

YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Youth and Ecological Restoration Program (YER) is a twenty hour work experience and training program for vulnerable youth to gain work and life skills through involvement with positive community members in the Comox Valley. Since it began on July 1, 2004 to March 31, 2011, YER has worked with one hundred and seventy-five youth. Most of the funding has come from BC Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD); initial contributions were by Queen Alexandra Foundation for Children and the Vancouver Foundation supported development of the second phase of the program.

This report documents YER progress from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011; during that time period YER worked with twenty-four youth. It provides a summary of YER completion rates (Table 1a), youth referral organizations (Table 1b), youth organization interconnections (Table 1c), ecological restoration groups (Table 1d), and community presentation locations (Table 1e). It also includes a YER budget (Table 2), monthly expenditures (Table 3) and a full list of YER Community Partnerships (Appendix A). The text describes each of these aspects in more detail.

2. PROGRESS AND OUTCOMES

Documentation of YER progress and outcomes for the 2010/2011 fiscal year include: youth participant summary (Table 1); youth quotes; community partnerships (Appendix A); community support and celebration; and program promotion. One table (YER Goal Summary Table) that has been included in previous reports was eliminated because it took an inordinate amount of time to produce for the amount of information it represented. The youth quotes that have always been a highlight of the YER reports continue to reflect the learning that occurs for the five main goals.

Youth Participant Summary

Twenty-four youth participated in YER from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011; they were aged twelve to eighteen years old; eleven were girls and thirteen were boys (Table 1). All of these youth completed the program (Table 1a). Three Comox Valley organizations referred youth to YER with most from Glacier View Learning Centre (Table 1b). Youth interconnections with other Comox Valley youth services are presented in Table 1c. Several therapy locations were added to this list as youth are asked what community counseling services they utilize (Table 1c).

The twenty-four youth conducted ecological work with twelve environmental and community organizations (Table 1d). These youth completed YER with presentations to eighteen community groups and two youth gave extra speeches at the annual YER celebration (Table 1e). Twenty-one youth received fifty dollars on YER completion, and three youth made community service hour

contributions. All of the youth who complete the program receive a YER certificate; a letter of reference that can be used for employment possibilities; and a YER crest and waterproof sticker. Youth are also provided with transportation to the job site and lunch.

YER Goals and Youth Quotes

YER has five main goals: building healthy community relationships; gaining valuable work experience; improving ecological knowledge; increasing personal and social skills; and enhancing communication skills. There is an interview process to obtain information from each youth to determine YER effectiveness. Youth are asked preliminary questions on their first day; there is a debriefing at the end of each work day; and post work experience and post presentation questions on completion. Files are created for youth participants and evaluated to determine what the youth have learned from their YER experience. In their own words, the following youth quotes express some of the learning that happens in each of the five YER main goal categories.

GOAL # 1: BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS

Cooperation, Support and Compassion; Positive Role Models and Mentoring; Increased Community Capacity and Caring

- Because we are helping the salmon out and proving to other people that the salmon are there and need our help. Each salmon should be treated as an individual because they are individuals. Before you think there is a lot of salmon and if one dies it doesn't matter because you are rescuing a lot. Each salmon is an individual, so then we will treat them better. *(Participant # 154)*
- We all live in a watershed; a watershed is a river surrounded by mountains; the rain falls from the mountains and drains into the river. A watershed is like our community, we help each other out to survive. There are lots of things you can do in the community to help. We're helping the watersheds and the watersheds are helping us to survive. *(Participant # 169)*
- You get to work with a lot of volunteers to help repopulate the Oyster River salmon population. You get to catch salmon in a tank, transport them in a truck to a marshy area downstream and release them. You get to feed the baby salmon; its fun watching the baby fish jump. Its fun working with all the old retired guys because they're energetic and full of life and try to make the best of things. *(Participant # 171)*

GOAL # 2: GAINING VALUED WORK EXPERIENCE

Data Collection Methods; Working with Tools; Worksite Safety; Job Variety

- When we arrived at Tsolum River I got on chest waders. Chest waders are huge boots up to the heart. I went into a raging river. I counted all the fish in a fish trap. There were four different fish and two were salmon. *(Participant # 153)*
- The ministry helps monitor the quality of the watersheds; we specifically worked at Tsolum because of the mine opened for only 4 years and high copper levels that killed fish. The things we did were measure the banks for wetted width and bank full width, take samples of aquatic invertebrates, algae samples, water depth/current, and temperature, and the rock count, and habitat evaluation. *(Participant # 165)*
- I had to teach the robins how to pick up worms off the ground by holding the worm and lowering it until it grabbed it. I had to dig for worms in the muck for the birds and it was dirty, smelly and super messy! Birds are brought to the centre or rescued by volunteers working there when they are injured or sick. *(Participant # 161)*

