivize social and tech entrepreneurs to come up with creative ways to use digital technology to build face-to-face connections in neighbourhoods, mobilize networks to help neighbours and strangers, keep one another safe, etc.	
22-May-14	It's easier to meet strangers when there's reason and invitation to do so. Create a civic holiday around "Neighbourhood Day," or start campaigns urging people to get to know neighbours. I suspect that many of us just need a nudge, or excuse, to overcome our timidity/social risk around reaching out.	
22-May-14	Create a birthing centre where parents-to-be can get prenatal midwifery care, and have a comfortable, non-hospital place to have their babies. Ensure that this service is well-linked with services for new parents to ensure parents are well-supported to care for their new babies.	 
22-May-14	Revitalize laneways by turning them into green spaces, community gardens, and play areas. This will increase opportunities for people to connect, have better food security, and encourage active play.	 
22-May-14	Address safety issues on Granville street on weekends by restricting liquor licenses in this area and distributing them throughout Vancouver. Encourage mixed use of this area on weekend evenings to ensure it is a safe and useable area for all Vancouver residents.	 
23-May-14	Lets close down and convert under-utilized streets into community gathering space! We could determine which streets are most suitable for closure by measuring the traffic data taken from specific potential pilot streets.	 
23-May-14	Create a birthing centre where parents-to-be can get prenatal midwifery care, and have a comfortable, non-hospital place to have their babies. Ensure that this service is well-linked with services for new parents to ensure parents are well-supported to care for their new babies.	 
23-May-14	More community homes/welcome homes""*Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	 

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23-May-14	Create more jobs accessible for youth all year long***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Have assigned family doctors***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Evaluate family mental health problems***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	More food banks with food deliveries to homes that need them***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Have a college education plan for babies from low income families***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	More parks/mountain trails***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Increase public art***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Outdoor concerts, activities, festivals and carnivals***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Have learning sessions throughout the city for different age groups***Developed by Nana Santos at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Make more recycling bins and distribute all over the city***Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Education for adults that includes workshops***Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			
23-May-14	Improve schools to avoid bullying***Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre			

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23-May-14	Start a hugging campaign""*Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	
23-May-14	Give homeless people a job so they get money and they can have their own houses""*Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	 
23-May-14	Better health care and diagnostic procedures""*Developed by Carlos Manuel Mendez and group at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	
23-May-14	More education opportunities for newcomer adults at community centres. Many newcomers are professionals in their home country and can't work in Canada in their field of expertise.""*Developed by Marta Mora at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	   
23-May-14	All-in-one service mobile clinics to bring health services into the community. Doctors such as pediatricians, dentists, eye doctors, etc. will provide free consultations to the community. ""*Developed by Marta Mora at a May 15th meeting of Latin American youth at Britannia Community Centre	
23-May-14	Many people in Vancouver struggle to find and maintain employment because they face multiple barriers to employment. Support businesses to effectively employ these people using best practices developed by social enterprises. And adopt more inclusive hiring and support practices for your employees.	  
23-May-14	Vancouver is ripe with social and technological innovation which can positively affect our environment, inclusion, human services, education, etc. Foster this activity as it grows locally with space/land, funding, promotion, and procurement.	
23-May-14	Active Public Spaces Program - a local community initiative to humanize and beautify space. Residents and businesses working together, but implemented with assistance from a City-developed toolkit. ""*Developed by Eva Wadolna and group at our Ideas Lab at VPL Central Branch on May 10th	  
23-May-14	Use our community centres and neighbourhood houses as hubs for people to connect. Collaborate with organizations, service providers, local social entrepreneurs, other equitable groups to bring greater social connections to neighbourhoods. "	 
23-May-14	Hire a Public Space coordinator for the city!	 

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| 23-May-14 | More public events like bike the blossoms, get creative ideas to get people outdoors and to meet each other! Hold events that use technology in a way that would engage children and youth outdoors- scavenger hunts. Art events for kids, youth, families, all. More music in parks! public space coor!     |    |  |  |    |
| 23-May-14 | BASIC Low cost Building and Streets Interaction Community Centres (B.A.S.I.C)-in large high rise buildings and on the residential streets where people can socially interact. Please read idea, first for Streets , in short comment below..   |   |  |   |    |
| 23-May-14 | BASIC social interactive space, within larger buildings, where people naturally cross paths in commons or amenity room on way from front entrance or from underground parking. Design common areas/amenity spaces co-joined with lobby and mail box area. Allow LEED type credits for social goals attained. |   |  |   |   |
| 26-May-14 | THE IMAGINATION ZONE: A 250m zone for Real World Experiments and Reversible Trials. This public space would support the trial & learning needed to create a healthy city for all, including experiments, demonstrations and pilot projects on the ground for collaborative city building and innovation.     |   |  |  |    |
| 26-May-14 | #END HOMELESSNESS by 2015  |  |   |   |   |
| 26-May-14 | END HOMELESSNESS - LET THE HOMELESS SET UP TENT CITIES IN GREEN SPACES. ( STRONG SUGGESTION: MOUNTAIN SIDE - WEST VAN, NORTH VAN OR TOWARD INDIAN ARM)   |  |   |   |   |
| 27-May-14 | Get rid of the ridiculous 30km/hr zone on Hastings and replace it with a centre barrier that prevents crossing outside crosswalks.   |   |   |   |  |
| 27-May-14 | Instead of all the focus on additional bike paths where none are needed or wanted, what would really change things would be bus lanes and pull-outs so that buses stopping at and pulling out of the many bus stops that are right on corners aren't holding up all the rest of the traffic.                 |   |   |   |  |
| 28-May-14 | Enforce fence bylaw. Over height fences are unattractive and not neighbourly. A healthy city is a city that feels connected to the community. The bylaw is there for a reason the solution is simple enforce it.   |   |   |   |   |
| 28-May-14 | Allow well-behaved, leashed dogs on SkyTrain, buses, and SeaBus. Letting owners use transit for vet trips, exercising their dogs and general travel would reduce the need for many to own a car or to drive.   |   |   |   |  |

