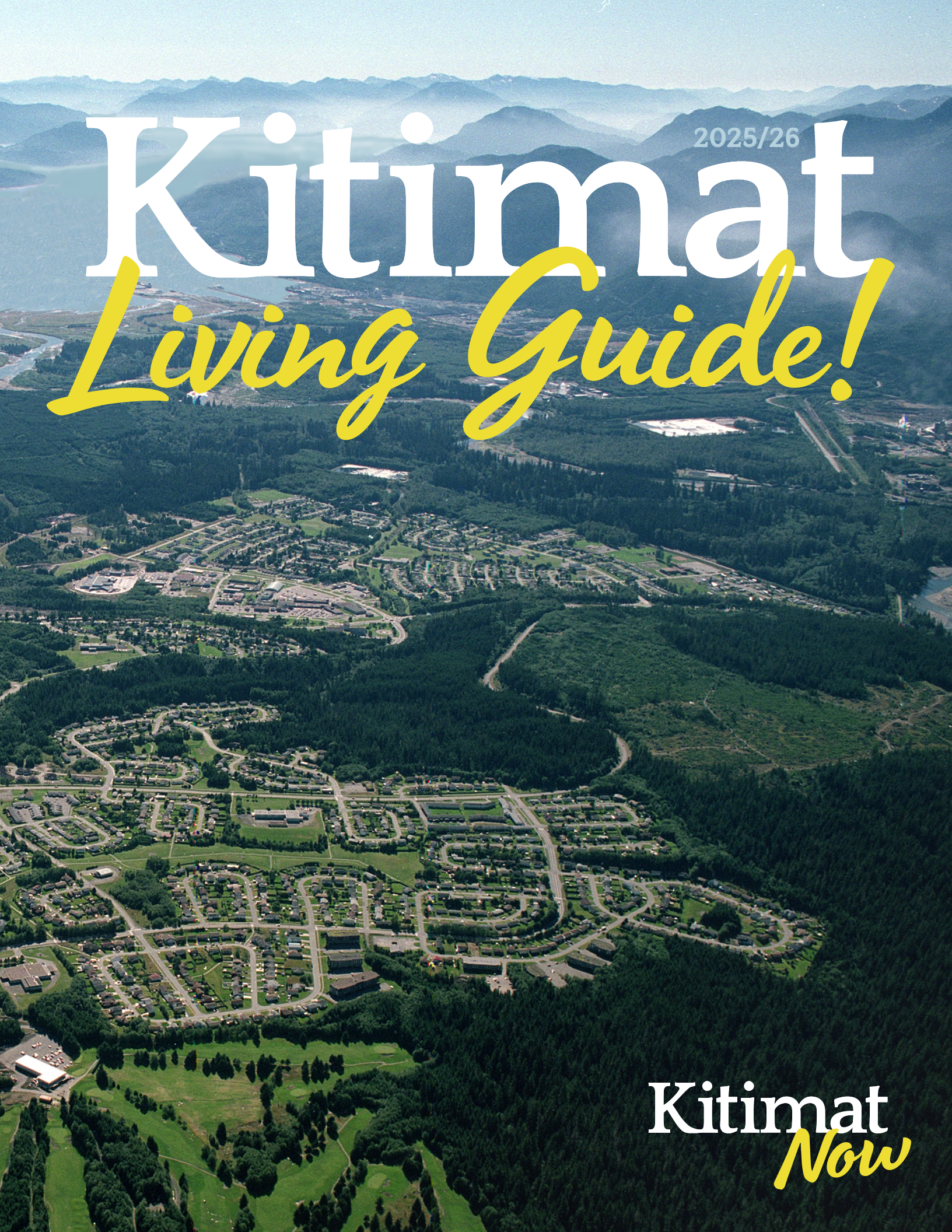




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YOU CHOSE *More!*

Life should be lived to its fullest. Time spent waiting is time spent wishing. Wishing for more. More fun, more excitement, more connection, more opportunity. More of the things we love, and less of the obligations that get in the way. Thank you for choosing to live in Kitimat, where you have the opportunity to **choose more.**

Welcome to Kitimat

Kitimat is a coastal community of about 9,000 people located in the captivating beauty of Northwest BC's stunning and rugged landscape. Our community sits at the head of the Douglas Channel next to the Kitimat River and is surrounded by mountains.

Kitimat is abound with natural opportunities. Beyond being situated in a spectacular natural setting which provides ample opportunity for recreation and enjoyment, we have a growing local economy that provides abundant employment and business opportunities. Since its inception, Kitimat has been a key pillar of the regional and provincial economy. Our robust industrial sector translates to high paying employment and business opportunities.

Our planned community provides comfortable, relaxed living with everything you and your family need from preschool to retirement including a variety of housing options. Abundant green spaces, an extensive walkway system and carefully balanced residential, commercial and industrial areas add to Kitimat's livability. We have modern health care facilities and the average commute to work takes only minutes. Indoor and outdoor recreation facilities and surrounding wilderness provide plenty of opportunity for an active, outdoor, coastal lifestyle.

History & Culture

Kitimat is derived from Git-a-maat (Kitamaat), a Tsimshian description of the Haisla, which means “People of the Snow.” Prior to colonization, the Kitamaat band of the Douglas and Devastation channels inhabited the unceded territory that Kitimat is now situated on.

HAISLA NATION

The Haisla, meaning “dwellers downriver,” have a rich culture and history and have occupied lands in Northwest BC for over 9,000 years. Today, about 700 of their 2,023 members live in Kitamaat Village (about 10 km from Kitimat). The modern day Haisla Nation is an amalgamation of two historic bands: the Kitamaat of the Douglas and Devastation channels and the Kitlope of the upper Princess Royal Channel and Gardner Canal.

Living and working on the land and water has always been fundamental to the Haisla way of life. They have lived off the land and water resources on their traditional territory for thousands of years, and are committed to the preservation of those resources for future generations.

The Haisla Nation Council has shown support for respectful, equitable, and sustainable development on their traditional territory. They have welcomed the LNG industry onto their territory by supporting LNG Canada, the proposed Kitimat LNG project, and through the development of their own Cedar LNG project, which in 2024 announced its positive Final Investment Decision. Throughout the process of LNG speculation and development, the Haisla have remained committed to protecting the environment, preserving the area’s natural assets, and expanding opportunities for their members.

For more information on the Haisla and Kitamaat Village, please visit the official Haisla Nation website: haisla.ca

DISTRICT OF KITIMAT

Kitimat was built in the 1950s on the unceded territory of the Haisla Nation to support construction and operation of a world-class Alcan aluminum smelter. Our community was designed by renowned city planner Clarence Stein to facilitate an environment that would attract and retain workers. Our history is steeped in multiculturalism as the developing community attracted workers from around the world. Kitimat remains a welcoming and diverse place to reside as natural opportunities continue to inspire workers and families from across the globe to make Kitimat their home.

Over the years, other industries, including forestry, pulp and paper, and methanol production have made Kitimat their home. In October 2018, the energy sector arrived when the decision was made by LNG Canada to develop a \$40B LNG export facility in Kitimat. This project is the single largest private sector investment in Canadian history. The investment is a case of history repeating itself, as Alcan’s investment in the Kitimat aluminum smelter was the single largest private investment in Canada’s history at the time. And now, with the 2024 announcement of Cedar LNG’s positive Final Investment Decision, Kitimat has become an integral location for Canada’s growing energy export sector.

ART IS A MAINSTAY OF HAISLA CULTURE

The Haisla Nation has produced a long lineage of talented and creative artists, who work to preserve traditional methods and craft new techniques.





IMMIGRANT & INTERPROVINCIAL NEWCOMERS SUPPORT

Moving someplace new can be challenging. There are excellent resources and supports available to you as a newcomer to Kitimat, both locally and from the province of British Columbia.

Provincial Information

The **B.C. Newcomers' Guide** provides comprehensive information from the province to ease your transition. You'll find information on:

- Finding a place to live
- Language services
- Public transportation
- School registration
- Opening a bank account
- How to apply for a BC Services card
- Finding medical services
- Assistance for those that require extra support

The guide is available in various languages: Arabic, Chinese Simplified, Chinese Traditional, Dari, Farsi, French, Korean, Punjabi, Russian, Spanish, Tagalog, Ukrainian and English.