GOAL # 3: IMPROVING ECOLOGICAL KNOWLEDGE

Ecosystem Cycles and Interconnections; Identification Techniques for Plants, Animals and Fish; Understanding Environmental Impacts

- Me and Wendy proceeded to check water quality in different tributaries of the Tsolum; Towhee and Finlay. As soon as we collected our data we went to the Project Watershed office and input our data into Jack's laptop. As we were leaving I glanced at a map that brought me to realize that the Comox Valley isn't just a community, but a very complex network of watersheds and river systems. *(Participant # 156)*
- On the first day we worked on the Dyke Road at the estuary. An estuary is where the river turns to the ocean. The fish use this area to adapt to the salt water of the ocean. The estuary is sort of like a big grocery store for salmon. We then took scale samples to see how old the fish were. The scales on a fish are kind of like a tree, the rings on them can tell us how old they are. After weighing and measuring the fish we tagged them. We tag them so we can track them and see what parts of the estuary they are using. We are doing this so we can help protect the estuary. *(Participant # 159)*
- From the logging and logging companies and the trees. The trees absorb rain and when you take away the trees it doesn't absorb and the river gets too high and the eggs get swept away and they won't hatch which destroys the salmon population. *(Participant # 167)*

GOAL # 4: INCREASING PERSONAL AND SOCIAL SKILLS

Meaningful Participation and Empowerment; Commitment, Respect and Responsibility; Patience and Endurance; Accomplishment, Self-confidence and Success

- The volunteering work I did will help me get another job to be successful in life. I've been trying to get a job for awhile. I've been low income for awhile and I might be able to get a job so I can help out my Mom. *(Participant # 155)*
- So, my overall time with Wendy was a blessing. She taught so much about nature, fish and life in general. I believe every one should join into this program. You might learn something about yourself, I sure did. I learned I can try anything and not be afraid. *(Participant # 157)*
- This program was better than I thought. I wanted to quit, but I didn't. I think it was a good choice. I would recommend it to my friends. *(Participant # 173)*

GOAL # 5: ENHANCING COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Public Speaking and Education; Active Listening and Engagement; Interpersonal Relationships

- It feels pretty good to finish the program. It was a good experience. I feel kind of smart because I completed it. I never knew I could actually speak in front of people because that was the first real presentation I did. I feel confident in myself when I was speaking and when I was doing the presentation I felt confident afterwards. *(Participant # 158)*
- I liked the best I got to fish because I didn't just fish by myself and I helped some people out. It's a good feeling when you help someone that can't do it themselves. I learned that when people get older they need younger people to help them out because they can't do it themselves anymore. *(Participant # 163)*
- My favourite place to work was Morrison Creek because I know that creek already. Beauty, how it can be such a civilized place, but look so wild. Watching the fish swim around and how they act. How they interact with each other, it is almost like they can talk with each other. *(Participant # 166)*

Community Support and Celebration

YER continues to be supported by the many community organizations that the youth work with, either through the ecological restoration activities or the presentation locations (Table 1d and 1e).

There are now a total of ninety-nine groups that have interacted with youth who participate in the program (Appendix A). These associations have been instrumental to foster healthy relationships between young people and community members.

Some growing pains have occurred over the years as diverse groups learn to trust each other and this past year was no exception. An incident happened with one organization where a youth was labeled as a problem in front of a small group of people, which was very upsetting for the youth. This conflict was resolved in a quick and efficient manner after the organization was informed and two letters of apology were sent to YER. The letters were forwarded to the youth, who was grateful for the acknowledgement of the insult to their character. YER continues to work in a positive manner with the organization.

There is an annual YER celebration to honour the accomplishments of the YER youth. For the second year this event was held at Glacier View Learning Centre, occurring on March 17, 2011. Most of those present were youth who attended Glacier View and several community members dropped in during the time that the event was taking place, which was from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Once again, two youth replicated their earlier community presentations (Table 1e) and most people shared an experience with nature and gave comments on the program. We shared pizza, pop, juice and homemade carrot cake. Approximately fifty people participated in the gathering.

