Purpose-driven and thriving: this year's 'BC's Top Employers' are announced

VANCOUVER, February 13, 2024 – Job-seekers across British Columbia are looking for employers that make a meaningful difference in their communities – and employers are responding with innovative programs that make a positive local impact. The best of these initiatives were recognized today as *BC's Top Employers (2024)* were announced in a special magazine copublished by the Vancouver Sun and Mediacorp Canada Inc., organizers of the annual Canada's Top 100 Employers project.



"There's a dated assumption that meaningful work comes at a cost," says Richard Yerema, executive editor of the Canada's Top 100 Employers project. "Caring for your people isn't counter to running a successful organization, it's key. And what better proposition to attract talented individuals than to offer progressive benefits along with the ability to have a positive impact on the broader community."

This year's winners are drawn from a diverse set of industries, from software to engineering and the public sector, which reflect the province's overall economy. Among the winners are organizations that are purpose-driven themselves – such as Covenant House, a provider of housing and support services to youth facing homelessness, and United Way British Columbia, a not-for-profit organization that supports people in need.

"Many of this year's winners are keenly aware that at the root of their success as organizations is the wellbeing of their employees," says Kristina Leung, managing editor of the annual Canada's Top 100 Employers project. "Whether it's enhancing coverage for mental health care or increasing paid time off to enable employees to spend more time with loved ones, this year's winners understand that taking care of employees is a central part of every decision their organizations make."

Now in its 19th year, *BC's Top Employers* is a special designation that recognizes the British Columbia employers that lead their industries in offering exceptional places to work. Editors at Mediacorp review employers on eight criteria, which have remained consistent since the project's inception: (1) Workplace; (2) Work Atmosphere & Social; (3) Health, Financial & Family Benefits; (4) Vacation & Time Off; (5) Employee Communications; (6) Performance Management; (7) Training & Skills Development; and (8) Community Involvement. The editors publish detailed 'reasons for selection' for these criteria, providing transparency in the selection of winners and a catalogue of best practices for employers and job-seekers alike. The

competition is open to any employer with their head office or principal place of business located within British Columbia.

Founded in 1992, Mediacorp Canada Inc. is the nation's largest publisher of employment periodicals. Since 1999, the Toronto-based publisher has managed the <u>Canada's Top 100</u> <u>Employers</u> project, which includes 19 regional and special-interest editorial competitions that reach millions of Canadians annually through a variety of magazine and newspaper partners, including The Globe and Mail and Vancouver Sun. Mediacorp also operates <u>Eluta.ca</u>, one of Canada's largest job search engines, used by millions of job-seekers annually to find new job postings and discover what the nation's best employers are offering.

The full list of *BC's Top Employers* (2024) was announced today in a <u>special magazine</u> published with the Vancouver Sun. Detailed 'reasons for selection' for each of this year's winners, as well as hundreds of additional stories and photos about their initiatives, were released today by the editors and are accessible via the <u>competition homepage</u>.

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BC's Top Employers 2024 Winners

Acuitas Therapeutics, Inc., Vancouver
Advanced Solutions, Victoria
Alida Inc., Vancouver
AME Group, Victoria
Arrow Transportation Systems Inc., Vancouver
Ausenco Engineering Canada Inc., Burnaby
BC Assessment, Victoria
BC Children's Hospital Foundation, Vancouver
BC Energy Regulator, Fort St. John
BC Financial Services Authority / BCFSA, Vancouver
BC Housing Management Commission, Burnaby
BC Hydro, Vancouver