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28-May-14	Allow restaurants and cafes to make their own rules about whether to allow leashed, well-behaved dogs inside their establishments, as is the case in many European cities.		
28-May-14	Enact a law preventing landlords from banning dogs in rental properties, as currently exists in many cities in Canada.		
28-May-14	An guided tour for Chinatown-Discovery History of Vancouver's Chinese immigrants could cultivating opportunity for connections, active living/getting outside and lifelong learning."- Chinese community Idea Lab on May 26, 2014 at Canadian Mental Health Association Vancouver-Burnaby Branch		
28-May-14	Form an independent group to advocate the need to expand dental and mental health care within MSP for general public."- Chinese community Idea Lab on May 26, 2014 at Canadian Mental Health Association Vancouver-Burnaby Branch		
28-May-14	Form a special group for parents to increase community participation with the whole family as a good start, expressing ourselves, cultivating connections, active living and getting outsides."- Chinese community Idea Lab on May 26, 2014 at Canadian Mental Health Association Vancouver-Burnaby Branch		 
30-May-14	Recognize the amazing contribution of Vancouver's volunteers annually, promoting positive stories of citizen engagement, peer support, and community building. Utilize a central database so an individual's contributions can be tracked regardless of to whom/where in Vancouver they give their time.		
01-Jun-14	Create a secondary mobility network for non-motorized vehicles and pedestrians by closing one street in each arterial grid of about ten. This space can be transformed into a greener smarter network that coexists with the original grid but functions separately save emergency access and intersections.		 
02-Jun-14	Let's make higher education learning environments and experiences that foster social connection and engagement. It's not only what you learn but how you learn <a href="http://www.sfu.ca/healthycampuscommunity/learningenvironments">http://www.sfu.ca/healthycampuscommunity/learningenvironments</a>		 
04-Jun-14	Work with Translink to install garbage cans at every bus stop. Garbage cans on every city block, including residential areas		

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06-Jun-14	Have seasonal off leash areas extended around Trout Lake from October 1 and March 31 when pedestrian traffic is low and wildlife nesting areas are not affected. The south beach and playground areas should still remain off limits.	
06-Jun-14	These ideas were brainstormed by Multicultural Women Support Group @South Vancouver Neighbourhood House on May 30, 2014. "A home for everyone:" Condominium builders should collaborate with the city to allocate a certain percentage of housing units for low income individuals or families	
06-Jun-14	on May 30, 2014. "Making ends meet and working well: " - The city should monitor more closely about Employers tend to hire temporary foreign workers over citizens and permanent residents and enforce a strict penalty." - New immigrants should have employment quotas so challenges cud b addressed."	
06-Jun-14	on May 30, 2014. "Feeding ourselves well"-Utilize a space on the roof top of residential buildings to create a unban farming space that residents could grow their own veggies and fruits!"	 
06-Jun-14	on May 30, 2014. "The city should collaborate with ethnic media groups in linking ethnic groups with community participation where newcomers reach their full potential to thrive"and contribute to their local neighbourhood,"	
06-Jun-14	Incorporating outdoor experiences into early, elementary, and high school education will help to keep children active and has educational elements that nature has to offer throughout their lives. Learning institutions should include a mandatory outdoor component as part of the learning experience.	
06-Jun-14	Designing a workshop for parents to help them educate their children of how to decide whether or not a person is safe to approach. Also to encourage that choosing to meet new people is not black and white, there are grey areas depending on the situation; supported through schooling units.	
06-Jun-14	Making healthy food cheaper and more easily accessible could be done by encouraging the community to be involved and promoting more healthy eating programs. The greater the awareness of healthy benefits and how to participate the greater the chance people will be willing to take action.	
06-Jun-14	Developing a transit pass that is less costly or a transit system that removes the various zones throughout the lowermainland could make transportation more effective, safe, and reliable.	

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07-Jun-14	Add/expand/improve off leash parks. Model on successful parks like Fraser River and Trout Lake - space to move, exercise, socialize. Expand to whole park in winter; dogs and owners are the only ones there in cold and rain! Decent sized off leash parks are part of a healthy community and city!		
10-Jun-14	Victoria Drive between Broadway and Adanac has a lot of bicycle and vehicle traffic. A white, right hand side, road line would greatly help drivers to share the road by visually marking the side of the lane so they can see if they have enough room to safely pass a cyclist.		
10-Jun-14	More shops like Quest around Vancouver		
10-Jun-14	More community gardens and utilize produce from these gardens to establish fruit and veggie basket programs. \$3.00 for one basket of produce locally grown.		
10-Jun-14	Encourage people to play outside, in parks by providing free games for people to borrow. For example: Chess board games, bocce ball sets. These games can be lent out at community centres to use at local parks. ""Developed by Cody at a June 2nd meeting with P2P.		 
10-Jun-14	Low barrier employment opportunities for people who find it challenging to seek full time employment. City to sponsor jobs & partner with local businesses: landscaping (Green Streets), graffiti clean up (Clean Streets), street clean up (KVS). ""Developed by Cody at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	We should all take a more active role in sharing our experiences to help others out and connecting through word of mouth and face to face interactions. ""Phone access to information, computers are not the only way to share info and to communicate. ""Developed by Cody at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Make it more accessible to cycle by providing bicycles for free at strategic locations around the city. Everyone should have access to a bike in Vancouver. ""Developed by Cody at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		 
10-Jun-14	A 24 hour drop in shelter that is low barrier, low threshold where people with addictions and/or mental illness or people who are at risk can take a shower, rest, and nourish their bodies with healthy food. ""Developed by Ron at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Legalize street markets. Provide a space (not just outside markets) for people to sell/ trade/ barter. ""Developed by Ron at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		