Visit welcomebc.ca for your copy of the guide.

Welcome to Kitimat Club

This is a bi-monthly gathering of newcomers and community old timers, who gather to share information on locally-available community services. It also provides the opportunity to connect with others over snacks and coffee.

Kitimat Chamber of Commerce, 2109 Forest Avenue

Phone: 250-632-6294

kitimatclub.ca/welcome-to-kitimat-club-2

Kitimat Community Services Society

Literacy support (English as a second language) is available as well as learning opportunities, immigration settlement assistance and ESL tutoring to adults 19 years and older.

103A - 370 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-9107

Email: admin@kitimatcommunityservices.ca

kitimatcommunityservices.ca

To-Do

Settling in Checklist

	Interprovincial Newcomer	New Immigrant
Register for Medical Service Plan (MSP) ¹	☐	☐
Apply for a BC driver's licence ²	☐	☐
Book your BC driver's licence road test	N/A	☐
Apply for a Social Insurance Number (SIN) ³	N/A	☐
Find housing <i>see page 12</i>	☐	☐
Register vehicle with Insurance Company British Columbia (ICBC) ⁴	☐	☐
Purchase insurance (medical, home, vehicle, etc.) ⁵	☐	☐
Register your children in school <i>see page 26</i>	☐	☐
Apply for the Child Tax Benefit for children under 18 years old ⁶	N/A	☐
Register at a family doctor <i>see page 28</i>	☐	☐
Purchase a pet licence	☐	☐
Open a bank account	N/A	☐

1. MEDICAL SERVICE PLAN (MSP)

Eligibility requirements

Public health insurance is called the Medical Services Plan (MSP) and is available to eligible residents. To enroll, you must fall under one of the following categories:

Resident	Lives in British Columbia and is physically present in the province for at least 6 months of the calendar year.
Dependent	Dependents include spouses, children and dependent post-secondary students of eligible residents.
First Nations Resident	Enrollment and administration of MSP is done through the First Nations Health Authority.
Temporary Resident	Individuals who hold a study and/or work permit. Permits must be valid for a minimum of 6 months.

To obtain an MSP application form or to apply online, visit: gov.bc.ca

2. BC DRIVER'S LICENCE

You have 90 days to switch over your licence once you move to B.C. and are able to drive with an existing, valid licence in the interim. For more information, visit icbc.com.

3. SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER (SIN)

A SIN is required to work in Canada and/or to have access to government programs and benefits. For more information on application requirements, visit canada.ca. You may also apply in person; the nearest location is in Terrace.

Service Canada Centre

Address: 4630 Lazelle Avenue, Terrace
 Phone: 1-800-622-6232

4. VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Your vehicle must be registered with ICBC in order to obtain a B.C. licence plate and insurance. Register online at icbc.com.

5. INSURANCE

Insurance companies are available in Kitimat.

Westland Insurance

Address: 956 Wakashan Avenue
 Phone: 250-639-4739
 Web: envisionfinancial.ca

Kitimat Insurance Services

Address: 244 City Centre
 Phone: 250-632-4485
 Web: insurebc.ca

6. CHILD TAX BENEFIT

The Canada Child Benefit (CCB) is administered by the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA). This tax-free monthly payment is available to eligible families to help with the cost of raising children under 18 years of age. For more information, visit canada.ca.

ECONOMY & EMPLOYMENT

Join the Boom EMPLOYMENT

With the construction of Canada's first LNG export facility, there are plenty of opportunities for businesses to thrive in Kitimat. It is anticipated that the community will experience a prolonged period of industrial development as numerous large scale industrial projects are lined up to take advantage of natural opportunities.

Kitimat is in a period of growth.

This translates into opportunities:

- Start up a business
- Progress your career
- Find well-paying rewarding employment

Business services are presently in high demand to serve community residents, visitors and industrial workforces alike. This demand is expected to grow in the coming years, and with ongoing industrial investment from the LNG Canada and Cedar LNG projects, plus other residential and commercial developments, steady population growth is anticipated.

As businesses find opportunities in Kitimat, they also need to find employees. All of the economic activity in our community has created a strong demand for employees across sectors.

Finding the perfect job can be a journey. There are resources to assist with your job search in Kitimat:

BC JOBS

BC Jobs is the largest job board in Western Canada.

CANADA JOB BANK

Job Bank is Canada's national employment service, available as a website and mobile app.

DISTRICT OF KITIMAT

The *kitimatbound.ca* website hosts information on local employers and employment services.

KITIMAT VALLEY INSTITUTE (KVI)

Kitimat Valley Institute provides job placement services as well as efficient training opportunities that meet academic, industry and institutional training needs.

SKILLED TRADES EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM (STEP)

The Skilled Trades Employment Program helps you get job-ready with construction resume writing tips, interview skill building, and advice from those in the skilled trades industry.

WORKBC

WorkBC helps people find jobs, explore career options and improve their skills. It's the most comprehensive database of B.C. job postings

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Take advantage of natural opportunities in Kitimat. Kitimat is in a period of prolonged growth and there is a high demand for new businesses across sectors to serve the community.

HOW TO OPEN AND OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS IN KITIMAT

The District of Kitimat also works confidentially with businesses and investors, including a free Starting a Business Guide for new entrepreneurs in the community.

For further assistance with your new business start-up, relocation, or site selection for industrial

or international trade, visit Kitimat's investment portal at kitimat.ca or contact the Economic Development Department at 250-632-8921 or email edo@kitimat.ca.

Other resources for starting a business include:

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Promotes and protects business community interests to help make Kitimat a great place to work and live. Contact 250-632-6294 or email info@kitimatchamber.ca

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Provides information, support, and financial lending for business start-up, expansion or continuance.



HOUSING

Kitimat offers a range of housing options to meet your family's needs. Whether you are looking to rent your first apartment, buy a new home or purchase your retirement acreage, you can find a place to call your own.

Housing Taxes & Support

Updated semi-annually, the District of Kitimat has a Housing Fact Sheet which shows trends in new dwelling construction, real estate, and rental housing. Data has been tracked since the 1990's which helps you to see how industrial changes have impacted our housing market.

Visit kitimat.ca for a copy of the Housing Fact Sheet under *Housing*.

PROPERTY TAXES

Property taxes are calculated through a joint provincial/municipal process. BC Assessment determines the value of your property and the

Kitimat Council determines the tax rate for the community. Your property value and tax rate are multiplied to determine taxes owing.

Key information about property taxes in Kitimat:

- Property tax notices are mailed out in May each year.
- Your property tax includes school and Regional District taxes. We collect these taxes on their behalf.
- Residential water and garbage fees are also included in your property tax. Seniors receive a 10% discount.
- Payment must be received by the District of Kitimat by 5:00 p.m. on the property tax due date or a 10% penalty is charged.
- Some residents may also be eligible for the BC Home Owner Grant.
- Kitimat's residential property taxes are the lowest in the region and home prices are the cheapest in the region as well.

Learn more about property taxes in Kitimat on our website kitimat.ca under Taxes.

How To Find Housing

We have several real estate agents and community pages and groups to support you in finding your new home:

REAL ESTATE AGENCIES

- Century 21 Northwest Realty Ltd
- Re/max Kitimat Realty
- Real Estate Websites
- Realtor.ca

Neighborhoods

Kitimat is divided into five residential neighbourhoods. Whether you are looking to invest, purchase, build or rent – we have options at affordable prices.



