# Penticton



# 2019 BUDGET

## **Purpose**

Travel Penticton is a Destination Marketing Organization (DMO), charged with the task of providing external marketing and awareness to potential travelers on a regional, provincial, national and international level.

Travel Penticton promotes a collaborative funding model offering a balanced approach to Tourism Marketing utilizing:

- Print
- Digital & Social Media Platforms
- Media Development & Leveraging
- Event Support
- Consumer Direct Shows
- Partnerships with Local Events, Facilities and Attractions

Travel Penticton is the FIRST FACE for promotion of Penticton externally at shows, events, conventions & marketplaces.

## **Definitions**

- MRDT Municipal Regional District Tax
- DMO Destination Marketing Organization
- **TOTA** Thompson Okanagan Tourism Association Regional DMO
- BCHA British Columbia Hotel Association
- TIABC Tourism Industry Association of BC
- DBC Destination British Columbia
- KPI's Key Performance Indicators for Measurement
- Analytics Measurement of Digital & Social Media Performance
- Conversion Defined by either direct promotion > \$\$ or by engagement of followers on social media



## **2018 Challenges**

- High Water, Fire, Smoke
- July Hwy 97
   Summerland/Peachland fire
- Drifting smoke from external fires near
   Keremeos & Area
- Constant media coverage on 'Flooding" & "Wildfires'
- BC 'State of Emergency'
- Repairing Public Perception over the short, medium & long term
- <u>Maintain</u> Room Night Levels & Visitation



BC Wildfires 2018: Flights cancelled as smoke chokes airports

CBC.ca - Aug. 20, 2018

Kelowna International Airport, Penticton Regional Airport and the West Kootenay Airport in Castlegar all reported several flights cancelled by  $\dots$ 

Smoky conditions, poor visibility affect BC-bound flights Globalnews.ca - Aug. 20, 2018

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#### UPDATE: Okanagan air quality index poor due to smoke

Pentiction Western News - Aug. 13, 2018

According to Environment Canada, during a wildfire, smoke conditions can change quickly over short distances and can vary considerably ...

Thick smoke continues to blanket the Okanagan creating bad air ... Globalnews.ca - Aug. 13, 2018

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#### Thick smoke to smother the Okanagan again this weekend

Globalnews.ca - Aug. 16, 2018

The smoke-directing flow in the upper atmosphere transitioned to be more westerly ... Peter Quinlan (@PQuinlanGlobal) August 18, 2018 ...



#### Air quality in nearly a dozen BC communities 'very high risk' on Sunday

Globalnews.ca - Aug. 19, 2018

Smoke is filling interior valleys with poor visibility & high AQHI values. ... the smoke towards the coast #bcstorm #vernon #kelowna #penticton pic.twitter.com/6IFQfrYeXR ... Dwayne Rourke (@DwayneRourke) August 19,

)



#### Heavy **smoke** and poor air quality force cancellation of two Okanagan ...

CBC.ca - Aug. 20, 2018

Athletes from 19 countries are in Penticton for the race, some from as far ... for a cancelled 2018 national championship event that was initially ...

Triathlon smoked out

Local Source - Castanet.net - Aug. 18, 2018

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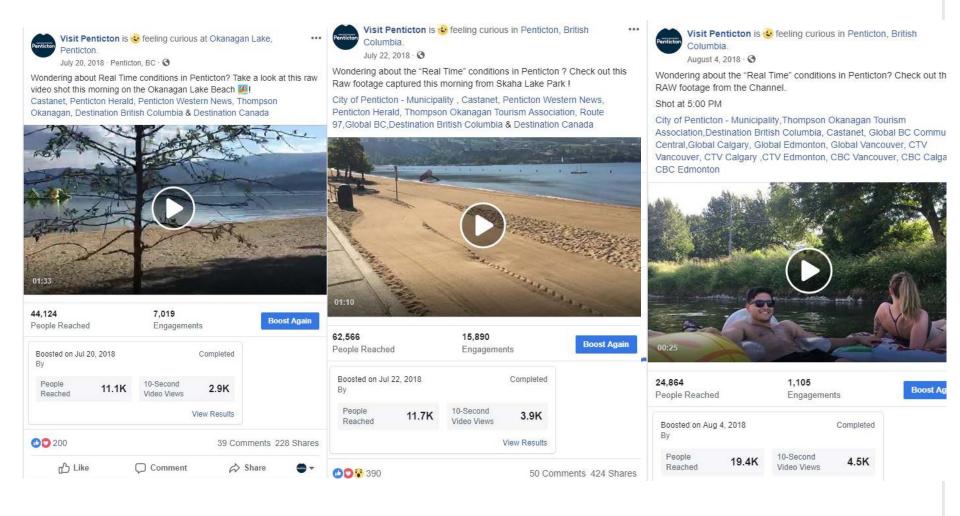