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10-Jun-14	More accessible programs for people who are marginalized so they feel more connected to the community. A good example is the Peer 2 Peer program - work, honorarium and support group, giving back to the community, healthy interactions with people." "Developed by Ron at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Create more urban forest trails." "Developed by Norm at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Hand out free passes at community centres during certain hours so people have access to showers." "Developed by Norm at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Establish more programs like Peer 2 Peer focussing on job ready programs - clean up crews, recycling ambassadors, landscaping. " "Developed by Norm at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Less walk in centres; more community health centres focussing on holistic health care - multi-disciplinary" "Developed by Moe at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Legalize drugs, e.g. Western Europe. Establish doctor - patient appointments. Legalizing drugs lowers crime rates and eliminates organized crime. " "Developed by Moe at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Create more natural habitats so animals can thrive in our city. Blue jays, squirrels, bat caves, rabbits, ect." "Developed by Moe at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	More off leash space for dogs in all parks!" "Developed by Laura at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	More harm reduction programs - 80% drop in HIV. Need more than one INSITE program.		
10-Jun-14	Improve on welfare system and services. Bring the welfare workers support back. Currently it is difficult to access information and to talk to a real person." "Developed by Laura at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		
10-Jun-14	Better access to government services and better way of educating people about services available. Encourage more face to face interactions, NOT online. Encourage NGO's to take an active role in advocacy." "Developed by Laura at a June 2nd meeting with P2P		

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| 10-Jun-14 | Mass media coverage with 30 seconds video clip or android app for the public, for creating sense of being and feeling included yet contributing back to the city through the campaign. Young adult at work or youth at high school who are good in social media could help branch out the campaign better.                                  |    |    |   |
| 10-Jun-14 | Ethnic group and new comers could be sustained through seriously outreach program strategy, regardless of their social economic status, cultural background, age range, abilities, etc. e.g. Neighbourhood watch for community development through social media and beyond.   |   |    |   |
| 10-Jun-14 | Meaningfulness in life would be the major pillar in life for creating the environment to thrive, lifelong learning, community development."   |    |   |   |
| 11-Jun-14 | Follow the lead of the State of Illinois an declare Vancouver a micro-bead free zone and work towards limiting the sale or manufacture of microbead containing products in Vancouver. article: <a href="http://shar.es/PJIQR">http://shar.es/PJIQR</a> "Limit amount of plastic that makes it into natural environment, fish, birds etc..." |   |   |    |
| 11-Jun-14 | Expand continuity and network of linear parkways beyond seawall into the heart of the city with wider sidewalks, pedestrian boulevards and bulge intersection treatments. Our most used park facilities are linear spaces such as the seawall.  |   |   |   |
| 13-Jun-14 | More off-leash dog parks, please! Dog ownership has proven health benefits, physical as well as emotional. Off-leash parks are public, highly social spaces where people have the opportunity to exercise their dogs responsibly and actually get out and meet their neighbours and reduce urban isolation.                                 |  |  |   |
| 13-Jun-14 | The Parks Board should be urged to implement the Off-leash Guidelines they approved on July 23, 2012, guidelines which will encourage park use by more dog owners and reduce conflicts with non-dog owners. Let's promote harmony in the city!  |   |  |   |
| 13-Jun-14 | SPARC BC Parking Permit Program needs to work with City of Vancouver to implement new strategy to regulate & enforces parking for people with disabilities (parks, malls, Safeway, & other public spaces). People with no parking permit deliberately park in the designated disability parking stalls.                                     |   |   |  |

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18-Jun-14	More affordable transportation: extended time for bus tickets (at least 30 mins more), free bus pass for new immigrants for 3 months, bring back 2-for-1 fares on weekend/holidays, lower cost of bus fares""*Developed by the English Conversation Group at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House on June 11			
18-Jun-14	Universal health care for everybody. Health care should be available in all the languages of the immigrants. More family doctors, more walk-in clinics, association of doctors.""*Developed by the English Conversation Group at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House on June 11			
18-Jun-14	Make Vancouver a Sanctuary City.""*Developed by the English Conversation Group at Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House on June 11			
18-Jun-14	More policing in the community. Make sure that it is useful so everyone is safe and included. More block watch, more policing volunteers, more jobs less illegal.""*Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program		 	
18-Jun-14	Multicultural shows with food booths, talent shows and free performances. Tickets are by donation, and donations are donated to countries in need so everyone can join. ""*Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program			
18-Jun-14	Awareness programs tor improve connections between local residents and newcomers. Who: community, youth leaders facilitating for all ages, everyone. How: youth need to have support from the government and the school board.""*Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program		 	
18-Jun-14	Inclusive spaces for children, adults, and seniors to make everyone feel included and for everyone to have fun."1. sponsor a community feast where everyone can interact"2. build more community centres"3. start funding for outside games""*Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program		 	
18-Jun-14	Poverty reduction by income; increase of wage to \$15.25 by 2025. ""Who: companies - provide more training for employees to increase skills and experience; part-timers; non-degree workers; gov't - job opportunities, advertising, training""*Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program			

