



Truth and Reconciliation at GDPL

The Gibsons and District Public Library is committed to the process of reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. We acknowledge that our work takes place on the unceded homeland of the S̄kw̄x̄w̄ú7mesh Nation.

GDPL strives to provide opportunities for our community to learn more about Truth and Reconciliation and the history and cultural perspective of the S̄kw̄x̄w̄ú7mesh Nation.

GDPL strives to respond to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action.

Collections: Our collections for all ages will highlight, acknowledge and honour the unique cultures, experiences, and interests of Indigenous communities and include titles that reflect the impact of residential schools and the theme of reconciliation. GDPL will maintain a current list of our books by and about Indigenous People.

Programs and Education: GDPL will offer community programming and resources that further understanding of the residential school experience of Indigenous Peoples, Indigenous History and Indigenous Cultural Perspectives. An active Territorial Acknowledgement will open proceed all programs and meetings, and will be included in GDPL Staff email signatures. GDPL Staff and Board Trustees will participate in training on the history and impact of residential schools and colonization, as well as other cultural and human rights training.

Library Space: GDPL will explore ways within the Library and in its exterior to honour the S̄kw̄x̄w̄ú7mesh Nation, and to identify that the Library and our community exists on S̄kw̄x̄w̄ú7mesh land.