

BC Community Bat Program Summary of Completed Activities over 5 years (2021-2025) www.bcbats.ca Toll free: 1-855-9BC-BATS


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Year	# of regions with Community Bat Program coordinators	# of calls responded to with the toll free line	# presentations or events	Other outreach	New Certified Bat Friendly Community	New Bat Ambassadors	# roost reports	# site visits to homeowners with bats	# bat boxes built and installed	# volunteers helped with bat count	# bat counts	# roost sites in bat count	guano samples submitted for DNA testing	WNS surveillance: # dead bats submitted	WNS surveillance: # sites with spring guano collected
2021	19	1722	98	Introduced library bat packs, contacted 63 pest control companies with BMPs, partnering with Alberta Bats to develop online training for managing bats in buildings.	Had 3 (Dawson Creek, Peachland, Richmond), added 1 (Delta)	No workshops	220	138	125	350	932	331	143	20	n/a
2022	19	1300	107	BC Bat Edukits, UNBC bat survey, begun outreach to homeowners with maternity colonies to collect spring guano for Pd testing. Developed BMPs for bats in awnings/shades.	1 (Port Moody)	60	145	131	81	333	913	331	81	23	42
2023	20	1570	40	Reached out to realtors, roofers and chimney professionals.	1 (Comox)	No workshops	155	119	150	876	888	274		15	69
2024	20	1400	134	Pest control workshop, more Edukits, online Bat Ambassador training	1 (City of Langley)	71	191	163	137	650	1089	274	76	9	55
2025	18	1422	95	Partnering with Canadian Wildlife Federation to expand Bat Friendly Community certification nation-wide	3 (Penticton, Township of Langley, Tseh Kay Dene Nation)	211	163	56	188	810	1086	339	75	16	109
Total	highest: 20	7414	474		10	342	874	607	681	highest: 876	4908	highest: 339	375	83	275

Partner organizations delivering the BC Community Bat Program: Habitat Acquisition Trust (Vancouver Island South), Nanaimo Area Land Trust (Vancouver Island Mid), Cumberland Community Forest Society (Vancouver Island North), Denman Conservancy Association & Conservancy Hornby Island (Denman Hornby Islands), Gabriola Rescue of Wildlife Society (Gabriola Island), Mayne Island Conservancy (Mayne Island), Thetis Island Conservancy (Thetis Island), Scout Island Nature Centre (Cariboo-Chilcotin), Lillooet Naturalist Club (Lillooet), Kamloops Naturalist Club (Thompson), Sunshine Coast Wildlife Project (Sunshine Coast). The following regions are delivered by independent biologists: Metro-Vancouver Sea-to-Sky, other Gulf Islands, Okanagan, Kootenay, Shuswap, Skeena, Peace, and Omineca. The Fraser Valley and Texada Island are delivered by a combination of an independent biologist and Coastal Partners in Conservation Society.

Each region has many roost stewards, Bat Ambassadors, and partner organizations that participate and assist with the activities of the BC Community Bat Program.

The BC Community Bat Program is administered by the BC Conservation Foundation.

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