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18-Jun-14	City-wide bike rental program." 1. fundraiser program (Sun Run + city activities) 2. taxes 3. adults pay a fee 4. City pays 60%, adults pay 40% 5. students and senior citizens are free 6. bike tutorials (counted as volunteer experience) *Developed by youth in VSB's Engaged Immigrant Youth Program	
18-Jun-14	Create a Young Women's Healing Centre - holistic healing and health services in a safe space (in a house, rather than an institutional setting) using traditional medicines, cultural teachings, ceremony. Inclusive to ALL young women. *Developed at our Aboriginal Community Forum Ideas Lab on June 10	
18-Jun-14	More Aboriginal content within the school system. Having our own people writing books about our historical past and enrichment of culture. *Developed by participants at the Aboriginal Community Forum Ideas Lab on June 10	
18-Jun-14	Place-based Neighbourhood Strategy to include and connect everyone in a community. An engagement plan to reach place-based goals. Train potential board members. *Developed by participants at the Aboriginal Community Forum Ideas Lab on June 10	
18-Jun-14	House of Reconciliation - sacred space and ceremony, memorialize missing and murdered women, cross-cultural training for VPD and City staff. Could be in the old police station at Main and Hastings. *Developed by participants at the Aboriginal Community Forum Ideas Lab on June 10	
18-Jun-14	Cross-cultural training should be implemented especially for VPD but also with all City staff. Training would include police officers, Indigenous women who are or have been sex workers and family of sex workers. *Developed by participants at the Aboriginal Community Forum Ideas Lab on June 10	
18-Jun-14	A city where food is offered at low costs (tax-free) or for free, where and when available, for citizens that need it. *Developed by Renfrew-Collingwood youth at the Renfrew Park Community Centre's Friday Youth Night	
18-Jun-14	A holiday where citizens from around the city share a feast with one another to build social connections. Engage with food security network and food redistribution organizations to start the conversation. *Developed by Renfrew-Collingwood youth at Renfrew Park Community Centre's Friday Youth Night	

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18-Jun-14	Affordable locally-grown food by increasing backyard gardens and implementing a model by donating a portion of their harvest to organizations, local school groups, etc."*Developed by Renfrew-Collingwood youth at Renfrew Park Community Centre's Friday Youth Night		
18-Jun-14	Advocacy work that promotes healthy and sufficient food, while protecting the environment and our food resources (ie. ban shark fin soup)."*Developed by Renfrew-Collingwood youth at Renfrew Park Community Centre's Friday Youth Night		
19-Jun-14	Convert boulevards into gardens and establish more laneway activations like Mole Hill."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	convert underused park space to community gardens to increase community connections, physical activity and fresh food supply."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	Let's all take the initiative to plan low cost physical activity in our neighbourhoods! Plan a soccer tournament - call it the "People's Cup", softball games, walking groups, snow shoeing in the winter, tennis tourneys, running clubs."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	We need more workshops led by community members on sharing community resources! Tips and tricks on human services, access to food, health care, civic city - good manners, how to vote, ect."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Will)		
19-Jun-14	Bring health care into the community - doctors and/or health practitioners, nurses at Farmers Markets, the malls - community doctor booth		
19-Jun-14	Take personal action by helping others to find health care/ doctor and help people be more comfortable going to the doctors office by sharing stories and experiences."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Mark)		
19-Jun-14	Every neighbourhood in the city to host a small scale Stone Soup party. Encourage neighbours to share their skills and stories."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	The Power of Five - education, promotion, sponsor groups, people taking action, reaching out when we are in a time of need."*Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Damian)		

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19-Jun-14	Designate a volunteer neighbourhood "grandma" or "grandpa" to foster connections." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	More "connect" events - e.g. Under One Umbrella Connect Event - day of connection, service providers, place to meet friends and for families to gather, food, fun. Each neighbourhood host a themed event (education, health, food, ect.) " "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	THE BUDDY BUS - bus that is a hub of activity! The bus makes stops at different neighbourhoods in parks at public spaces around Vancouver - dance lessons, live music, juggling, outdoor games. Engage people to interact and play!" "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Damian)		 
19-Jun-14	Promote on-line voting to get youth and the general public who are too busy to go to a place to fill a physical ballot." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	the City to relax FSR or density requirements for common amenity areas so people can have a space to meet." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Annie)		
19-Jun-14	Elections outreach idea: Farmers markets and public markets" "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Mark)		
19-Jun-14	Be creative! Create a neighbourhood art project to bring people together." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society		
19-Jun-14	Offer honorarium/ food vouchers/ gift certificates/ air miles to vote." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Laura)		
19-Jun-14	More neighbourhood block parties - for folks who live in apartments, roof top BBQ/ potluck building parties to connect with neighbours." "Developed by Under One Umbrella Society (Damian)		
21-Jun-14	Encourage using solar energy in public spaces (e.g. parks, streets, parkings, sidewalks) in general, and in housing sector in particular. Solar energy is easily accessible, and sustainable in order to make Vancouver a greener city.		 
24-Jun-14	To address the growing number of retiring doctors have more Nurse Practitioners and find a way to remove the barrier of ESL as being the reason immigrants new to Canada are unable to re-certify in the medical profession they were trained for. "Developed by Thunderbird CC Senior's		