Program Promotion

YER promotion is ongoing during the year through the youth community presentations. Every year there are other methods of promotion that support and sustain the program. A press release for the annual community celebration is advertised in the local newspapers. Comox Valley Echo printed full front page coverage of the second section of its Friday paper on March 11, 2011, which included two large pictures and the caption “Environment work + youth = success”. The Comox Valley Record put the article in its Wednesday, March 16, 2011 edition called “Youth, ecology benefit”. As well, a poster advertising the event was distributed at Glacier View School. A poster was also displayed at the Eureka Clubhouse to publicize a June 21st youth presentation.

The YER brochure continues to be distributed to youth referral, environmental and community groups as a form of marketing. The YER website (www.youthecology.ca) is listed on the back of the brochure and gives more details about the program. Both the brochure and website will be updated sometime in the next year. The photo album continues to be used as a way to illustrate youth activities in the program at community gatherings and presentations.

The YER coordinator was requested to give a presentation at a “Lets Collaborate, Community Forum” in Qualicum, BC on September 18, 2010. This presentation demonstrated YER as a model of building bridges and collaborating with diverse community groups in the Comox Valley, and was very well received. YER maintains a positive presence in our community, promoting youth working with others from an assertive and constructive position.

3. BUDGET AND FUNDING UPDATE

Budget for 2010/2011

The final budget for YER from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2011 was \$30,996.81 (Table 2 and 3). Funds were provided by MCFD in the amount of \$30,900.00; \$96.81 in interest was gained from

investing the principal in a term deposit. Expense items are listed below and in Table 2; monthly expenditures are presented in Table 3.

- **Professional fees** included fees, administration costs and program evaluation for \$25,511.15.
- **Honouraria** for youth participants was \$50 for twenty-one youth and \$20 for two youth.
- **Equipment** items were not purchased during the 2010/2011 fiscal year.
- **Transportation** costs were calculated at \$.50/kilometre for a total of \$2864.55.
- **Supplies** included office, lunch costs and general materials required for YER work.
- **Other** expenses included a criminal record check, insurance fees, bank charges, food items for the YER celebration and equipment repair.
- **In-kind Contributions** of \$2361.00 were given by organizations providing training and work tools, and donations for the YER celebration.

Funding Update

On September 7, 2010 a meeting was held with the YER coordinator and MCFD, Courtenay office staff. The discussion included increasing funding to support YER, Phase II and having the contract extended to a two year period of time. A letter proposing the YER contract changes was sent on February 4, 2011. YER funding was subsequently increased to \$35,000.00 for support of Phase II of the program and implementing an interview process to obtain feedback from the youth parents or caregivers; and the two year time period was approved from 2011 through to 2013.

4. SUMMARY

At almost seven years and nearing two hundred participants, YER continues to serve Comox Valley youth, giving them opportunities to improve their future potential. The youth participants have maintained an overall ninety-five per cent completion rate. The 2010 to 2011 YER contract with MCFD benefited twenty-four youth, who all completed the twenty hour program (Table 1). One of YER strengths is the number and diversity of groups that the youth connect with through the referral agencies, ecological restoration places and community presentations, which has now reached a total of ninety-nine (Appendix A).

YER documentation is obtained by interviewing the youth at different stages during their work experience and training. Quotes from the youth illustrate the learning that occurs for the five main program goals and are presented in the annual reports. Glacier View learning Centre, which is the main alternate school in the Comox Valley, refers the highest numbers of youth to YER (Table 1b), and the youth also interconnect with other youth service groups (Table 1c).

YER has, at times, struggled to maintain the funding necessary to continue this valuable service for Comox Valley youth. Ultimately it is a service that benefits the entire community because to help youth become positive, productive community members is a gift that ripples out to reward everyone. The increase in MCFD funding for program extension and a two year contract means that YER has now reached a level of security in regards to its funding that was previously not achieved, which allows this critical community work to persevere into the future.

YER has a reputable history of cooperation, community building and success for youth within the Comox Valley. The program addresses MCFD principles of prevention and early intervention, individual and community support and quality assurance guidelines. Exposing youth to their

social and ecological communities has created an opening for them to observe a whole new world of possibilities. This experience inspires the youth to feel that they possess potential to make a difference for themselves, their families and their community.