Cable Car

Rural subdivision, river boat launch, 4H fairgrounds, river fishing, playground

Whitesail

Mount Elizabeth Middle Secondary School, Kitimat Valley Institute, Hirsch Creek Golf and Winter Club, Coho Flats and Smith Street hiking trails, playgrounds

Nechako

Nechako Elementary School, St. Anthony's Catholic School, Kitimat City High, skateboard park, mountain bike trail, playgrounds, a neighbourhood shopping and service centre & our fire hall

City Centre

Kildala

Kildala Elementary School, downtown core, Sam Lindsay Aquatic Centre, Riverlodge Recreation Centre, Kitimat Ice Rink, Tamitik Ice Arena, Kitimat General Hospital, Joe's trail, river fishing, playgrounds

Strawberry Meadows

A rural lifestyle in the heart of the community, Oviatt Bike Park, Minette Bay West Park, 24/7 daycare facility

TRANSPORTATION

Kitimat and Kitimaat Village are accessible by air, road and water. Transportation services are well established and provide options for getting from here to your destination.

Transportation Options

HANDYDART SERVICE

HandyDART service, a paratransit system provided through BC Transit, is available to those who are unable to safely navigate conventional public transit. A Medical Verification form may be required. Visit bctransit.com for more information.

BC Transit - HandyDART

250-632-4449

Service Hours:

Monday to Sunday, 7:00 am - 7:30 pm |

Holidays, Regular Service

AIRPORT

Kitimat Airpark

The Kitimat Airpark is a registered airport in the Canadian Flight Supplement operated by the Kitimat Flying Club. The Airpark boasts a 3000 x 50 ft gravel surface runway.

Northwest Regional Airport (YXT)

Northwest Regional Airport Terrace-Kitimat is a modern, newly renovated and expanded airport offering several flights a day throughout the province.

TAXI

Kitimat Taxi

250-632-2100

Kalum Kabs

250-632-9576

BUS

Public transit buses are operated by BC Transit and run seven days a week on fixed routes throughout Kitimat with connections to regional services.

MARINAS

MK Bay Marina is a full service marina located 10 minutes from Kitimat on the Haisla First Nation territory. MK Bay Marina offers short and long-term moorage, boat launching, truck and trailer parking, full service camping, retail shopping, a coffee shop, and seafood processing. For more information visit mkbaymarina.ca.

Hospital Beach Boat Launch is a free boat launch located just past Rio Tinto on the west side of the channel. This free-launch is provided to the community by Rio Tinto and is on Rio Tinto's property.

Minette Bay Marina is a private marina located 5 minutes from Kitimat towards Kitimaat Village. For more information visit kitimatchamber.ca.

ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION

We may be known for having some of the best fishing on the west coast – but that’s certainly not all there is to do in Kitimat.

ARTS & CULTURE

Kitimat maintains a vibrant and diverse arts and culture scene with public art, exhibitions, concerts, theatre, a pottery studio, and many more cultural programs and experiences. Imaginative residents, modern infrastructure and a strong regional presence of the Haisla First Nation together provide an ideal environment for artistic and cultural endeavors.

THEATRE

Mount Elizabeth Theatre

Address: 1491 Kingfisher Avenue
Phone: 250-632-7887
Mobile: 250-639-6775
Email: metconcerts@gmail.com
Web: metconcerts.com
Facebook: @mountelizabeththeatre

TOURS

Rio Tinto Smelter Tours

Address: 1 Smeltersite Road
Phone: 250-639-8383
Web: riotinto.com

ART GALLERIES

Blackfish Gallery

Address: 650 Raven Crescent
Phone: 250-632-6469

MUSEUMS

Kitimat Museum & Archives

Address: 293 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8950
Email: info@kitimatmuseum.ca
Web: kitimatmuseum.ca
Instagram: @kitimatmuseum
Facebook: @kitimatmuseum

MARKETS

Friday Night Market

Email: info@kitimatmarket.ca
Phone: 250-632-6294

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Kitimat Public Library

Address: 940 Wakashan Avenue
Phone: 250-632-8985
Email: ask@kitimatlibrary.ca
Web: kitimatlibrary.ca
Instagram: @kitimatpubliclibrary
Facebook: Kitimat Public Library Association

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Our location at the head of the Douglas Channel and next to the Kitimat River makes us a sport fisher's paradise with access to salt and freshwater fishing within minutes of downtown. Whether you are fishing the mouth of the Kitimat River, floating in a drift boat, or choose to walk to one of the hot spots on the river bank, the excitement of pulling in the big one always looms.

Hike along the shores of the Douglas Channel, the banks of the Kitimat River, or climb the trail to the crystal clear mountain lakes of Robinson Ridge. Kitimat is situated on the edge of the Great Bear Rainforest and there is plenty of opportunity to observe wildlife in their natural environment. Remember to take your camera!

Parks, Campgrounds & Sports Fields

The Kitimat region is home to coastal parks, protected areas, and heritage conservancies accessible by land. Others are more remote and accessible only by water.

Kitimat boasts park spaces suitable for all members of the family, including:

- Outdoor wading pools and green space throughout the community
- 4 Heritage Walkway Circle Tours to experience the history of this planned community
- Over 45 km of paths that wind through the community
- Skateboard and bike park

- Many playgrounds throughout town
- Haisla Hill Trial

PARKS

ADVENTURE PARKS

There are 22 adventure parks.

CENTENNIAL PARK

Built in 1971 to commemorate the 100th anniversary of British Columbia's entry into Confederation.

COGHLIN PARK

Haisla Boulevard scenic lookout with spectacular views of the Douglas Channel from the manicured gardens of Coghlin Parks.

GIANT SPRUCE PARK

Located on the shores of the Kitimat River floodplain, the remains of a previously registered "largest living Sitka Spruce in B.C." can be found in the park.

HERITAGE PARK

Tribute to many of the different multicultural groups who reside in Kitimat. Located in front of the Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Information Centre.

KULDO DOG PARK

The Kuldo Dog Park is located on Kuldo Boulevard across from Driftwood Street. Please read the Dog Park rules prior to visiting.

KITIMAT SK8 PARK

An outdoor park for those on skateboards, bikes, scooters and rollerblades.

OVIATT BIKE PARK

A newly developed bike park in the Strawberry Meadows area.

Visit the BC Parks website for a comprehensive list of parks in the Kitimat area.

SPORTS FIELDS

Kitimat has five **soccer fields**

- One soccer field located at Riverlodge Recreation Centre
- Four fields at the Bill Rich Soccer Fields

Kitimat has six **baseball diamonds**

- Three at Riverlodge Recreation Centre
- Three at Nechako School

Kitimat has seven **tennis courts**

- Three at Riverlodge Recreation Centre
- Two at Nechako Centre
- Two at Mount Elizabeth Middle Secondary School

To book, call the **Riverlodge Recreation Centre** at 250-632-8970

CAMPGROUNDS

HIRSCH CREEK PARK CAMPGROUND

Phone: 250-632-8955

Season: May 15 to September 15
(weather dependent)

RADLEY PARK CAMPGROUND

Phone: 250-632-8955

Season: May 15 to September 15
(weather dependent)

For more information and to reserve a campsite, visit reserve.campgroundbooking.com



Fishing

Located at the head of the Douglas Channel and beside the Kitimat River, we are a sport fisher's paradise. With some of the best fly-fishing waters, surrounded by pristine wilderness just minutes from downtown, fishing before or after work is even possible. For those craving more adventure, remote fly-in spots offer spectacular scenery and tranquility.

FRESHWATER

Kitimat River has plenty of fish stocks 12 months of the year offering some of the finest steelhead, salmon, and trout fishing in British Columbia!

SALTWATER

Some of the largest halibut on the B.C. coast are found in the protected waters of the Inside Passage. Dungeness crab, snapper, and prawns can be found as well!

HATCHERY

The Kitimat River Fish Hatchery works to enhance our coho, chinook, chum, steelhead, and cutthroat populations.

Phone: 250-639-9888

Web: pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca

Charters, Guides & Eco Tours

Blue Heron Charters

Phone: 250-639-9359 or 250-639-5101

Email: rjeckstein@outlook.com

Web: blueheroncharters.com

Facebook: Blue Heron Charters

DC Fish Charters

Phone: 705-380-1115

Email: info@dcfishcharters.com

Web: dcfishcharters.com

Facebook: DC Charters

Instagram: @DC_fishingcharters

Kitimat Adventures

Phone: 250-639-4277

Email: tjhittel@telus.net

Web: kitimatlodge.com

Facebook & Instagram: @KitimatLodge

Kingfish Westcoast Adventures Ltd.

