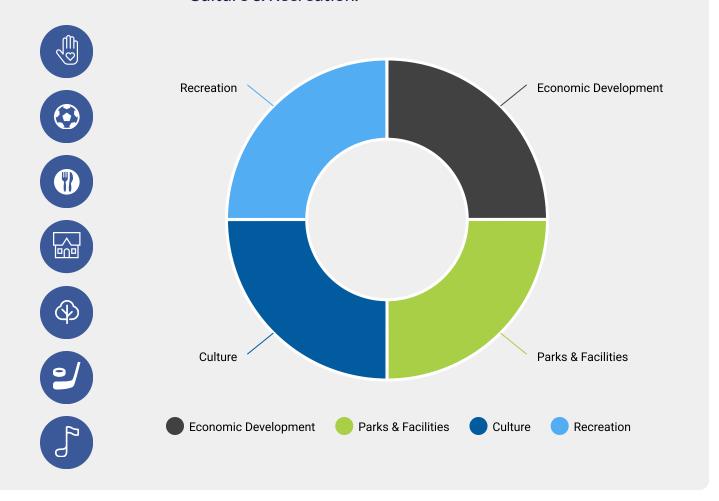
2024 Annual Report



Summary

This report will cover key highlights for the year of 2024 in the following areas: Business Licensing, Facilities, Parks, Culture & Recreation.



Economic Development

Business Licensing

Short Term Vacation Rentals	2024
STVR Opened	62
STVR Closed	25
Total Active STVR's	135

In 2024, the District of Lake Country saw a total of **176 new accounts opened** and **138 accounts closed**. Of these, 135 were active short-term vacation rentals, with 62 new short-term vacation rentals opened and 25 closed during the year.



Outstanding Account Fees Owned



As of 2024, there were outstanding charges including \$200.00 in late fees (x4) and \$487.50 in outstanding fees.



2024

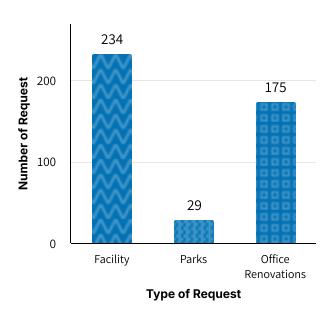
Business Licenses	2024
Active	932

In 2024, a total of **932 business licenses** were active in the District of Lake Country.



Parks & Facilities

External & Internal Service Requests

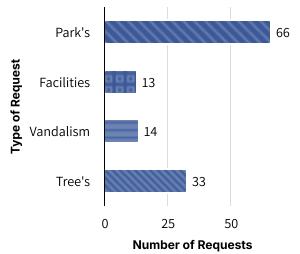




438 internal service requests we're addressed in 2024. Internal requests include, but are not limited to; building repairs, renovations and maintenance within the district.



External Service Requests



2024 had a total of **126 external service requests** with our main focus on parks, facility maintenance, vandalism and dangerous tree's.



FAQ

Type of Requests	Definition
Park Requests	Mowing, maintenance, litter, grooming trails
Facility Requests	Building maintenance & repairs.
Vandalism Requests	Removal of park & property defacement.
Tree Requests	Hazardous Tree Assessments & removal

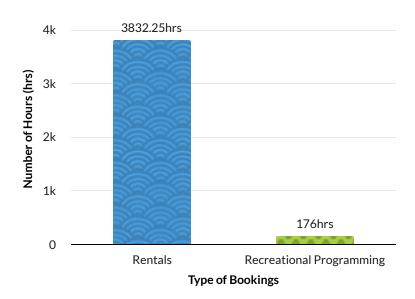


Arena, Parks & Fields



Arena

In 2024, the Winfield Arena offered a total of **176 hours** of recreational programming, including Public Skating, Shinny, Stick & Puck, Family Pond Hockey, & more. Additionally, **3,832.25 hours** were allocated to private rentals, accommodating hockey, figure skating, ringette, and other exclusive bookings.





Field Rentals

Year	Rentals
2024	655

In 2024, the District of Lake Country facilitated a total of 655 field rentals, supporting a variety of recreational and sporting activities. These rentals included use by local youth and adult groups, as well as some bookings from organizations across the region.



