Young Leaders Community Council

Fraser Valley





Sean Lafortune

NEW MEMBER: January 2016

Hometown: Saskatoon, SK

Current Community: Vancouver, BC

Inspiration

Volunteerism and holding true to my values are very important to me. I am excited to be play a role in the success of so many great organizations that are making a significant impact in the lives of youth.

Fun Fact

When I get a good book, I will often read until I am finished, even if that means staying up until two or three in the morning.

What do you hope to achieve on the Council?

I hope to make a lasting difference in the lives of youth in our community while building relationships with the other members of the Council and the community partners we work with.

What accomplishment are you most proud of to date?

The volunteer work I did for six months across South America. I volunteered on a number of organic farms while learning Spanish.

Bio

Sean Lafortune has earned a Bachelor of Commerce, with distinction, from the Haskayne School of Business at the University of Calgary. A few years after graduation, Sean relocated to Vancouver, where he now works as a Manager, Small Business Banking at Coast Capital Savings.

Prior to his work at Coast Capital, Sean worked for Family Services of Central Alberta, which provides funding for young mothers and their children. Sean was involved in preparing grant proposals, working directly with clients, and building stakeholder relationships.

Sean is all about giving back, and has volunteered for a number of organizations, including World Vision, where he has spoken at numerous public events on the importance of child sponsorship. These sponsorships help children and communities access education, clean water, food, and health care. The goal is to aid children in their educational pursuits, while also keeping them healthy both mentally and physically.



Outside of work and volunteerism, Sean is an avid hiker and has spent a lot of time exploring the mountains from North Vancouver to Whistler. He is also an active cycler and recently rode the ice field parkway from Jasper to Banff with his brother and sister.

Sean looks forward to bringing his strong financial expertise and background with non-profit organizations to the Young Leaders Community Council.

Sean getting ready to catch some waves in beautiful Tofino.