Phone: 250-639-6431

Toll-free: 1-877-781-4555

Email: info@fishinginkitimat.com

Web: fishinginkitimat.com

Nautical West Sport Fishing

Phone: 250-632-4547

Email: reservations@nauticalwest.com

Web: nauticalwest.com

Facebook: Nautical West Sports Fishing

Instagram: @NauticalWestSportsFishing

North Pacific Transport & Eco-Tours

Phone: 250-639-1000

Email: marcyoun@citywest.ca

Reliable Guide and Charters Ltd.

Phone: 250-632-1275

Email: wakita@telus.net

Web: reliableguideandcharters.com

Slabs Fishing Co

Phone: 250 639 2578 or 250 639 5421

Email: slabsinfo99@gmail.com

Instagram & Facebook: @Slabsfishingco

Northwest BC Jetboat Tours

Phone: (250) 617-5931

Email: info@northernbcjetboattours.ca

Web: northernbcjetboattours.ca

Walking & Hiking

Hike along the shores of the Douglas Channel, the banks of the Kitimat River or climb the trail to the crystal clear mountain lakes of Robinson Ridge.

TRAILS There are hundreds of kilometers of trails to explore in and around Kitimat. Some of the more popular trails include:

Trail Name	Difficulty	Distance	Type	Highlight
Clague Mountain Trail	Hard	8km	One-way	Trail to Clague Mountain with overnight cabins
Coho Flats	Easy	2km	One-way	Trail to the Kitimat River
Fisherman's Trail	Intermediate	3.5km	One-way	Crosses rugged rock terrain with short up and down pitches.
Hirsch Creek Canyon Trail	Easy	400m-4km	One-way	Short 400m walk to the canyon viewpoint or a longer route through forest
Hirsch Creek Park Trail	Easy	1.5km	Loop	Excellent picnic spot and to view a coastal old-growth forest and large trees.
Joe's Trail	Easy	3.5km	One-way	Runs down the east bank of the Kitimat River to the end of the Lower Dyke Road.
Mount Elizabeth Trail	Hard	10.9km	One-way	Follows along a ridge and then drops into a saddle before final summit climb.
North Cove Trail	Intermediate	3.2km	One-way	Descends through old cut blocks and old-growth forests.
North Hirsch Creek Trail	Easy	1.5km	One-way	Follows the old road/ATV trail up the north side of the creek and to the logging bridge.
Pine Creek Trail	Intermediate	1-2km	Loop	Upper and lower loops are 1km
South Hirsch Creek Trail	Easy	2km	One-way	Trail that follows the south side of Hirsch Creek

SITES WITH SIGHTS

MOORE CREEK FALLS

Located across from Rio Tinto's BC Works main office building, Moore Creek Falls is a photographer's delight. Climb the staircase carved into the hillside, and the rushing sound of snowmelt water will lead you to the falls.

HOSPITAL BEACH

Hospital Beach (the original site of Kitimat's first hospital) is located just past Rio Tinto's BC Works smelter. It is a popular picnic grounds and gathering spot for visitors and locals during the summer months with views of the Douglas Channel. At low tide, you can explore the shore for seashells and other small sea creatures.



Mountain Biking

OVIATT BIKE PARK

Address: 106 Blackberry Street
Facebook: Oviatt Bike Park

MECA BIKE TRAIL

Facebook: Mount Elizabeth Cycling Association

Kayaking

Kayakers who venture out into the Douglas Channel are rewarded with stunning scenery, some wonderful beaches, incredible rock formations, and the chance to see wildlife, including whales, on occasion. Rent a kayak from our Visitor Centre.

Golf

Kitimat is home to a picturesque 18 hole golf course meandering through the forest, and a clubhouse where you can finish off the day with a frosty pint on the outdoor patio.

HIRSCH CREEK GOLF & WINTER CLUB

Address: 2000 Kingfisher Ave
Phone: Pro Shop 250-632-4653 |
Lounge 250-632-4242
Web: hirschcreekclub.ca

Winter Activities

Imagine a morning of cross country skiing with the sunrise following you down trails, and an afternoon of sledding to cabins on snow covered mountains. From Kitimat you also have easy access to downhill and backcountry skiing options.

SKIING & SNOWBOARDING

Downhill and backcountry skiing, along with snowboarding and nordic skiing, are loved in the area, and we have access to two world class ski hills near Kitimat.

SHAMES MOUNTAIN

Address: 4805 BC-16, Terrace, BC
Phone: 250 635 3773
Email: shamesmountain@citywest.ca
Web: mymountaincoop.ca/shames-mountain
Facebook: Shames Mountain
Instagram: @shamesmountain

HUDSON BAY MOUNTAIN RESORT

Address: 1181 Main Street
PO Box 492 Smithers, BC
Phone: 250-847-2058
Toll-free: 1-866-575-4669
Email: info@hudsonbaymountain.com
Web: hudsonbaymountain.ca
Facebook & Instagram: @hudsonbaymountain
Twitter: @HudsonBayMtn
YouTube: Hudson Bay Mountain

SNOW VALLEY NORDIC SKI CLUB

Facebook: Onion Lake Ski Trails
(Snow Valley Nordic Ski Club)
Email: snowvalleynordic@gmail.com
Web: snowvalleynordics.com

SNOWMOBILING

KITIMAT SNOWMOBILE CLUB

Email: kitsnowhike@gmail.com

Facebook: Kitimat Snowmobile and Hikers Club

SNOWSHOEING

Snowshoe on Clague Mountain Trail and stay overnight at the backcountry cabin with epic views of Kitimat Valley. There are routes for everyone, from novice to more experienced.

CURLING

The Hirsch Creek Golf and Winter Club has four curling sheets and hosts a variety of league nights, open times, and bonspiels for the public to attend.

For more info, visit hirschcreekclub.com/curling or contact the club at 250-632-4242 or 250 632 4653.



INDOOR ACTIVITIES

AQUATIC CENTRE

SAM LINDSAY AQUATIC CENTRE

The District of Kitimat owns and operates Sam Lindsay Aquatic Centre – a community swimming and leisure pool complex attached to Tamitik Arena and one of the best pools in Northwest BC.

Features:

- 25 m six lane pool
- Shallow tank
- Sauna (extra spacious)
- Hot tub
- Family change rooms
- Water park toys
- Lazy river
- Water slide
- Kiddies pool
- Leisure pool
- Two squash courts
- Racquetball court
- Strength training room

Address: 396 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-8955

Email: recreation@kitimat.ca

RECREATION CENTRE

RIVERLODGE RECREATION CENTRE

Riverlodge is Kitimat's centre for recreation programs, including fitness and sports classes, youth and preschool programs, workshops and special events.

Features:

- Activity Room: 99-person capacity
- High-speed wireless internet
- Community Room: 350-person capacity
- Gymnasium: 690-person capacity
- Kitchen facilities
- Kitimat Senior Centre
- Kitimat Youth Centre
- Pre-kindergarten room
- Pottery studio
- Rock wall
- Saunas: male and female
- Softball fields
- Soccer field
- Tennis courts
- Weight room
- Cardio training room
- Equipment rentals

Address: 654 Columbia Avenue **Phone:** 250-632-8970

ICE ARENAS

Kitimat boasts two ice rinks that collectively extend the ice season to nine months. Available for user groups or ad-hoc renters generally from the middle of August until mid to late April. Several arena programs are available between the two facilities.

TAMITIK ICE ARENA

Features:

- First aid room
- Five dressing rooms (four with showers)
- Heated seating areas
- Meeting rooms
- Press box
- Referee room (with shower)
- Skate sharpening service
- Two concessions
- Two sets of public washrooms
- Dry floor available for summer season
- Handicapped accessible with viewing area
- Seating capacity for 1977 with standing room for 400 more
- Walking track, 169 metres

Address: 396 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8955

KITIMAT ICE RINK (KIR)

Features:

- Four dressing rooms (three with showers)
- Female dressing room with shower
- Heated seating area
- Public washrooms
- Referee room with shower
- Warm room
- Building and viewing area accessible to those with disabilities
- Seating capacity is 600 with standing room for 200 more

Address: 400 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8955

GYMS & STUDIOS

GYMS

Onyx Peak Performance Ltd.