BC Hydio, vancouver

BC Infrastructure Benefits Inc. / BCIB, Vancouver

BC Pension Corp., Victoria

BC Public Service, Victoria

BC Transit, Victoria

Best Buy Canada Ltd., Vancouver

Binary Stream Software Inc., Burnaby

Black & White Zebra Industries Inc., Vancouver

Boughton Law Corporation, Vancouver

British Columbia Automobile Association / BCAA, Burnaby

British Columbia Ferry Services Inc. / BC Ferries, Victoria

British Columbia Institute of Technology / BCIT, Burnaby

British Columbia Investment Management Corp. / BCI, Victoria

British Columbia Liquor Distribution Branch, Burnaby

British Columbia Lottery Corporation / BCLC, Kamloops

British Columbia Utilities Commission, Vancouver

Burnaby, City of, Burnaby

Canfor Corporation, Vancouver

Capilano University, North Vancouver

Century Group Lands Corp., New Westminster

Chartered Professional Accountants of British Columbia / CPABC, Vancouver

CityWest, Prince Rupert

Clio, Burnaby

College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia, The, Vancouver

Community Living BC, Vancouver

Concert Properties Ltd., Vancouver

Copperleaf Technologies Inc., Vancouver

Coquitlam, City of, Coquitlam

Covenant House Vancouver, Vancouver

Delta Police Department, Delta

Dexcom Canada, Co., Burnaby

Dixon Mitchell Investment Counsel Inc., Vancouver

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, Vancouver

Douglas College, New Westminster

DP World Canada Inc., Burnaby

Engineers and Geoscientists BC, Burnaby

First Credit Union, Powell River

First Nations Finance Authority, Westbank

First West Credit Union, Langley

FortisBC Inc., Surrey

Fresh Prep Foods Inc., Vancouver

Full Circle Studio, Burnaby

Grosvenor Canada Ltd., Vancouver

Hatfield Consultants LLP. North Vancouver

Houle Electric Limited, Burnaby

Hudson Pacific Properties, Vancouver

ICBC / Insurance Corporation of British Columbia, North Vancouver

Interfor Corp., Burnaby

iOmetrix. Vancouver

Island Health, Victoria

Kwantlen Polytechnic University, Surrey

LandSure Systems Ltd., Vancouver

Land Title and Survey Authority of British Columbia, Victoria

Law Society of British Columbia, The, Vancouver

Lawson Lundell LLP, Vancouver

Ledcor Group of Companies, Vancouver

Legal Aid BC, Vancouver

Maple Ridge, City of, Maple Ridge

McElhanney Ltd., Vancouver

MEC Mountain Equipment Company Ltd., Vancouver

Mosaic Forest Management Corp., Vancouver

Mott MacDonald Canada Limited, Vancouver

Nature's Path Foods Inc., Richmond

Nicola Wealth Management Ltd., Vancouver

North Vancouver, Corporation of the District of, North Vancouver

Okanagan College, Kelowna

Oppenheimer Group, Coquitlam

PageFreezer Software Inc., Vancouver

Pedalheads, Vancouver

Perkins&Will Canada Architects Co., Vancouver

Peterson Investments (Canada) Inc., Vancouver

Plentyoffish Media ULC, Vancouver

Powerex Corp., Vancouver

Prevue HR Systems Inc., Vancouver

Prince Rupert Port Authority, Prince Rupert

Providence Health Care, Vancouver

Provincial Health Services Authority / PHSA, Vancouver

QHR Technologies Inc., Kelowna

Raymond James Ltd., Vancouver

R.F. Binnie & Associates Ltd., Burnaby

Rocky Mountaineer, Vancouver

RTS Canada Inc., Richmond

Saanich, District of, Victoria

Saanich Police Department, Victoria

SAP Canada Inc., Vancouver

SilverChef Rentals Inc., Vancouver

Simon Fraser University, Burnaby

SkilledTradesBC, Richmond

SkyBox Labs Inc., Burnaby

Smythe LLP, Vancouver

Sophos Inc., Vancouver

St. George's School, Vancouver

Teck Resources Limited, Vancouver

TELUS Communications Inc., Vancouver

Tolko Industries Ltd., Vernon

TransLink (South Coast British Columbia Transportation Authority), New Westminster

TYBO Contracting Ltd., Langley

UBC / University of British Columbia, Vancouver

United Way British Columbia, Burnaby

University of Northern British Columbia, Prince George

University of the Fraser Valley / UFV, Abbotsford

University of Victoria, Victoria

Vancouver, City of, Vancouver

Vancouver City Savings Credit Union, Vancouver

Vancouver Coastal Health. Vancouver

Vancouver Foundation, Vancouver

Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, Vancouver

Vancouver Island University, Nanaimo

Ventana Construction Corporation, Burnaby

Victoria Airport Authority, North Saanich

Wesgroup Equipment LP, Surrey

West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd., Vancouver

WorkSafeBC, Vancouver

Yulu Public Relations Inc., Vancouver