TABLE 1: YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM (YER)	
YOUTH PARTICIPANT SUMMARY TABLE FOR APRIL 1, 2010 TO MARCH 31, 2011.	
YER is a 20-hour work experience/training program for Comox Valley vulnerable youth funded by BC,	
Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD). Youth were given a number to protect their	
anonymity. There were 24 youth participants (Numbers 152-175); 11 girls and 13 boys; ages 12 to 18.	
Table 1a: YER COMPLETION	
YER completion required finishing 20 hours and giving a community presentation.	YOUTH TOTALS
Total Complete: Participant # 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175	24
Total Incomplete: # 0	0
TOTAL 480 WORK EXPERIENCE HOURS	24
Table 1b: YOUTH ORGANIZATION REFERRALS	
Youth participants were referred by five agencies in the Comox Valley (CV).	
CV School District: # 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 161, 162, 163, 166, 167, 170, 171, 172, 173	14
Bridgeway: # 155, 167, 170, 171 Senior Alternate: # 157, 158, 159, 161, 162, 166	
Independent Learning: # 156 Key Program: # 163, 173 Nala'atsi: # 172	
MCFD: # 153, 154, 160, 164, 165, 168, 169, 174, 175	9
Parent Teen Mediation # 168 Mental Health Team # 153, 164, 165, 169;	
Over Twelve Team # 154, 160, 174 Probation Services # 175	
Community Justice Centre: # 152	1
TOTAL 3 YOUTH REFERRAL ORGANIZATIONS	24

Table 1c: YOUTH ORGANIZATION INTERCONNECTIONS	
Youth participants 152-175 are connected with other Comox Valley youth services.	
SD #71: # 152, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175	23
MCFD: # 153, 154, 155, 156, 159, 160, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175	20
The Linc: # 153, 155, 159, 160, 163, 164, 166, 168, 170, 171, 172, 174, 175	13
John Howard Society: # 155, 156, 161, 162, 168, 171, 172, 173, 175	9
Comox Valley Boys and Girls Club: # 155, 159, 164, 168, 171, 175	6
Community Justice Centre: # 152, 155, 156, 160	4
Comox Valley Family Services: # 160, 175	2
Mark Isfeld School Counseling: # 161, 165	2
Strathcona Counseling: # 160	1
Lake Trail School Counseling: # 162	1
Glacier View School Counseling: # 161	1
Pacific Therapy Counseling: # 163	1
TOTAL 12 YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS	
TABLE 1 (Cont.): YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM (YER)	
YOUTH PARTICIPANT SUMMARY TABLE FOR APRIL 1, 2010 TO MARCH 31, 2011.	
Table 1d: ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION WORK	
Work events were attended by 1367 community members; an average of 57 per youth participant. Each youth worked with an average of 5 organizations.	YOUTH TOTALS
Tsolum River Restoration Society: # 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 160, 161, 162, 164, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175	21
Oyster River Enhancement Society: # 152, 153, 154, 156, 157, 158, 160, 161, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175	19
Mountaineer Avian Rescue Society: # 152, 153, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 173, 174, 175	17
Millard/Piercy Watershed Stewards: # 152, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 169, 171, 172, 173	12
Morrison Creek Streamkeepers: # 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 174, 175	9
Comox Valley Project Watershed Society: # 152, 153, 154, 157, 159, 162, 163, 164	8
Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association: # 161, 162, 163	3
Fanny Bay Enhancement Society: # 155, 175	2
Streamside Native Plants: # 170, 172	2
Comox Valley Regional District: # 174	1
World Community Development Education Society: # 156	1
Ministry of Environment, Environmental Protection: # 165	1
TOTAL 12 ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS	
Table 1e: COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS	

Attended by a total of 575 community members.	
Two youth did two presentations; one for YER graduation and one at the YER annual celebration.	
Comox Valley Alternate Schools: # 157, 167, 170, 171, 172, 173	6
Bridgewater # 167, 170, 171; Senior Alternate # 157; Nala'atsi # 172; Key Program # 173	
MCFD, Over Twelve Team: # 156, 160, 165, 174, 175	5
Youth and Ecological Restoration 7th Annual Community Celebration: # 130, 149	
Queenesh Elementary School, Earth Day Celebration: # 152	1
Queenesh Elementary School, Kindergarden to Grade 4: # 155	1
Glacier View Lodge: # 154	1
Casa Loma Seniors Village: # 163	1
Airport Elementary School, Grade 2/3: # 153	1
St. Joseph Hospital, Residential Care Facility: # 158	1
Royston Elementary School, Grade 7: # 159	1
Eureka Clubhouse: # 162	1
Puntledge Park Elementary School, Kindergarden: # 166	1
Puddleduck Daycare: # 161	1
Lighthouse Early Learning Centre: # 168	1
Island Early Education Centre: # 169	1
Independent Family Presentation: # 164	1
TOTAL 14 COMMUNITY PRESENTATION LOCATIONS	24