193 Nechako Centre—24hr access

Phone: 250-632-7737

Email: kitimatfitnessgym@gmail.com

Facebook: Kitimat Fitness Gym

Instagram: @kitimatfitnessgym

Pace Yourself Wellness Centre

Address: 334 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-5239

Web: paceyourselfwellness.ca

Facebook: Paceyourself Wellness Center

STUDIOS

Dance Kitimat Studio

Email: dancekitimat@hotmail.com

Facebook: Dance Kitimat Studio Inc.

Instagram: @dance_kitimat_studio

Koi Yoga Studio

Phone: 250-279-9090

Instagram: @koi_yogastudio

Vida Studio

Address: 5-528 Mountainview Square

Web: vidastudiokitimat.com

Facebook: Vida Studio Kitimat

Instagram: @vidastudiokitimat

Eat & Drink

RESTAURANTS & PUBS

Blueroom Tavern

650 Kuldo Boulevard

Phone: 778-631-2824

Chalet Restaurant

852 Tsimshian Boulevard

Phone: 250-632-2662

Chilly & Dancer Pub

874 Tsimshian Boulevard

Phone: 250-632-6920

Chop Suey Kitchen

426 Enterprise Avenue

Phone: 250-632-6666

Fortune Kitchen

410 Enterprise Avenue

Phone: 250-632-3828

Mr. Mikes Steakhouse Casual

525 Mountainview Square

Phone: 778-631-2391

The Office Bistro

406 Enterprise Ave

Phone: 250-639-2038

Pedro's Grill

342 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-2199

Pizzarama Pizzeria

171 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-639-9241

Ranus Kitchen

1442 Nalabila Blvd

Phone: 250-407-2619

Rosario's Restaurant

607 Legion Road

Phone: 250-632-4980

rosarios.ca

Sushi J

248 City Centre

Phone: 250-639-1134

Two Peaks Brewing

578 Mountainview Square

twopeaksbrewery.ca

The Creek Bar & Grill

2000 Kingfisher Avenue

Phone: 250-632-4242

Trishan Restaurant

434 Enterprise Ave

Phone: 778-631-6000

Wee Geordies Pub

178 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-632-4277

Shopping & Services

Kitimat has a variety of shopping and modern service options to meet your daily needs. Kitimat has key commercial centres including City Centre, Mountainview Square, and Nechako Centre.

Kitimat has a large selection of unique and independent businesses many of which are featured on the Kitimat Bound website kitimatbound.ca

CITY CENTRE

City Centre, including the City Centre Mall, is one of Kitimat's popular meeting, shopping and public spaces. Kitimat's city centre provides services from independent retail outlets, banks, restaurants, professional and municipal office spaces.

MOUNTAINVIEW SQUARE

Mountainview Square is located right next to Kitimat's city centre and offers a variety of business services such as professional services, food and beverage, and retail.

NECHAKO CENTRE

Nechako Centre is a business centre located in the heart of the Nechako neighbourhood. Nechako Centre offers a variety of services including professional services, food and beverage, and retail.

GROCERY STORES

Kildala Grocery Ltd.

Address: 19 Babine Street
Phone : 250-632-2442

Kyle's NoFrills

Address: 194 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-2576

Save-On-Foods

Address: 535 Mountainview Square
Phone: 250-632-2255

Tony's Specialties

Address: 101 Nechako Centre
Phone: 250-639-9569

BANKING

CIBC

Address: 291 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8610

Envision Financial

Address: 954 Wakashan Avenue
Phone: 250-639-4700

RBC Financial Group

Address: 378 City Centre
Phone: 250-639-9281

Scotiabank

Address: 201 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8420

SALON/SPAS

Black Velvet Hair and Beauty Studios

Address: 54 Greyling Ave
Phone: 250-639-6721
FB: Black Velvet Hair and Beauty Studio

Hair Essentials

Address: 105 Nechako Centre
Phone: 250-632-5644
Facebook: Hair Essentials Kitimat

Nechako Barber Shop

Address: 105 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-632-6160

Phoenix Rising Healing

Address: 237 City Centre

Phone: 778-631-2393

Snipz Salon

Address: Suite 211-276 City Centre

Phone: 778-818-0319

Lace Beauty Lounge

Address: 528 Mountainview Square

Phone: 250-632-4373

Tech Hair Design

Address: 101-370 City Centre

Phone: 250-639-0087

Vida Aesthetics Clinic

Address: 5-528 Mountainview Square

Phone Number: 250 279 3030,

Facebook: Vida Aesthetics Clinic

Vitality Spa & Clinic

Address: 360 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-2289

Web: vitalitykitimat.ca

Community Groups & Clubs

Many of our residents contribute their time and energy to provide a variety of programs and services that help make Kitimat a great place to live. There are clubs and groups related to arts and culture, sports, and community services, from youth to senior.

A full list of clubs and groups is available at kitimat.ca under Recreation and Leisure, Clubs and Community Groups.

Important Information

LEISURE GUIDE

The District of Kitimat offers a seasonal Leisure Guide in December, April, and August. You can find the guide at kitimat.ca under Recreation and Leisure → Leisure Guide.

BE BEAR AWARE

B.C. is bear country. Expect to see bears around Kitimat, sometimes moving through the community. Don't feed the bears!

If you see a bear in a residential area:

- Stay calm. Usually the bear is just passing through the area and if no food is available, it will move on.
- Keep away from the bear and warn others to keep away. Bring children and pets indoors.
- To report a conflict with wildlife that threatens public safety, call the conservation officer immediately so that proactive education and conservation efforts can be used.

Preventing Problems with Bears

Local provincial conservation officers estimate that half the calls they receive about nuisance bears are garbage related. Please take responsibility for your bear attractants.

Conservation Officer

Phone: 877-952-7277

More *Bear Aware* info available at wildsafebc.com

FIREWORKS

Fireworks are permitted in Kitimat during select times. Please familiarize yourself with fireworks safety rules.

Purchase dates

Dec. 24–31 | Jun. 22–Jul. 1 | Oct. 24 – Oct. 31

Discharge dates

Dec. 31 | Jul. 1 | Oct. 31

EDUCATION & CHILDCARE

Education available in Kitimat ranges from childcare to post-secondary education.

Schools

There are both public and independent school options in Kitimat from kindergarten to grade 12.

Elementary Schools

KILDALA ELEMENTARY

Public school. K-6. Offers French immersion.

Address: 803 Columbia Avenue

Phone: 250-632-6194

Web: kildala.cmsd.bc.ca

NECHAKO ELEMENTARY

Public school. K-6.

Address: 61 Nightingale Street

Phone: 250-632-2912

Web: nechako.cmsd.bc.ca

Middle & Secondary Schools

KITIMAT CITY HIGH

Alternate school. 9-12.

Address: 1426 Cormorant Avenue

Phone: 250-632-2811

Web: kitimatcityhigh.cmsd.bc.ca

MOUNT ELIZABETH MIDDLE & SECONDARY SCHOOL

Public school. 7-12.

Address: 1491 Kingfisher Avenue

Phone: 250-632-6174

Web: mountelizabeth.cmsd.bc.ca

ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Private school. K-9.

Address: 1750 Nalabila Boulevard

Phone: 250-632-6313

Web: stanthonyschoolkitimat.com

Childcare

Kitimat has an excellent array of childcare facilities with bilingual options. We will also soon be the first community in British Columbia to offer 24-hour childcare to support families employed in shift work.

For a comprehensive list of all childcare facilities in Kitimat, please visit Northern Health's website; on the left side under Community Care Licensing click on Community Care Facilities and then choose Kitimat.

Post Secondary

COAST MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

Accredited post-secondary institution with small class sizes offering health and human services programs; online programs; university credit programs, trades foundation and apprenticeship programs.