Events

Year	Events
2024	31

The district hosted a total of **31 events** in 2024, which included a wide variety of activities ranging from sporting tournaments and annual community celebrations to smaller gatherings such as birthday parties and workplace events.

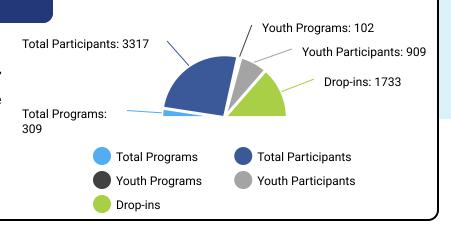


RECREATION



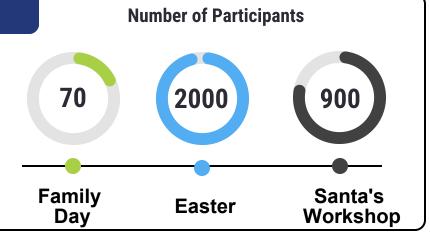
Recreational Programming

In 2024, the District of Lake Country offered a total of **309 programs**, with **3,317 participants**. Of these, 102 programs were focused on youth (up to 15 years old), engaging 909 youth participants. Additionally, there were 1,733 total drop-in participants across various programs.



Community Events

The Recreation Department hosted three major events in 2024. **Family Day** saw 70 participants, the **Easter** Event drew over 2,000 attendees, including 600 children, and **Santa's Workshop** engaged 900 participants. These events fostered community connection and celebration.



2024 Summary

The District of Lake Country offered diverse recreation programs for all ages, including sports, fitness, arts, and leisure activities in 2024. Drop-in sessions remained popular, and youth programs provided opportunities in various sports and camps.

The District also hosted free community events, bringing families together for Family Day, the Easter Event, and Santa's Workshop, fostering connection and celebration. These programs and events enriched community engagement and active lifestyles throughout the year.

CULTURE



Creekside Theatre Tickets



7584

(2024) Creekside Theatre sold 7584 tickets.

Lake Country buyers reached a record 20%, Kelowna decreased to 43%, and Vernon doubled to 14%. With a growing regional audience, Creekside is less reliant on Kelowna. In 2025, efforts will focus on expanding sales in West Kelowna to further diversify the customer base.

Volunteer Hours

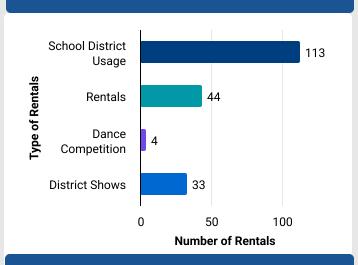


1043 hrs

(2024) Creekside Theatre offered 1043 hrs of volunteer work.

In 2024, 1043 **volunteer hours** were contributed to the Creekside Theatre. The theatre relies on volunteers for venue operations and events, with each show typically requiring 6 volunteers to assist with tasks such as setup, guest services, and concessions, ensuring smooth event execution.

Creekside Rental/Uses - 2024



The Creekside Theatre hosted 113 School District events, including 44 rentals, 4 dance competitions, and 33 district shows, showcasing its diverse use by the community.

Top 3 Sources Driving Ticket Sales

2024

1 Facebook

24.33%

2 Castanet

12.69%

3 Email

8.76%

Ticket sales were mainly driven by Facebook, Castanet, and email marketing, with Facebook being the primary platform for ticket buyers.

2024 Summary

Occupational Health and Safety

Safety By The Numbers - Year to Date

	2023 YTD	2024 YTD
Hazard Assessments	370	681
Safety Meetings	180	177
Inspections	238	169
Near Misses	23	11
Corrective Actions	96	171
Lost Time Injuries	1	2
Medical Aid Injuries	4	3
First Aid Injuries	8	7
Workplace Violence	4	2
WorkSafeBC Inspections	2	6

Awards & Certificate of Recognition (COR) Audit



The District of Lake Country was successful in achieving their **COR Certification** in 2024. With an overall score of 97% on the audit of the Safety Management System, this was a huge success.