**TABLE 2: YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM (YER)
BUDGET TABLE FOR APRIL 1, 2010 TO MAR 31, 2011.**

Expenses, income and in kind contributions required to conduct work experience and training program for high potential youth in the Comox Valley. YER 2010/2011 funding was provided by BC Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD).

Expense Item	Expenses	Income	In Kind Contributions
Program Delivery	\$20,511.15	MCFD \$30,900.00	Training \$2,000.00
Administration	\$2,000.00	09/10 Interest \$96.81	
Evaluation/Report	\$3,000.00		
Honouraria	\$1,090.00		
Equipment	0		
Mileage	\$2,864.55		
Supplies	\$1,057.37		Work Tools \$200.00
Other	\$473.74		Celebration \$161.00
TOTALS	\$30,996.81	\$30,996.81	\$2,361.00

**TABLE 3: YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROJECT (YER)
MONTHLY EXPENDITURES FOR APRIL 1, 2010 TO MAR 31, 2011.**

Month	Total	Fees	Honour	Mileage	Equip.	Supplies	Misc.
Apr/09	5,676.05	4,992.00	50.00	457.50		90.54	86.01
May/09	4,997.30	4,096.00	250.00	524.00		92.30	35.00
June/09	4,306.06	3,328.00	200.00	341.50		424.40	12.16
July/09	583.85	512.00		60.05		3.49	8.31
Aug/09	6.00						6.00
Sept/09	3,047.86	2,560.00	150.00	286.50		42.28	9.08
Oct/09	3,689.26	3,072.00	100.00	405.50		100.37	11.39
Nov/09	4,122.75	3,328.00	150.00	523.00		113.44	8.31
Dec/09	619.86	384.00	150.00	42.50		31.97	11.39
Jan/10	1,217.35	1,024.00		136.50		48.54	8.31
Feb/10	956.06	768.00					188.06
Mar/10	1,774.41	1,447.15	40.00	87.50		110.04	89.72
TOTAL	30,996.81	25,511.15	1090.00	2,864.55	0	1057.37	473.74

**APPENDIX A: YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM (YER)
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS (Page 1 of 3)**

YER worked with ninety-nine Comox Valley groups from July 2004 to March 2011.

Seven groups referred youth clients from July 2004 to March 2011:

- BC Children’s Hospital www.bcchildrens.ca
- Comox Valley Alternate Schools:
Nalata’atsi; Sandwick; Independent Learning; Senior Alternate; Contract Tutoring
- Comox Valley Community Justice Centre www.cjc-comoxvalley.com
- Comox Valley Family Services Association www.comoxvalleyfamilyservices.com
- Comox Valley Youth Resource Society
- John Howard Society of North Island www.jhsni.bc.ca/
- Ministry of Children and Family Development:
Probation Services; Mental Health; Parent Teen Mediation; Over Twelve

Thirty groups had youth conduct ecological restoration work July 2004 to March 2011:

- Brooklyn Creek Watershed Society www.bcws.ca
- BC Hydro, Bridge Coastal Fish & Wildlife Restoration Program
- BC Ministry of Environment www.gov.bc.ca/env
- BC Ministry of Environment, Environmental Protection www.gov.bc.ca/env
- BC Ministry of Transportation www.gov.bc.ca/tran
- Comox Valley Environmental Council
- Comox Valley Land Trust www.evlandtrust.org
- Comox Valley Natural History Society www.comoxvalleynaturalist.bc.ca
- Comox Valley Water Research
- Comox Valley Watershed Assembly