Innovative and flexible mobile training available. The closest campus to Kitimat is located in Terrace.

5331 McConnell Ave - Terrace, BC, V8G 4X2

Phone: 250-635-6511

Toll-free: 1-877-277-2288

Email: info@coastmountaincollege.ca

Web: coastmountaincollege.ca

Facebook & Instagram: [@coastmountaincollege](https://www.facebook.com/coastmountaincollege)

Twitter: [@cmtncollege](https://twitter.com/cmtncollege)

YouTube: Coast Mountain College

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

The University of Northern British Columbia offers outstanding undergraduate and graduate learning opportunities and has a campus in Terrace, only a 45 minute drive from Kitimat.

4837 Keith Avenue - Terrace, BC, V8G 1K7

Phone: 250-615-5578

Toll-free: 1-800-697-7388

Email: northwest@unbc.ca

Web: unbc.ca

KITIMAT VALLEY INSTITUTE

Kitimat Valley Institute is a professional development center that provides job placement services as well as efficient training opportunities that meet academic, industry and institutional training needs.

Address: 1352 Alexander Avenue

Phone: 250-639-9199

Email: admin@kves.ca

Web: kves.ca



HEALTH & WELLNESS SERVICES

Kitimat has a range of accessible health and wellness services to serve all its residents.

Hospital & Clinics

Kitimat General Hospital

The Kitimat General Hospital and Health Centre (KGH) is a modern, Level 4 trauma centre providing emergency care and medical services to the community of Kitimat. KGH is managed through Northern Health. Features include:

- 24/7 emergency department
- 22 acute care beds; 2 for maternity
- 36 complex and residential care beds
- Bone density scanning
- Lab
- Occupational therapy
- Observation/seclusion room
- Recovery room
- Recreational therapist
- Rehabilitation-physiotherapy
- Operating rooms
- Ultrasound
- Visiting digital mammography service
- X-ray

920 Lahakas Blvd South
Phone: 250-632-2121
Web: northernhealth.ca

Clinics

PHYSICIANS

City Centre Medical Clinic
Drs. Feenan & Mills
Address: 284 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-6131

Dr. Huang
Address: 570 Mountainview Square
Phone: 250-632-2118

Drs. Kay & Van Schalkwyk
Address: 970 Lahakas Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-8679

Mountainview Medical Clinic
Drs. van der Westhuyzen, Wahl & van Rensburg
Address: 568 Mountainview Square
Phone: 250-632-3135

Anyone who is seeking a family doctor should sign up for the Health Connect Registry:
healthlinkbc.ca/find-care/health-connect-registry

For a comprehensive list of physicians in Kitimat, please check the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia's website.

OPTOMETRISTS

Fusion Eye Care
Address: 558 Mountainview Square
Phone: 250-632-2821
Web: fusioneyedoctors.com



VETERINARIANS

Kitimat Veterinary Hospital

Address: 587 Mountainview Square

Phone: 250-639-2299

Web: kitimatvethospital.ca

DENTISTS

Drs. Gottschling & Stevenson

Address: 201-180 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-632-4641

Web: yourgreatsmiles.ca

Dr. Feldhoff

Address: 302-180 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-639-9303

Dr. Rinquinha

Address: 301-180 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-632-4631

PHYSIOTHERAPISTS, MASSAGE, CHIROPRACTORS & OTHERS

Kitimat General Hospital

Address: 920 Lahakas Boulevard

Phone: 250-632-3181

Pace Yourself Wellness Centre

Address: 334 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-5239

Web: paceyourselfwellness.ca

Knight Chiropractic Inc.

Address: 101-180 Nechako Centre

Phone: 250-632-4773

Vitality Spa & Clinic

Address: 360 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-2289

Web: vitalitykitimat.ca

Mental Health Support Services

There are local programs, services and resources in Kitimat, along with those available through Northern Health and the First Nations Health Authority.

BC 211

BC 211 helps you find information on services for:

- Addiction
- Abuse
- Counselling
- Employment Assistance
- Financial Assistance
- Housing
- Language Classes
- Legal Assistance

Web: bc211.ca

COUNSELLING SUPPORT OPTIONS

Adult Mental Health & Addictions

Address: 920 South Lahakas Blvd
Phone: 250-632-3181

Alcohol & Drug Information & Referral Services (BC-Wide)

Phone: 1-800-663-1441

Horizon House Club of Mental Health

Operated by Northern Health.
Phone: 250-632-7584

Kitimat Victim Services

Address: 888 South Lahakas Blvd
Phone: 250-639-2122

Kitimat Child & Youth Mental Health Intake Clinic (CYMH)

795 South Lahakas Blvd
Phone: 250-632-7256

Kitimat Community Development Centre Society

1515 Kingfisher Ave
Phone: 250-632-3144

Mental Health Family Resource Centre

Operated by British Columbia Schizophrenia Society (BCSS).
Phone: 1-888-888-0029

Tamitik Status of Women

606 Mountainview Square
Phone: 250-632-8787
Email: info@tamitik.ca
Web: tamitik.ca

CRISIS SUPPORT

First Nations Health Authority

Phone: 1-855-550-5454
Web: fnha.ca

Gya'wa'tlaab Healing Centre Society

Tel: 250-639-9817 Fax: 250-639-9815
Email: intake@gyawatlaab.ca

Kids Help Phone

Phone: 1-800-668-6868
Web: kidshelpphone.ca
(Text, Messenger, and Live Chat are available)

Kitimat Food Share Program

Address: 202-276 City Centre
Phone: 250-279-4357

Tamitik Status of Women - Free Store

Address: 350-370 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-8787

Kuu-us Crisis Line Society

For Indigenous people throughout BC
Phone: 1-800-588-8717

Northern BC Crisis Line

Phone: 1-888-562-1214
Web: crisis-centre.ca

WAVAW Crisis Line

For Survivors of Sexual Assault
Phone: 1-877-392-7583
Web: wavaw.ca

Senior Homes & Assisted Living

Kitimat is committed to supporting its seniors and has a variety of services including educational and recreational activities, programs, special events, and programs to help seniors remain independent.

Kitimat 50+ Society Centre

Address: 658 Columbia Avenue
Phone: 250-632-3405 or 250-632-3475
Web: kitimat50society.com