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24-Jun-14	A Home for Everyone "Houses are sitting empty due to offshore investors. A new city policy could mandate a substantial increase in property tax to those that are not offered as rental housing. A tax break might encourage rentals. Set a limit of offshore sales."Developed by Thunderbird CC seniors		
24-Jun-14	Feeding Ourselves Well "Teach sustainability with home grown. More co-op farms, community, rooftop and mobile gardens. Schools could grow and sell produce."We want all children to have access to healthy meals at school. "Developed by Thunderbird Seniors		
24-Jun-14	Being and Feeling Safe"Increase awareness of access for all in local community centres which are seen as hubs of safety. Make community connections and get to know who lives in your neighbourhood. Community meetings should be multilingual. "Developed by Thunderbird Seniors		 
26-Jun-14	Investigate the ParentLink software to create a mobile online community around parents, their children, and teachers. This is particularly valuable for single parents and their children to ensure that teachers can help them meet their goals.		
26-Jun-14	Ensure that everyone has affordable access to the Internet through wireless devices on public transport. This is important for single parents because they have limited time. They can track their children's progress and perform other tasks to reduce the stress which increases health care costs.		
26-Jun-14	Ensure that all families have access to affordable, standardized child care facilities and allow them to monitor the care and, at their convenience, interact with and participate in activities through a standard camera/audio setup at scheduled times using standard mobile devices.		
26-Jun-14	Provide roles for retirees in child care. Many can contribute past retirement age, particularly if they have grandkids in the facility, and extra income helps. Use social networking software to allow them to engage parents, kids, and staff with appropriate safeguards.		
26-Jun-14	Tie into existing social networks (or create a new one) to crowdsource city maintenance issues. Residents can take GPS-tagged photos, perhaps with automated help, to point out potholes etc. Other residents can be asked to corroborate before a city inspector is sent. Transit tokens etc as rewards.		 

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26-Jun-14 Use social networking to create a Just-In-Time labour pool for worthwhile causes. If a charity event needs a little extra push they can ask the city to push a message to citizens to ask for help. This gets diminishing returns if it is abused, but it can increase the sense of involvement.

26-Jun-14 Enable a social enterprise to grow food on city maintained green spaces. Decrease the city's maintenance budget while increasing biodiversity and food grown in the city. Step #1: Map potential sites and request proposals from urban farming organizations.



26-Jun-14 Use child care centres to provide pooled, scheduled care in the evenings so that any cost can be spread across parents. This allows cameras, software, caregivers etc. to be used so that parents can interact with their kids and staff as needed. It may also help to reduce parent separation.



26-Jun-14 Use natural language processing to automatically categorize and summarize the ideas on this forum. UBC has some professors that specialize in this area who might be able to help if/when they or their students get time. Some ideas on this forum provide advantages in multiple categories.

28-Jun-14 A city will never solve the childcare crisis alone. Let's have local leaders, including CoV, VCH, VBOT, take on the role of advocating for \$10/day Child Care Plan with senior levels of government using their own spheres of influence to bring about change for children, women, families and our economy

30-Jun-14 Make it easy to access Leisure Access Card. Many tenants are not able to provide address proof as their landlord won't write them rental receipts; and many tenants don't have landline phone. They have cell phone only."Developed by Kiwassa Chinese New Immigrants

30-Jun-14 Include Annual Bus Stop Cleanup in Keep Vancouver Spectacular program. Bus stops are one of the worst areas that need to be cleaned up in the city. Ask for volunteers to sign up and City or community help to organize the event throughout the City of Vancouver."Developed by LMNH English Class

30-Jun-14 Organize Community Planting Event in Local Parks"City or community can provide trees/flowers and involve the public in planting them in different parks or green spaces in the city. In China, there is an Annual Tree Planting Festival on March 12."Developed by LMNH English Class ""



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30-Jun-14	"Arts on Arterials (Streets)"Each community in Vancouver will hold its own local art festival especially targeting to local community artists in schools or neighbourhoods. It is a free event so that art and cultural expression is provided in a fun and friendly way."Developed by LMNH English Class		
30-Jun-14	Open Gym in the Parks - Provide mobile truck by the parks to encourage youth and seniors to exercise with assistance and incentives. The truck offers facilities such as barbells, dumb bells, stationary bikes etc."Developed by LMNH English Class		
30-Jun-14	Provide opportunities for newcomers to become volunteers for the City. Volunteer opportunities can be posted on City's website and in Community Centres."City or community can take the lead to organize for volunteers to sign up and receive training"Developed by LMNH English Class		
30-Jun-14	Newcomers Run Program Grant"Provide a grant under \$1,000 for partnering organizations like neighbourhood houses, churches or residents groups to organize a newcomers run program."This is a good way for newcomers to take initiative connecting with neighbours." in Developed by LMNH English Class		
30-Jun-14	Promote funds for programming in helping seniors to manage health issues in preventative ways. Provide funds to non-profitable organizations such as MOSAIC or SUCCESS for such programs. Free space can be provided by Community Centres/designated areas in the park. "Developed by LMNH English Class		
30-Jun-14	Promote collaboration between government and community to secure seniors housing with pre-occupancy deposit. Dedicate land and have potential developer to work on joint seniors project and subsidize with regular fundraising events. "Developed by MPNH Mandarin Seniors		
30-Jun-14	Have more local community health clinics in Vancouver with language assistance."Developed by MPNH Mandarin Seniors		
30-Jun-14	Create neighbourhood facility grant for regular upgrade of system support" This grant could be applied by a group of residents or group users especially for seniors" Money will be managed by organizations like neighbourhood houses."Developed by MPNH Mandarin Seniors"		
30-Jun-14	Extend health services to Seniors - The gaps are in services for dental, ears, and eyes (eye glasses)"Renfrew Chinese Seniors		

