# Lillooet Learning Communities Society



### Vision

Scúzas es7áma smáwal' lta St'át'imcúlmecwa | A good life for all in St'át'imc territory

### Mission

The mission of Lillooet Learns is to foster active learning that contributes to socially just and economically thriving communities.

We do this by:

- 1. Providing diverse education and creative opportunities that enhance well-being,
- 2. Facilitating local partnerships and collaboration between community organizations,
- 3. Engaging community participation in local events and initiatives,
- 4. Strengthening relationships between St'át'imc and local community members, and
- 5. Supporting and delivering community-led programs with a social and restorative justice lens.

### **Beliefs**

- Encouraging a culture of learning and creativity enhances community wellness.
- True St'át'imc partnership is active and participatory (going beyond allyship).
- Collaboration of diverse partners increases capacity for healthy community development.
- Individual participation in active citizenship leads to equitable and inclusive communities.
- By working together, St'át'imc and Lillooet people can solve community challenges.
- Restorative practices increase individual and public safety.
- Decolonized justice and education opportunities lead to a better life for all community members.
- The arts support resilient, creative, and empowered communities.

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## Goals & Objectives

## 1. A respectful network of lifelong learners in St'át'imc and Lillooet communities

- 1.1. Organize training and supportive employment and volunteer opportunities
- 1.2. Facilitate events, workshops, and training on topics of interest
- 1.3. Support community members and groups to organize events and workshops
- 1.4. Create organization systems and knowledge that uphold the value of learning

## 2. Bridging differences to bring together partners and the communities themselves

- 2.1. Build cross-cultural and cross-sectoral partnerships to share resources in support of local initiatives and programs
- 2.2. Provide safe spaces for diverse people to discuss challenges and work together
- 2.3. Convene St'át'imc and Lillooet community leadership for collaboration and learning
- 2.4. Advocate for systems changes that break down silos and allow collaborations to happen more effectively

### 3. Equitable and inclusive engagement of all people in St'át'imc and Lillooet communities

- 3.1. Work to ensure equal representation of St'át'imc people in Lillooet Learns at all levels
- 3.2. Increase public safety and reduce harm by acting with principles of restorative justice
- 3.3. Convene community conversations on Truth and Reconciliation and social justice topics
- 3.4. Encourage active participation in all of Lillooet Learns' initiatives that inform strategic direction

### 4. St'át'imc and Lillooet communities are economically resilient and growing

- 4.1. Provide a retail focal point in downtown Lillooet
- 4.2. Develop branding and marketing for St'át'imc and Lillooet products, art, food, and craft
- 4.3. Connect entrepreneurs and small business owners to support services
- 4.4. Model a successful social enterprise and teach other non-profit organizations