



Building a Stronger Kelowna

Community, sport & wellness facilities in
Central Kelowna, Glenmore, Rutland & Mission

Kelowna is one of the fastest growing communities in Canada and as such we have a growing need for community recreation and leisure facilities. These facilities play an essential role in bringing people together – they are safe places for people of all ages and backgrounds to stay connected, be active, learn a new skill, and belong.

The City plays a key role in providing facilities and services for the health and well-being of residents and growing active amenities in multiple neighbourhoods projects. Growing active amenities across Kelowna will serve our community members by addressing aging recreation infrastructure, service needs, and equitable distribution of in-demand facilities.

Community benefit: spaces for everyone to thrive

Growth forecasts show that Kelowna will welcome another 45,000 residents in our city in the next 20 years. Currently, program and space demands exceed what can be provided within Kelowna's recreation facilities. Anyone that has attempted to register for kids swim lessons at Parkinson Recreation Centre in recent years, as an example, is well aware of the frustrating demand that exists, with community need outweighing existing facility and scheduling capacity.

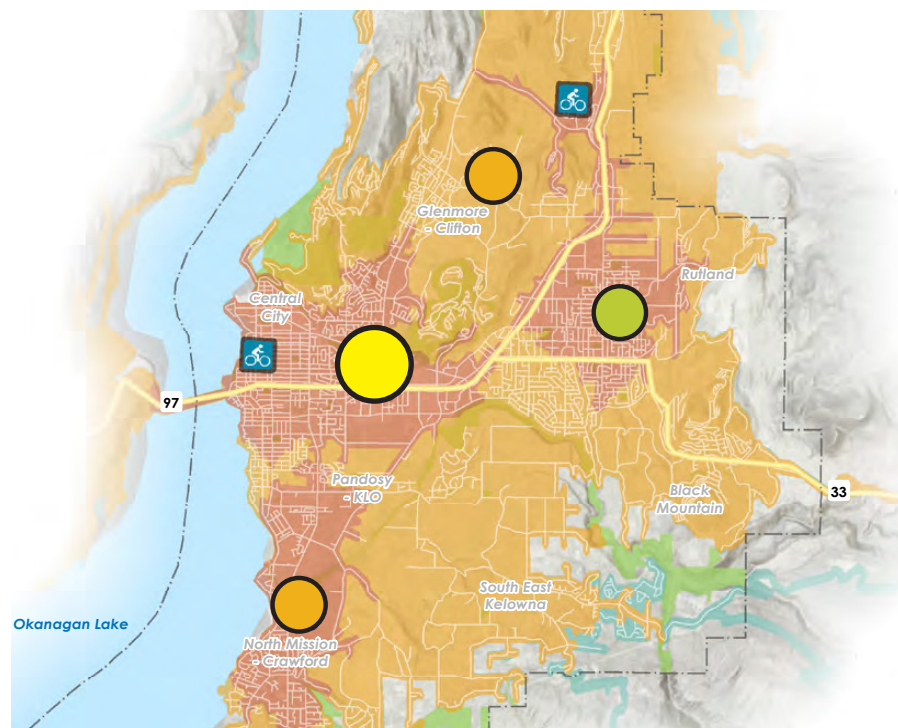
The Building a Stronger Kelowna project will see investment in key sites to serve Kelowna residents today and into the future including the redevelopment of PRC, new multi-age activity centres in Glenmore and Mission, revitalized sports fields in Rutland, and the advancement of key partnerships with School District 23, UBCO and Okanagan College.



Funding our active future

As the largest infrastructure project in Kelowna's history, the creation of these community, sport & wellness facilities requires significant financial investment, and must be carefully considered within the context of overall priorities for the City.

The funding strategy signals the use of debt financing for 84 per cent of total project costs, \$241.32 million, and a combination of reserve, grant, and taxation funding to fund the remaining \$46.18 million. Approval of the electors under the loan authorization bylaw is being sought through an alternative approval process. Electors who are **opposed** to the loan authorization can sign and submit an AAP form by October 13, 2023.



PRC Redevelopment

This future recreation centre at the core of our city is a unique opportunity for delivering a landmark facility that can host major events and tournaments. The redeveloped PRC would include 5 times more gym space, 2.5 times bigger aquatic facilities, and more than double the existing multi-use community space.

New Activity Centres for all ages in Mission and Glenmore

Activity centres like the Parkinson and Rutland activity centres that we have in our city today, are important program sites that connect a neighbourhood through low-barrier, accessible programs and spaces. Activity centres can host a wide variety of events and activities, depending on their size, location, and the needs and interests of the community they serve.

Optimization of Rutland Sports Fields

Proposed as a priority in the 10-year Capital Plan, the optimization of future sports fields will take place at the site of Rutland Recreation Park, the home of the Rutland Activity Centre, Rutland Arena and the Rutland Family Y. This project responds to sports field capacity challenges. With planned, or existing artificial turf fields in Rutland, Mission, Glenmore and Central Kelowna it will disperse these important all-season amenities across the city.

Learn more about how we're building a stronger Kelowna at
kelowna.ca/growingactivefacilities