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30-Jun-14	Include seniors in the housing affordability strategy."Various housing types especially for independent seniors and for seniors who need assisted living services. Connection will be enhanced when seniors live closely to each other."Developed by Renfrew Chinese Seniors"	  
30-Jun-14	Open all local parks for farmers" market."Allow more ethnicity in the mix of farmers including local neighbours to participate for exchange of produce and sale. Information must be available in Chinese."Information to grow vegetables available at the market."Developed by Renfrew Chinese Seniors	
30-Jun-14	Grow the sense of belonging by learning English."Provide free English classes to immigrants.City is to take initiative in cooperating with non-profit organizations to increase opportunities of learning English."Developed by Renfrew Chinese Seniors	 
30-Jun-14	Increase opportunities for outdoor activities"Must consult neighbours when implementing facilities at local parks. Shelters and exercise facilities are much needed"Developed by Renfrew Chinese seniors	
30-Jun-14	Create job centres aiming to provide and integrate a transitional space for the unemployed in one"s neighbourhood. It serves as a social enterprise to organize small order jobs from local factories. New immigrants, businesses, and City should be involved."Developed by Taiwanese Tai Chi Group	  
30-Jun-14	Reach out to organizations/businesses who own open spaces and ask whether they like to offer to neighbours for adoption. Compile a list of open spaces with help from the community. Ensure residents are aware of the opportunities and it is also in Chinese."Developed by Taiwanese Tai Chi Group	
02-Jul-14	Improve education system and support for learning disabled, particularly Native children with FAE/ FAS by developing non-conventional types of teaching systems. Recognize children have different types of learning. "Developed by PACE Society	 
02-Jul-14	Free or better funded education programs for all ages. The better the education, the better the standard of living for all."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	More programs to encourage younger generations to turn off TV, computers and video games. Provide grants to non-profits who serve at risk population to offer free outdoor programs to Capilano Bridge, camping, ect. for all ages."Developed by PACE Society	

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02-Jul-14	Increase space in parks to allow pets in parks. More stringent laws for people who don't pick up after their pets."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Improve or change laws for violence against people. Tighter gun laws!"Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Stop the revolving door of criminals in the system. Criminals sent to jail, then released to half-way-house, then back to jail after committing crime. Stricter consequences for offenders on parole. Improve monitoring of high risk offenders."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	For some reason, trust is an issue when making connections - perhaps start early, at a young age to educate or mentor positive social behaviour to work on a healthier social structure that is inclusive and open to making connections."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Provide incentive to vote: everyone who votes gets \$5"Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Political parties need to pay more attention to women's issues. There's a general perception that their voices are not heard, therefore why vote."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Start teaching young generation about consequences of will happen if bad choices are made or even exposure of what it's like to be poor. Bring awareness of poverty to young children so they don't make end up in this situation."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Recognize it's not easy to own a home, especially for people who move from a rural community and have lived in tee-pees, cabins, ect. "Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Supportive Housing: Need better transition services for folks who were living in the streets to living in a supportive housing unit. Issues: hoarding, parting with cart possessions, life skills training (basic and job ready). COUNSELLING in supportive housing is KEY."Developed by PACE Society	   
02-Jul-14	Food delivery truck for people who are home bound: elders, people who have reading challenges, people who have physical disabilities - charge them \$1 a bag. Similar model to meals on wheels."Developed by PACE Society	
02-Jul-14	Community gardens in the city are full and it's difficult to get into! More roof top gardens and on parking lots." Developed by PACE Society	

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02-Jul-14	Raise welfare rates NOT rent rates. Currently many people on welfare are spending more than half their cheque on rent. Rent control so people can spend money to purchase groceries for the month."Developed by PACE Society		
02-Jul-14	Need more doctors who are or who have experience in Native Health. It doesn't make sense to have non-Native doctors in Native Clinics. Promote Aboriginal doctors to care for Aboriginal people."Developed by PACE Society		
02-Jul-14	Change the traditional teachings of doctors to be more open about drug use. Learn from the people who use marijuana for medicinal purposes - what it's like to live a life of trauma, how marijuana reduces the urge to use harder drugs."Developed by PACE Society		
02-Jul-14	Doctors to make home visits - bring back out calls."Developed by PACE Society		
02-Jul-14	All level of governments need to take a more proactive step protecting sex workers. "Developed by PACE Society		
24-Jul-14	Where possible encourage people to work from home and employers to allow them to. This would reduce air pollution, traffic congestion, road rage, fatalities, insurance premiums, strengthen communities, save natural resources, help parents with school aged children, improve meal planning etc etc.		
29-Jul-14	Join and actively participate in Vibrant Communities, a national coalition of Cities working on poverty reduction strategies. Work with all levels of government to share information, identify partnerships & to advocate for funding for programs & resources""* Developed at Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Put resources into helping community organizations and residents tell the stories of positive impact and make the social return on investment case for preventative community social services ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Fund neighbourhood liaison positions within community service organizations such as Neighbourhood Houses, starting in lower income, diverse neighbourhoods. ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		 
29-Jul-14	Assess our current situation: Identify what affordable and healthy / appropriate housing means for different resident groups across the socio-economic spectrum, and get community agreement. ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		