Delta King Place

Address: 701 Mountainview Sq
Phone: 250-632-6535
Web: deltakingplace.ca

Kitimat Community Development Centre Society

Address: 1515 Kingfisher Avenue
Phone: 250-632-3144 ext. 216
Web: kitimatcdc.ca

Mountainview Lodge

Address: 920 Lahakas Blvd S
Phone: 250-632-8357

Pharmacies

Rainforest Wellness Pharmacy

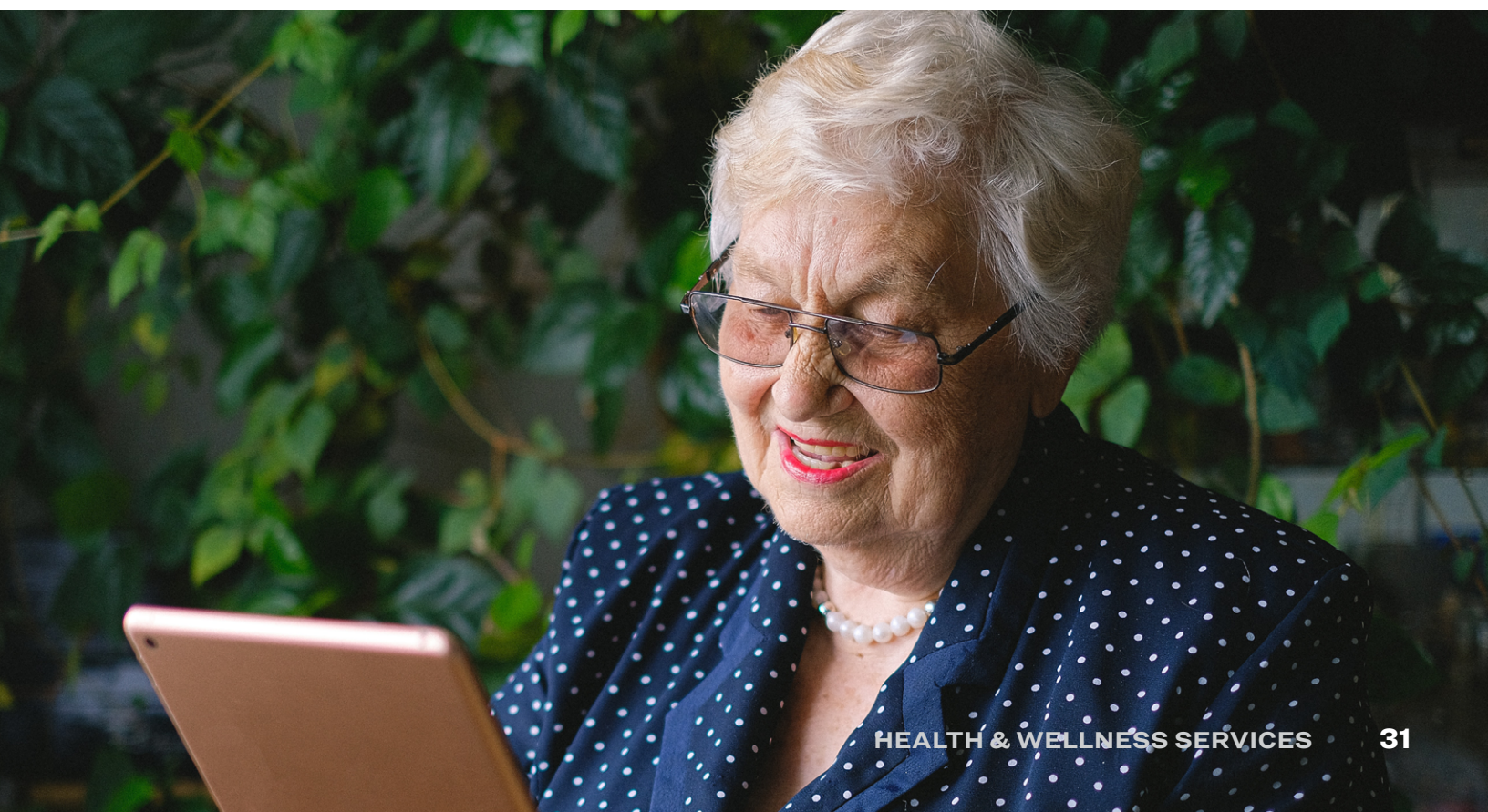
Address: 327 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-2914

Save-On-Foods Pharmacy

Address: 535 Mountainview Sq
Phone: 250-632-2255

Shoppers Drug Mart

Address: 120 City Centre
Phone: 250-632-6177





PUBLIC SERVICES

Emergency Services

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

For all emergencies: dial **911** for assistance from police, fire or ambulance.

Be prepared to provide the following information:

- Address of incident
- Phone number
- Detailed information

Crime Stoppers/Tips
1-800-222-8477

Crisis Line (Northern BC)
1-888-562-1214

1-800-SUICIDE (BC-Wide)
1-800-784-2433

**Dunmore Place Transition House
(Women's Shelter)**
250-632-6070

**Ministry of Children & Family Development
Children Help Line**
1-800-663-9122

Poison Control Centre
1-800-567-8911

Victim Link (multi-lingual)
1-800-563-0808

Sign up for the District's Voyent Alert for local emergency updates: [kitimat.ca/en/city-services/EmergencyNotificationSystem.aspx](https://www.kitimat.ca/en/city-services/EmergencyNotificationSystem.aspx)

FIRE & AMBULANCE

Phone: 250-632-8940 (Non-emergency calls)

SEARCH & RESCUE

Kitimat Land Search & Rescue

Phone: 250-632-8945

Facebook: Kitimat Search and Rescue

Kitimat Marine Search & Rescue

Phone: 250 639 5158

Email: rcmsar63kitimat@gmail.com

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM

The District of Kitimat uses Voyent Alert which is a multi-purpose communications service. The primary purpose is to provide emergency communications information but users can now also register to receive non-emergency notifications from the District of Kitimat. For more information or to register visit kitimat.ca

Social Supports

HOUSING SUBSIDIES & FUNDS

The District of Kitimat has a comprehensive list of affordable housing funds and subsidies for Kitimat residents. Learn more at kitimat.ca.

TEMPORARY HOUSING OPTIONS

Kitimat's shelter is operated by the Kitimat Community Development Centre Society.

Cold Weather Shelter (Douglas Place)

Address: 480 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-3144

COMMUNITY GARDEN

Kitimat Community Garden

Address: 1332 Lahakas Boulevard North

Phone: 250-632-9107

FOOD BANK

Kitimat Food Bank

Address: 230 City Centre

Phone: 250-632-6611

Other Public Services



ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal control services in Kitimat are under contract to the Kitimat Community Humane Society (KCHS). KCHS responds to and provides shelter to animals in distress.

Kitimat Community Humane Society

Address: 1000 Eurocan Way

Phone: 250-632-7373

SNOW REMOVAL

The District of Kitimat's Public Works Department is responsible for keeping main roads clear of snow and clears residential streets on a daily basis. Pedestrian walkways and sidewalks are also cleared frequently. Winter rainfall helps keep roads bare and reduces snowfall accumulation on the ground.

Garbage & Recycling

CURBSIDE COLLECTION

The District of Kitimat provides curbside garbage, yard waste, and recycling collection in the community. For more information look under Our Community/Garbage and Recycling at kitimat.ca



DISPOSAL

Landfill

Kitimat has a landfill that is pay-as-you-use for non-commercial, residential waste. For more information and for landfill hours visit kitimat.ca/en/our-community/landfill.aspx

Disposal Segregation

Refuse must be segregated and deposited in specific locations as shown by the directional signs at the site. *Not accepted at the site:*

- Clean cardboard
- Anti-freeze solvents
- Paint
- Friable asbestos
- Used motor oil

MOTOR OIL DISPOSAL

Kal Tire

Address: 236 Enterprise Avenue
Phone: 250-632-2151

Snow Valley Ford Sales

Address: 405 Enterprise Avenue
Phone: 250-632-6181

For more information, contact the recycling hotline at 1-800-667-4321.

RECYCLING CENTRES

Kitimat Understanding The Environment (KUTE) (Public recycling centre)

KUTE accepts the following materials:

- Paper and cardboard
- Styrofoam
- Electronics
- Small appliances and power tools
- Paint
- Light bulbs and fixtures
- Batteries and cell phones
- Smoke and CO2 alarms

Address: 314 Railway Avenue
Phone: 250-632-6633

Kitimat Bottle Depot (public recycling centre)

Kitimat Bottle Depot is the community's primary location to recycle beverage containers and many other products. For more information on hours and accepted materials visit return-it.ca.
Address: 428 Enterprise Avenue
Phone: 250-632-3377

PLACES OF WORSHIP

Kitimat has several places of worship and faith based communities available. For more information visit *Places of Worship* at kitimat.ca

CHURCHES

Christ Church Anglican

Address: 1739 Gyrfalcon Avenue
Phone: 250-632-7812

Christ the King Catholic Church

Address: 1760 Nalabila Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-2215

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints

Address: 823 Kuldo Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-4720

First Baptist Church

Address: 840 Columbia Avenue
Phone: 250-632-6014

Haisla United Church

Address: 137 Owekeno St - Kitamaat Village
Phone: 250-632-2555

Kitimat First United Church

Address: 1180 Kingfisher Avenue
Phone: 250-632-7149

Kitimat Mountain View Alliance Church

Address: 1332 Lahakas Boulevard North
Phone: 250-632-4658

Kitimat Pentecostal Fellowship

Address: 1340 Kingfisher Avenue
Phone: 250-632-5623

Kitimat Presbyterian Church

Address: 1274 Nalabila Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-2044

Pacific Cornerstone Baptist Church

Address: 2109 Forest Avenue
(downstairs in the Chamber of Commerce)
Phone: 250-639-7711

Redeemer Lutheran Church

Address: 1474 Nalabila Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-6962

OTHER FAITH-BASED COMMUNITIES

Kitimat Sikh Society

Address: 1600 Nalabila Boulevard
Phone: 250-632-4350

Kitimat Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness

Address: 134 Baxter Avenue
Phone: 250-632-3573

Kitimat Islamic Center

Address: 1274 Nalabila Blvd
Phone: 403-354-2246

LIFE IN NORTHWEST BC

A region that offers everything you need

Kitimat has countless attractions and amenities making it an ideal place to call home. Adding to the appeal of the community is the region in which it is situated. Northwest BC is a spectacular backdrop for you to build the next phase in your life's adventure. The region is truly remarkable in its synergistic offerings of vast pristine wilderness and desirable modern-day amenities.