- Comox Valley Regional District www.rdes.bc.ca
- Comox Valley Sustainability Network
- Comox Valley Project Watershed Society www.projectwatershed.bc.ca
- Courtenay & District Fish & Game Protective Association www.courtenayfishandgame.org
- Cumberland Community Forestry Society www.cumberlandforest.com
- Department of Fisheries and Oceans www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca
- Fanny Bay Enhancement Society www.fbses.ca
- Garry Oak Ecosystem Recovery Team www.goert.ca
- Georgia Strait Alliance www.georgiastrait.org
- Hart Watershed Society
- Millard/Piercy Watershed Stewards www.millardpiercy.org
- Morrison Creek Streamkeepers www.morrisoncreek.org/
- Mountaineer Avian Rescue Society www.wingtips.org
- Natural Journeys Society
- Oyster River Enhancement Society www.oysterriverenhancement.org/
- Perseverance Creek Streamkeepers
- Tsolum River Restoration Society www.tsolumriver.org/
- Streamside Native Plants
- Sunrise Rotary Club www.strathconasunrise.bc.ca
- World Community Development Education Society www.worldcommunity.ca

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YER worked with ninety-nine Comox Valley groups from July 2004 to March 2011.

Sixty-two community groups had presentations by youth July 2004 to March 2011:

- Airport Elementary School
- Arden Elementary School, Grade 4
- Arden Elementary School, Kindergarten
- Aspen Park Elementary School, Grade 4
- Airport Elementary School, Grade 2/3
- Aspen Park Elementary School, Grade 3
- Berwick Retirement Society www.berwickrc.com/comox
- Brooklyn Elementary, Grade 5
- Casa Loma Seniors Village www.retirementconcepts.com/homes/comox-valley
- Comox Rotary Club www.comoxrotary.bc.ca
- Comox Valley Aboriginal Head Start Program
- Comox Valley Boys and Girls Club, Voices Choices Group www.cvboysandgirlsclub.ca
- Comox Valley Community Justice Centre www.cjc-comoxvalley.com
- Comox Valley Natural History Society www.comoxvalleynaturalist.bc.ca
- Comox Valley Project Watershed Society www.projectwatershed.bc.ca
- Comox Valley Watershed Assembly
- Comox Valley Women's Resource Society
- Comox Valley Youth for Christ www.comoxvalley.yfccanada.org
- Comox Valley Youth Resource Society
- Cumberland Rotary Club www.rotarycc.org
- Contract Tutoring Program

- Courtenay & District Fish & Game Protective Association www.courtenayfishandgame.org
- Courtenay Elementary, Grade 3/4
- Courtenay Elementary, Grade 5/6
- Courtenay Kiwanis Club
- Courtenay Middle School, Grade 8
- Creekside Commons www.creeksidecommons.ca
- Ecole Aspen Park Middle School
- Eureka Clubhouse
- Fanny Bay Enhancement Society www.fbse.ca
- Glacier View Lodge Society www.glacierviewlodge.ca
- Independent Learning Program
- Island Early Education Centre
- John Howard Society, Staff Meeting www.jhsni.bc.ca/
- Kidzone Daycare
- Lake Trail Middle School, Grade 9
- Lewis Centre, Youth Program, Day Camp
- The LINC Youth Centre
- Lighthouse Early Learning Centre
- Merry Andrew Day Care
- Ministry of Children and Family Development, Mental Health Team
- Ministry of Children and Family Development, Over Twelve Team

APPENDIX A (cont.): YOUTH AND ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION PROGRAM (YER) COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS (Page 3 of 3)

YER worked with ninety-nine Comox Valley groups from July 2004 to March 2011.

Sixty-two community groups had presentations by youth July 2004 to March 2011 (cont.):

- Nala'atsi Program
- North Island College, Human Service Worker Program
- North Island College, Human Services Articulation Conference
- Oyster River Enhancement Society www.oysterriverenhancement.org/
- Puddleduck Daycare
- Puntledge Park Elementary School, Grade 4
- Puntledge Park Elementary School, Kindergarten
- Queneesh Elementary School, Earth Day Celebration
- Queneesh Elementary School, Kindergarten to Grade 4
- Roseberry Pre-School
- Royston Elementary School, Grade 7
- St. Josephs Hospital, Adolescent Support Group
- St. Josephs Hospital, Residential Care Facility
- Sandwick Alternate School
- Scouts Canada, First Comox Scout Troup
- Senior Alternate School
- Tsolum River Restoration Society www.tsolumriver.org/
- Vanier Senior Secondary School, Grade 8
- Wachiay Friendship Centre, Raven Back Youth Group www.wachiay.org
- Youth and Ecological Restoration Celebration