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29-Jul-14	Ensure rental housing for lower income residents, at rates such as 30% of income, or the shelter allowance portion of income assistance.*** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Expand and further publicize the Vancouver Rent Bank.*** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Develop a City housing authority, with the capacity and resources to build affordable housing stock to ensure residents can stay in their communities. Learn from other major cities on their approaches to this. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Empower residents and groups to advocate with other levels of government for affordable housing, through sharing information and education on the complex systems and issues around housing. Create a Housing Advocate. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Support reconciliation processes for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal residents; ensure Vancouver remains affordable and accessible to Aboriginal residents*** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Keep supporting community organizations offering free parenting programs & help families know what is available through increased development of resource directories, include city and non-city programs and services; available offline & in different languages**Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		  
29-Jul-14	Ensure healthy nutritious food is available to all children, for a healthy start. Prioritize poverty reduction, affordable housing and sustainable food security for all*** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		 
29-Jul-14	Continue to support childcare services through capital and operating grants. Advocate for affordable childcare. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		 
29-Jul-14	Prioritize support for healthy, just and sustainable food security for lower income families and individuals. Support innovation in the redistribution of healthy food, i.e. food rescue initiatives from food producers. ** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		
29-Jul-14	Provide more outreach and supports to youth at risk as priority. Advocate for continuation of community health clinics. Provide more programming for prevention of early pregnancy**Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House		 

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29-Jul-14	Support community service agencies such as NHs with neighbourhood liaison positions** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Advocate for affordable childcare, and continue to provide support to childcare services. ** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Encourage partnerships between secondary schools & vocational/trades companies &/or relevant City departments to provide some orientation & job shadowing for students while still in high school** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Encourage more community exchanges that reduce need for spending money, i.e. babysitting exchanges, tool exchanges, bike shares. Provide resources for community development / coordination of exchanges in local neighbourhoods. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Support and extend neighbourhood based community programs and initiatives whereby residents get to know others in their neighbourhood. This need will grow as Vancouver's population grows. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Continue to support community arts programming, neighbourhood houses, community centres, community gatherings. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Find more places that residents can gather in, particularly in neighbourhoods with few parks and coffee shops. *** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Create weekly community meals programs in more neighbourhoods; this could be coordinated through NHs or other agencies, or by recruiting, training and coordinating local volunteers to organize weekly potlucks in their homes for their neighbours. ** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Free fun recreational sport leaders provide opportunities to engage residents of all ages in activities outside; provide outdoor activities similar to those offered within community centres. ** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				
29-Jul-14	Support the walkability of priority City neighbourhoods, especially those with larger portions of low income residents or those older or in poorer health, by adding benches and pleasant seating areas along residential and main streets. ** Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House				

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29-Jul-14	Develop bike share programs, promote them widely and make them accessible for low income residents. ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House			
29-Jul-14	Subsidize transit for those unable to afford transit fares; provide some buses for free within city. (many low income people cannot afford buses to get to needed resources and appointments). ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House			
29-Jul-14	Create new green spaces in relation to density; particularly in areas with lower than average green spaces; ensure these green spaces are of sufficient size for healthy appropriate community use. ""* Developed by Kiwassa Neighbourhood House			
29-Jul-14	Add attractive, creative benches and sitting areas in areas with limited gathering spaces, along walking routes. Encourage the community to help create the spaces.""* Developed at Kiwassa Neighbourhood House			 
29-Jul-14	Increase safety through multiple mechanisms (see comments)""* Developed at Trout Lake CC			
29-Jul-14	Free workshops for arts (generally) in community centres/schools.""* Developed at Trout Lake CC			 
29-Jul-14	Encourage your children to join/play sports and join sports clubs at a young age.""* Developed at Trout Lake CC			
29-Jul-14	Educating others about all of the perspective and P.O.V. of BULLYING. Listing positives and negatives. Understanding why it happens. Outcomes of bullying.""* Developed in Trout Lake CC			
29-Jul-14	Encourage horse riding in the city to enable people to get around; discourage driving and promote active living.""* Developed at Coal Harbour CC			
29-Jul-14	Reduce taxes so families bring home more money.""* Developed at Coal Harbour CC			
29-Jul-14	More local indoor play facilities so that children from a young age learn to develop social skills, get active and learn about problem solving.""* Developed at Coal Harbour CC			
29-Jul-14	Increase the number of public festival that encourage people to get active, get outside, get involved in their community and get to know their neighbours.""* Developed at Coal Harbour CC			
29-Jul-14	"Be one with the ONE CARD." A sense of belonging and identity with the users of community centres. ""* Developed at Creekside & Mt. Pleasant CC			