#### PHOTOS: BC city wakes up to darkness under wildfire smoke

Pentiction Western News - Aug. 17, 2018

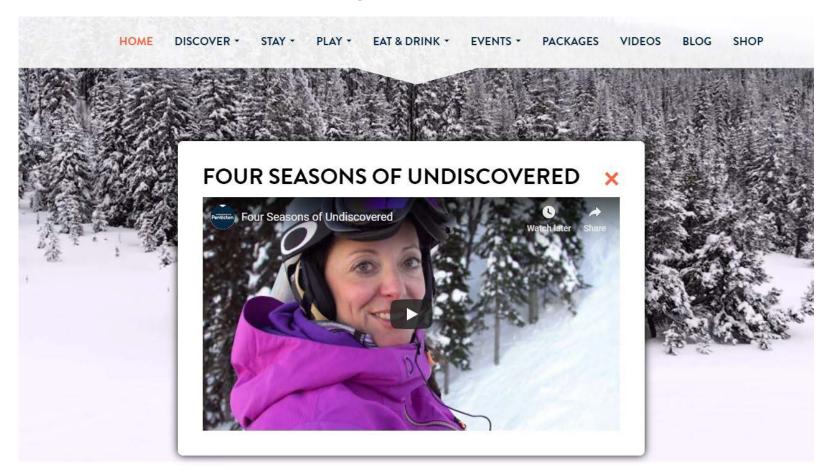
The wildfire **smoke** has become so thick in B.C. that it's blocking the sun in some communities. People in Prince George woke up to dark skies ...

## **2018 Solutions**





# **2018 Accomplishments in Brief**



# **WELCOME TO PENTICTON**



## **2018 Accomplishments in Brief**

#### **EXAMPLE:**

Consumer Focussed Trade Shows:
 Travel Penticton representing the entire community for TOURISM & potential INVESTMENT & RELOCATION

**Attended 4 Consumer Shows:** 

**Calgary Motorcycle: 26593 Attendees** 

**Vancouver Motorcycle: 33000 Attendees** 

**Vancouver Outdoor Show: 17200 Attendees** 

**Calgary Outdoor Show: 13200 Attendees** 



Time to start planning to Ride Somewhere New! Come visit us at the Edmonton Motorcycle Show on January 11-13th to get your FREE Penticton Motorcycle Route Map!

Event details: www.motorcycleshows.ca/





## **2019 Innovative Projects**

- Tourism Economic Impact Study
- Accessible Tourism Initiative
- Cinema Advertising
- Increase Media Profile
- Penticton Beach & Airport Visitor Kiosks
- Local Tourism Open House
- Offer Co-Op Marketing Program for Travel Penticton Members



## Our Partnership with our City of Penticton - 2019

- Provide Workshops to Council & Staff on Travel Penticton operations
- Present Quarterly Reports to Council on Travel Penticton operations Currently submitted electronically
- Work to secure a beach location for a high-volume seasonal Visitor Information Centre
- Continue collaboration with Economic Development department on Tourism Impact Assessment

# **Benefits of City Funding - \$300,000**

- Visitor Services
- Promotion of Penticton through trade and consumer shows
- Support Sales & Marketing Professional Staff
- Satellite Visitor Centres
- Digital content for promotion
- Photography
- Videography
- Story content



# Facts about MRDT Program

- 5 Year Term July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2022
- 2% Supported by Accommodators
- City Resolution for financial community support
- Provincial program partnership between Ministry of Tourism, Arts and Culture, Ministry of Finance and Destination BC
- Any changes would require a new application supported by local industry...accommodators
- Reporting partnership with City of Penticton and Travel
   Penticton working very well!



# 2019 Budget - Revenue

| Revenue                            | Budget         |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Municipal Contract for Service     | \$300,000.00   |
| MRDT Revenue                       | \$640,000.00   |
| Vacation Rental Revenue            | \$11,500.00    |
| Co-op & Special Project Revenue    | \$10,000.00    |
| DBC Visitor Centre Network Funding | \$25,000.00    |
| Member Marketing Services          | \$35,000.00    |
| Experience Guide Advertising       | \$58,000.00    |
| Grants                             | \$6,500.00     |
| Retail Sales Revenue               | \$25,000.00    |
| Other (interest/commission)        | \$1,500.00     |
| Revenue TOTAL                      | \$1,112,500.00 |



# 2019 Budget – Expenses

|                                | Budget         |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Marketing Initiatives          | \$386,600.00   |
| Marketing Staff Wages          | \$246,685.00   |
| Visitor Centre Operations      | \$182,514.00   |
| Event Co-op Funding            | \$150,000.00   |
| Professional Services Expenses | \$87,500.00    |
| Administration Expenses        | \$44,030.00    |
| Other Expenses                 | \$15,000.00    |
| Expenses TOTAL                 | \$1,112,329.00 |



### **Team**

### **Full Time Staff - Marketing**

Executive Director, Thom Tischik
Project Co-ordinator, Jo Charnock
Marketing Manager, Brad Morgan
Member Services & Marketing Manager, Karen Davy

#### **Full Time Staff - Visitor Centre**

Visitor Centre Supervisor, Graham Filek Travel Experiences Councillor, Dawne Young Travel Experiences Councillor, Cheryl Gill

#### **Volunteer Staff - Visitor Centre**

2 current volunteers

#### **Summer Staff - Visitor Centre**

Student - Paul Garcha

Student - Jacob Winstone

Student – Sierra Simpson