



Peter Papagiannis

Term on Council:
2015 - Present

Hometown:
Campbell River, BC

Current Community:
Victoria, BC

Inspiration

I have witnessed firsthand the impact that receiving a grant can have on people. Because of this, I wanted to be a part of a group that supports organizations that help youth from our communities reach their potential.

Fun Fact

I recently became a father in January. My wife and I welcomed a happy and healthy boy with a head full of hair. His name is Lawren, named after the iconic Canadian artist Lawren Harris.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

I hope to allocate funds in the most efficient way possible in order to assist those in need. A successful term on the Council will be measured by the number of youth who are given an opportunity, a second chance, or a helping hand that improves their lives.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

I led a program that helped at-risk youth gain valuable work and life skills. I was able to spend a summer with these amazing young people, and help them prepare for the workforce. Seeing them years later, established in their careers and living independently, fills me with great pride.

Bio

Peter holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Canadian History from the University of Victoria (UVic). He currently works as an Alumni Annual Giving Officer for UVic's Faculty of Education, supporting the Faculty of Education and the Faculty of Fine Arts.

He brings over five years of grant writing experience and project management skills to the Youth Get It Community Council.

Peter previously ran a federally funded Skills Link program helping at-risk youth empower themselves, learn new skills, and secure employment. Peter's time as youth facilitator has allowed him to become engaged with and informed on the resources available to youth, and the challenges that they face.

His previous work at Our Place Society has opened his eyes to life on the streets, and what youth face if they have no support in their formative years.



Peter is dedicated to pushing himself, personally and professionally, to become a better leader in the Greater Victoria area.

Peter prepares to catch some West Coast waves