



Linley Faulkner

COUNCIL CHAIR

Term on Council:
2015 - Present

Hometown:
Jackson, Mississippi

Current Community:
Victoria, BC

Inspiration

I am looking forward to engaging with other young people who are interested in making positive impact in the community. With experience in the non-profit sector, I understand the importance of community grants for programs and projects, especially when it comes to marginalized youth.

Fun Fact

In 2014, I decided to make a huge change in almost every area of my life – I moved to Silicon Valley for four months where I joined a tech start-up. We all lived in one house and grew the company from the comfort of our dining room.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

The Council already does amazing work in empowering young people on Vancouver Island. I hope to continue that great work and encourage more young people to start projects that have meaning in their communities and lives.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

I am excited by all the moments in my life where I've been part of something interesting and impactful for a community. Whether it was leading local youth engagement events or participating in international forums like the UN Commission on the Status of Women.

Bio

Linley Faulkner graduated with distinction from the University of Victoria with a double major in Political Science and Women's Studies. She partly completed a Masters in Public Administration, before deciding a career in the public sector was not her calling. She currently works in the local tech sector. She has worked and volunteered locally and internationally in the non-profit and social service sector for over ten years. She is passionate about youth engagement, and has worked on multiple youth initiatives in the greater Victoria area. She is also a certified external evaluator for the Victoria Youth Program Quality Initiative (YPQI).

Locally, she has worked for organizations such as Pacific Centre Family Services Association (PCFSA), Boards Together, and the Victoria Immigrant and Refugee Centre Society (VIRCS).

Previous to the Young Leaders Community Council, she volunteered as a board director for the Community Social Planning Council (CSPC) and sat on several steering committees for initiative such as the Emerging Leader Network (ELN), Youth Service Provider Network (YSPN) and Net2 Victoria (Technology for Nonprofits). As an active member of the local tech community, Linley helped launch Girls Learning Code (GLC) as the Victoria lead.



Linley supporting a multiculturalism initiative.