Additionally, for the fourth year in a row, the District of Lake Country has received the award for **Organizational Safety Excellence** from the BC Municipal Safety Association. The award recognizes local governments for activities that improve experience rating, and ultimately reducing injuries, illness, disease and fatalities.

Also in 2024, OHS Specialist, Sarah Goodwin received the **2024 Occupational Health & Safety Employee of the Year Award**. The BCMSA recognizes a local government individual who has demonstrated an outstanding achievement in the field of Occupational health and safety.

Congratulations to District staff on the recognition of their continued dedication and efforts to provide a strong culture of safety at work.

2024 Summary

Human Resources

High retention reduces lost knowledge, hiring expenses, and missed revenue opportunities. The **Employee Retention Rate** and **Employee Turnover Rate** represent different aspects of the ability to nurture and maintain a workforce.



Employee Retention Rate

	2023 YTD	2024 YTD
Headcount - beginning of year (average)	95	96
Headcount - end of year (average)	91	94
Employee Retention Rate	85.26%	91.67%



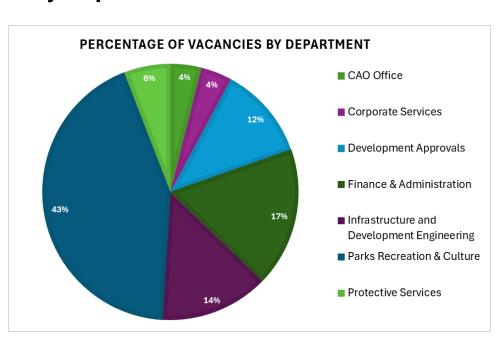
Employee Turnover Rate

	2023 YTD	2024 YTD
Employee Turnover Rate	14.58%	8.33%



2024 Recruitment by Department

With over **1,226** applications received in 2024, The District of Lake Country is a highly sought-after employer in the Central Okanagan.



Infrastructure & Development Engineering



2024 Summary

Public Works



Life. The Okanagan Way.







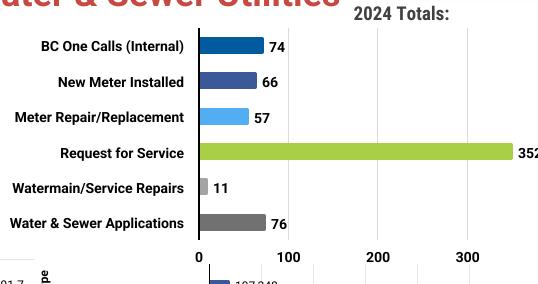
2024 WRAP-UP

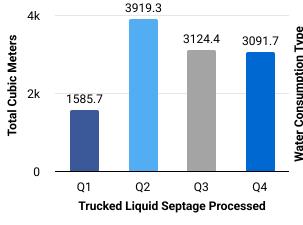
6.5 KMS OF ROADS PAVED1178 CATCH BASINS CLEANED106 KMS OF ROAD LINES PAINTED77 STREETLIGHTS REPAIRED

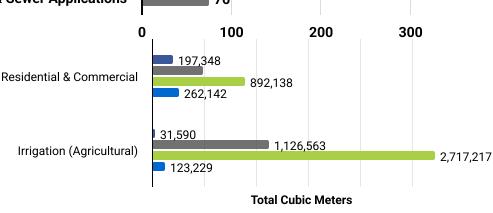


Water & Sewer Utilities





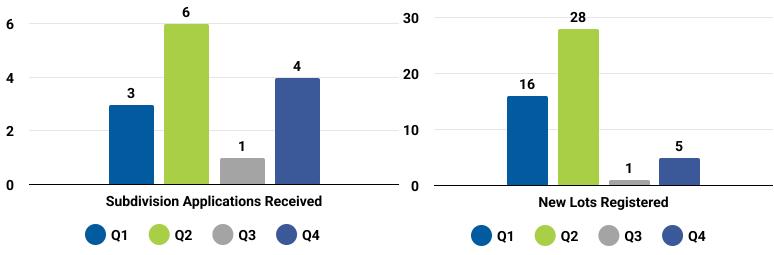




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Development Engineering





Capital Program

2024 Infrastructure Expenses







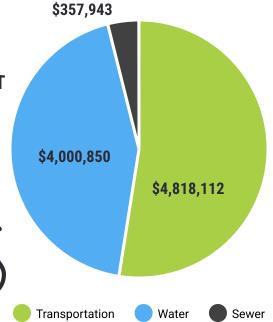
Beaver Lake Intake Phase 1
Coffer Dam Construction - Coffer
Dam completed and siphon
operating



