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Let's Connect:

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"Let your voice be heard."

Advanced Voting Days: October 10, 12, 13, 17, 19
Voting Day: October 20

"I want all citizens to have a strong voice. Your vote is your voice."

RE-ELECT



Teri TOWNER

to Coquitlam City Council on Saturday, October 20

"It has been an honour to serve the residents of Coquitlam these past four years, working with a great team at City Hall to strengthen our vibrant, diverse city of community-minded citizens. My active approach has kept me very engaged with seniors, youth, and families. I regularly hear from people who love this city, and who want it to continue to improve, to thrive, to be a great place to raise our kids – and for all to live, work, learn and play. That's why I'm running for re-election.

Our future is looking great. A vote for me will keep that momentum going!"



Family Focused.
Community Centred.
Future Minded.

Meet Teri

- Born and raised locally, Coquitlam resident for 20 years; mother of two active teenagers
- Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration (SFU)
- 16 years as Human Resources manager/analyst; Fund Development at local non-profit

She's Committed

Recipient of:

- 2017 Women's Collaborative Hub "Inspiration" award
- Provincial BCCPAC "Excellence in Parent leadership"
- TriCity News A-List "Favourite Community Volunteer"
- Toastmasters Inspirational Communication award

She's Effective:

- Brought forward a motion to UBCM calling for reform in local government elected official remuneration
- Successfully advanced motion to Province calling for ridesharing
- Launched a petition to Government of Canada supporting Search & Rescue volunteers in our country (petition is currently active)
- A wide variety of successful civic initiatives

She's Dedicated

- Serving 3rd year on Board for Community Volunteer Connections
- Appointed to Habitat for Humanity Coquitlam Family Partnering Committee
- Co-founded (2016) and Chairs TriCities Friends of Refugees Task Group
- Serves on BC Ministry's TriCities Committee on Interculturalism
- Active in Coquitlam Adopt-a-Street program; regularly organizes community litter clean-ups
- 12 years serving on school PACs, 9 years as executive with DPAC43
- Active "Trailblazer" with Happy Healthy Women Coquitlam collective
- Initiated:

Installation of Little Free Library in Burquitlam
Funding and launch of SD43 school breakfast program
Establishing and leading Coquitlam SunRun/walk clinic

She's Been Working Hard at City Hall

- Chair, Cultural Services Advisory Committee
- Vice Chair, Sports Advisory Committee
- Council Rep for the Tri-Cities Homelessness & Housing Task Group
- Council Rep on the 3030 Gordon Emergency Shelter Task Force
- Vice Chair, Universal Accessibility Advisory Committee
- Council Rep on Joint Family Court & Youth Justice Committee
- Mentor of Youth Council, adult sponsor of upcoming TEDx Coquitlam
- Named Coquitlam's FCM Canada 150 Community Leader

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Strong Neighbourhoods for a Strong Coquitlam

AFFORDABILITY: Housing is a challenge facing every community. I support Coquitlam's Housing Affordability Strategy, aimed at securing a wide range of housing options and solutions, a strategy that now sees thousands of new rental homes – market and non-market – in stream. But affordability isn't just housing. I embrace transportation solutions (including ride-hailing), childcare options and the creation of jobs. I will continue to look for operational efficiencies and keeping property taxes low.

CONNECTED COMMUNITY: I love this community. I work hard to achieve a thriving, vibrant, connected community in which residents and business can grow and prosper. We must support our increasing population by building more facilities, parks, and public spaces for all – including amenities for off-leash dogs. Coquitlam must continue to embrace cultural and intercultural strategies, programs for seniors, accessibility initiatives, youth development, partnerships with schools and NGOs. A connected community is a strong community.

PUBLIC SAFETY: I support excellence in police and fire response. I've been advancing traffic safety initiatives, particularly around our schools, and road infrastructure improvements. I support initiatives to address the speed of cars in our neighbourhoods. The Riverview site should be expanded for mental health treatment and we must take measures to address the public safety aspects of addiction – including improperly discarded needles. I believe we can all work together to keep Coquitlam a safe place to live and raise our children.

HEALTHY, ACTIVE FAMILIES: I am committed to the well-being of youth, seniors and families. I support initiatives and policies that promote accessible, quality recreation programs, support for team sports, cycling infrastructure, library services, youth programs, arts centres and festivals. We need to continue to push the Province to advance construction of new schools and increase the necessary health services. And our kids need increased opportunities for active, unstructured play. When families thrive, communities win.

As an involved member of our community my track record shows I listen and focus on what counts: the people. You.