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29-Jul-14	Work together and understand each other."** Developed at Douglas Park CC	
29-Jul-14	Encourage lifelong learning by setting up more youth-led conventions, such as TED talks. This will inspire youth to pursue topics of interest throughout the course of their life, and allow them to appreciate the importance of sharing knowledge with the community."* Developed at Dunbar CC	
29-Jul-14	Newcomer Fair""* Developed at Dunbar CC	 
29-Jul-14	Encourage stores to put healthy foods by the check out aisle instead of junk food (discourages unhealthy eating) > less impulse buying of unhealthy foods."* Developed at Dunbar CC	
29-Jul-14	"Entrepreneur fair hosed by teens" - Teens concoct artwork or items to sell at a fair. People in Lower Mainland buy them. All proceeds go towards money for housing. 1) Solves homelessness. 2) Appreciation for art 3) Teen opportunities"* Developed at Dunbar CC	 
29-Jul-14	Celebration of Arts & Culture:"Street festivals. Culture days. Free art workshops. New art gallery. Advertising campaign. Public performances. Community showcases."** Developed at Dunbar CC	
29-Jul-14	Say "hi" to your neighbour - people tend to feel isolated in apartments and condo's and more people are living in them. Start in a small individual way and encourage the friendliness to expand from next door to next floor neighbours."* Developed at False Creek Community Centre	
29-Jul-14	Healthy Eating: make healthy food cheaper, easily accessible."** Developed at Killarney CC	
29-Jul-14	Work a mandatory aspect of childcare and education as having an outdoor component. Starting from early childhood education through elementary and high school."* Developed at Killarney CC	
29-Jul-14	STRANGER NO DANGER: workshops for parents to educate their children on safe interactions with strangers."* Developed at Killarney CC	
29-Jul-14	Make transportation more safe and reliable."** Developed at Killarney CC	
29-Jul-14	More job opportunities for everyone, including new immigrants and people of varying skills level: "* Developed at Marpole-Oakridge CC	

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29-Jul-14	In an ideal community, there should be a place where everyone can come together to share their thoughts, beliefs, culture, practice, etc. with each other and learn about each other."*Developed at Marpole-Oakridge CC	 
29-Jul-14	More activities for youth to take part in and feel accepted in the Vancouver community whether their rich or poor. Example - art shows, clubs, concerts, festivals, dance clubs, restaurants that are in youth (14 - 17) price limit."* Developed at Mt. Pleasant CC	
29-Jul-14	More exclusive walk, bike and skateboard lanes."** Developed at Mt. Pleasant CC	 
29-Jul-14	Let immigrants retrain/test to practice what they were trained to do. They need to not rely on welfare. They need a way to re-certify for their skills. ESL makes it possible to take the test to re-qualify. Better access."* Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	Bright lights - light pollution. More police presence. Community watch programs/HSCPC. Community connections/awareness. Feeling safe - get to know your neighbour. Multi-language - translation - community meetings. Address language barriers."*Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	Habitat for humanity style. Building from recycled tear downs. You help the organization - build, clean, food, to get credit towards housing/purchasing. Communal support..each one gets it in the end. ** Developed at Thunderbird CC	 
29-Jul-14	Address off-shore property owners, higher percentage of taxation if you don't live here - discounted if you rent out your unit. Limited number (maybe 5%) allowed for off-shore sales."* Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	Co-op housing to own. Can rent out co-op housing. Just building extra units isn't going to help us afford them. ** Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	Co-op farms. More community gardens. Rooftop gardens. Mobile temporary gardens. Commercial for healthy eating. Community centres/schools > growing produce and selling it. Teaching sustainability with homegrown."* Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	A Home for Everyone: "The Habitat" or "Humanity Hotel" model, but on a government level"* Developed at Thunderbird CC	
29-Jul-14	Create a grocery store where more employees are volunteers and get "paid" with food. Many immigrants have good education like doctors and nurses - give them an essay exam."* Developed at Thunderbird CC	

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29-Jul-14	Nutrition food access to all through "no waste" programs beyond food banks. Accessibility to health information for foods as remedies for ailments."* Developed at Thunderbird CC			
29-Jul-14	Individually use less power (electric gas?) and support political people who fight for eliminating more gas and oil lines, shipment of fossil fuels by rail, truck and driving when there is other means of transportation."* Developed at Thunderbird CC			
29-Jul-14	Trying to make neighbourhood safe. Keep neighbourhood safe."* Developed at Thunderbird CC			
29-Jul-14	A city where food is offered at low costs (tax free) or for free, where and when available, for citizens that require access to food "* Developed at Renfrew Park CC, Youth Night (Nootka Elementary and Windermere Secondary students).			
29-Jul-14	Safe spaces in our community for seniors/frail people."*Developed at Ray Cam CC			
29-Jul-14	Safe housing and spaces in our neighbourhood"* Developed at Ray Cam CC			
29-Jul-14	Expressing ourselves: More strings/band programs outside of schools. Have more areas around the city with outdoor performance venues. More community showcasing and fundraising to increase cultural interaction. Accessibility to instruments for children."*Developed at Champlain Heights CC			
29-Jul-14	For a good start , you need: Resources/childcare for mothers, healthy food choices, community spaces for active lifestyles, extracurricular."* Developed at West Point Grey CC			

## Healthy City Strategy Goals

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| A Good Start                        | Cultivating Connections           |
| A Home for Everyone                 | Active Living and Getting Outside |
| Feeding Ourselves Well              | Lifelong Learning                 |
| Healthy Human Services              | Expressing Ourselves              |
| Making Ends Meet and Working Well   | Getting Around                    |
| Being and Feeling Safe and Included | Environments to Thrive In         |