Pretty Rd Improvements Construction - Road and mobility improvements and watermain upsize



Vernon Creek Intake Screens Installation - Self cleaning screens installed for safer and more efficient operations



2024 Featured Partnership

The District of Lake Country and BC Hydro partnered to construct a 350kW EV charging hub at the north end of Pelmewash Parkway. It features BC Hydro's most powerful and fastest charger to date!



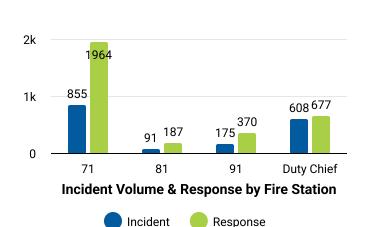
City of Kelowna Treated Effluent Connection, Bond Rd Mainline Valve Replacement, Interim and Priority Pavement Renewal Program, Lodge Rd Design

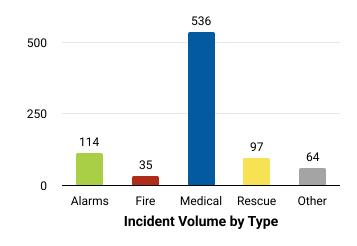
Lake Country Fire Department 2024 - Emergency Response Summary

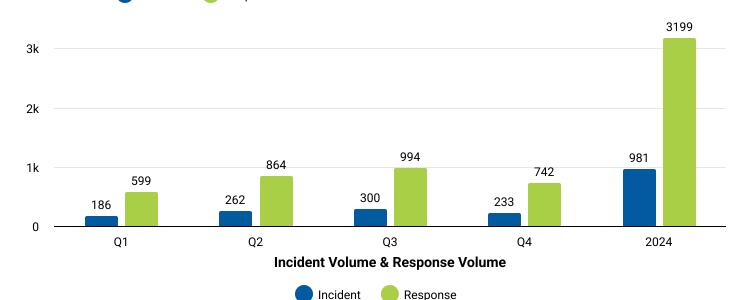


Emergency Services For Residents & Businesses
On-Duty 24/7/365
50+ Paid-On-Call Firefighters
6+ Career Staff
3 Fire Stations
12 Fire Apparatus

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10	2	23 Provincial Fire Investigations	175
Critical Lifesaving Medical Interventions	Civilian Fire Related Injuries	Property Saved \$11,839,982 Property Lost \$2,436,818	Scheduled Firefighter Training Events









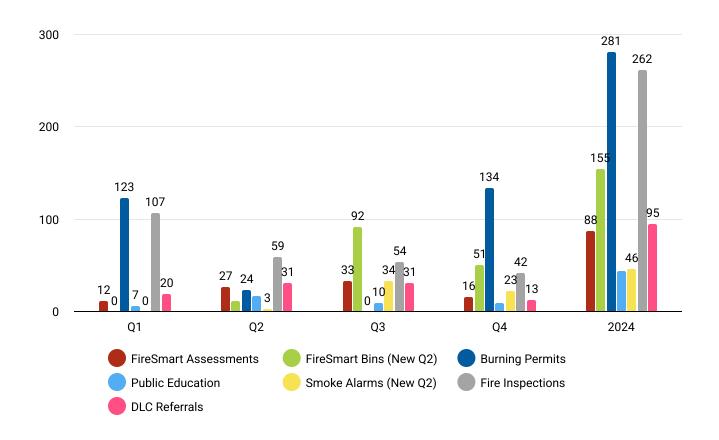




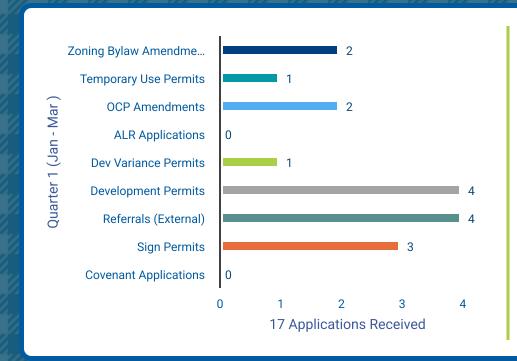
Lake Country FireSmart Recycling Bin Pilot Program