Northwest BC Highlights

HEALTHCARE

- Four hospitals in the region and a number of health and wellness centres in smaller communities with physicians to provide basic and follow-up care.
- Over 26 resident and visiting specialists within the region.
- New, state of the art hospital in Terrace that includes a trauma center.
- Oncology, dialysis & MRI services in place.

NATURE & OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

- Over 10 million hectares of some of the most picturesque and sublime nature vistas in the province filled with mountains, ocean, rivers and lakes.
- World-class skiing and snowboarding, hiking, fishing, camping, kayaking, mountain biking and plenty of clubs and community groups for all adventure enthusiasts.

EDUCATION

- University of Northern British Columbia (UNBC) has specialized satellite campuses and facilities throughout the region.
- Coast Mountain College (formerly Northwest Community College) offers a different selection of learning opportunities, including many trade options.
- A mix of public, private and religious schools from elementary to high school, including full French immersion, depending on the community.

AMENITIES

- Northwest Regional Airport Terrace-Kitimat is a modern, newly renovated and expanded airport offering several flights a day throughout the province
- High-speed internet is becoming standard throughout the region. Advocacy work is underway to ensure broadband and cellular service is available to all residents and businesses of the region.

KEY Northwest BC CITIES THAT ARE CLOSE TO KITIMAT

Terrace

Snapshot: Located along the mighty Skeena River, the second largest river in British Columbia, Terrace is surrounded by mountain peaks, rivers, lakes, and wildlife.

Popular Activities: Shopping, hiking, single-track mountain biking, fishing, downhill and backcountry skiing, snowmobiling, and Riverboat Days.

Amenities: Airport, dining and restaurant options, a wide range of retail shopping options, farmers market, art galleries, and Shames Mountain Resort.

Dist. from Kitimat 60 km = 45 min drive

Prince Rupert

Snapshot: A coastal port city nestled into a mountain, surrounded by the Great Bear Rainforest, and just a boat ride away from where you can spot grizzly bears, wolves, orcas and humpbacks.

Popular Activities: Ocean fishing, boating and seaplane tours, wildlife viewing, kayaking, hiking, arts and culture tours, and Sea Fest.

Amenities: Port, marinas, airport, dining and restaurant options, waterfront boardwalk with shopping, art galleries, and the Museum of Northern BC.

Dist. from Kitimat 205 km = 2h 15 min drive

The Hazeltons

Snapshot: A cluster of three unique communities situated in the culturally significant Kispiox Valley, the Hazeltons offer a fascinating mix of diverse historical cultures and stunning mountain landscapes.

Popular Activities: First Nations historical sites, fishing, hiking, single-track mountain biking, snowmobiling, hunting, agriculture tours, sightseeing, and the Kispiox Music Festival.

Amenities: 'Ksan historical village, Hagwilget suspension bridge, Kispiox totem poles, historic downtown, and farmers market.

Dist. from Kitimat 200 km = 2h 15 min drive

Smithers

Snapshot: Located at the base of stunning Hudson Bay Mountain, Smithers offers outstanding year-round outdoor recreational pursuits coupled with cultural offerings.

Popular Activities: Fishing and hunting, downhill, backcountry, and cross-country skiing, mountain biking, golfing, snowmobiling, canoeing and kayaking, shopping, and live music.

Amenities: Merchant focused downtown, dining and restaurant options, airport, art galleries, museum, farmer's market, Hudson's Bay Mountain Resort, Hankin-Evelyn Backcountry Ski Area.

Dist. from Kitimat 260 km = 2h 45 min drive

LEARN MORE AT LIVENORTHWESTBC.CA

Noteable Regional Events & Celebrations

Throughout the year, you can experience various events and celebrations that happen in Northwest BC. The most popular are:



RAIL JAM

ABOUT: This family event takes place at the Hirsch Creek Golf & Winter Club and features snowboarding, skiing, bonfires, music and more.
WHERE: Kitimat
WHEN: January or February (based on snow)
MORE INFO: hirschcreekclub.com

ALL NATIVE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

ABOUT: Annual tournament that brings players from across the province and has 4 divisions
WHERE: Prince Rupert
WHEN: February
MORE INFO: anbt.ca

CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

ABOUT: Children's Festival is a fun filled day full of activities for the whole family to enjoy. Some of the key activities offered are: live performances, storytelling, wall climbing and more.
WHERE: Prince Rupert
WHEN: March
MORE INFO: prspecialevents.com

KITAMAAT OPEN BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

ABOUT: 17 year annual basketball tournament organized by the DOK and HNC with donations from community businesses;
WHERE: Kitamaat Village, Kitimat
WHEN: April
MORE INFO: haisla.ca

SPRING CRAFT FAIR

ABOUT: The annual spring craft fair provide a venue for all home-based businesses, including artisans and crafters, to promote and sell their merchandise.
WHERE: Kitimat
WHEN: April
MORE INFO: kitimat.ca

PACIFIC NORTHWEST MUSIC FESTIVAL

ABOUT: This 17-day festival offers an opportunity to watch music and dance performances from talented locals.
WHERE: Terrace
WHEN: April & May
MORE INFO: pnmf.ca

SEAFEST

ABOUT: Seafest is Prince Rupert's largest festival held annually since 1978. Three days packed with events, activities, food booths, and entertainment in downtown and on the waterfront.
WHERE: Prince Rupert
WHEN: Second weekend of June
MORE INFO: prspecialevents.com

CANADA DAY CELEBRATIONS

ABOUT: You can find various activities on Canada Day, ranging from live music, games, multicultural food vendors, scavenger hunt, curbside water fight and more.

WHERE: Kitimat

WHEN: July 1, Canada Day

MORE INFO: kitimat.ca

RIVERBOAT DAYS

ABOUT: Riverboat Days is the largest community festival in Northwest BC and offers huge variety, from interpretive walks, to sports tournaments, to live music.

WHERE: Terrace

WHEN: August long weekend

MORE INFO: riverboatdays.ca

HARLEY RIDERS ANNUAL TOY RUN

ABOUT: Bikers from all along Highway 16 get together to ride along the roads of Prince Rupert and Port Edward. The event raises money, food and toys for the Salvation Army.

WHERE: Prince Rupert

WHEN: September

MORE INFO: Prince Rupert Harley Riders (Facebook group)

WINTER CRAFT FAIR

ABOUT: The annual winter craft fair provide a venue for all home-based businesses, including artisans and crafters, to promote and sell their merchandise.

WHERE: Kitimat **WHEN:** November

MORE INFO: kitimat.ca

KITIMAT FISH DERBY

ABOUT: This annual event brings fishing enthusiasts in from all over Northwest BC. There are adult and youth categories with thousands of dollars in cash and prizes.

WHERE: Kitimat

WHEN: Labour Day weekend

MORE INFO: kitimatchamber.ca

WINTERFEST

ABOUT: Winterfest is a two day festival where you can enjoy various activities such as live music, Santa Claus parade, arts and crafts fair, skating and more.

WHERE: Prince Rupert

WHEN: First weekend of December

MORE INFO: prspecialevents.com



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Keep it Local Kitimat

Keep it Local Kitimat is a program open to all local businesses to promote economic benefits of local spending for residents and businesses.

Learn more about the program at bcbuylocal.com/communities/kitimat

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