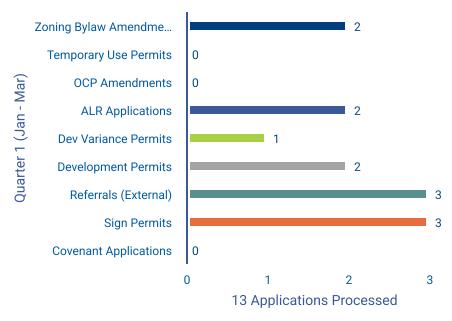
4 Strategically Located Recycling Bins deployed throughout the Community on District Property to Support Residents

4 Neighborhood Recycling Bins Deployed for Special Projects to Support FireSmart BC Community Champions

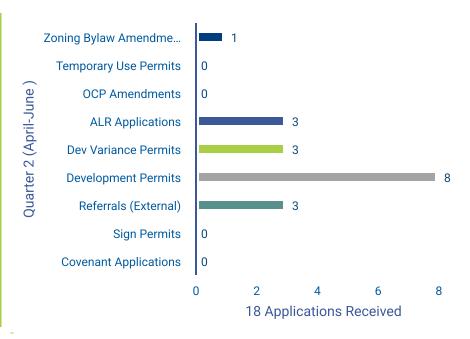


2024 Planning Applications Summary

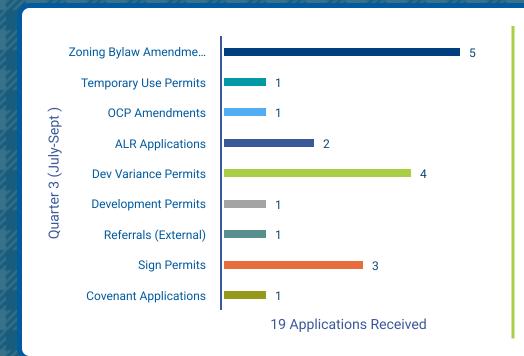


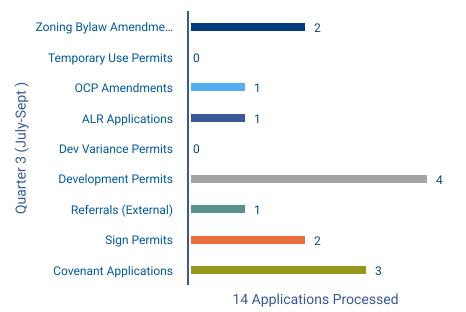


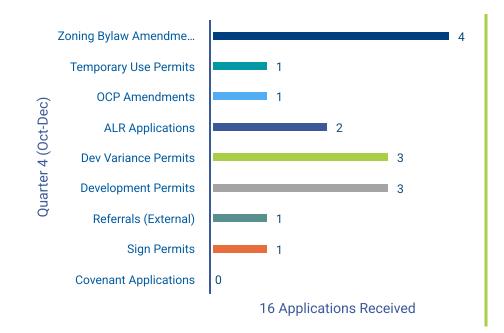


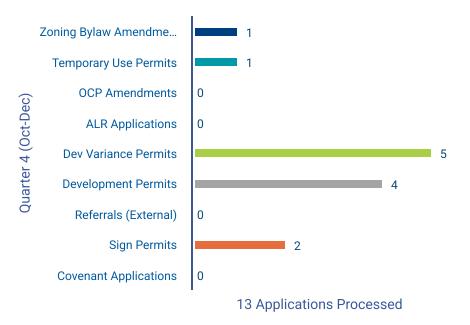


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