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In memory of a Lions humanitarian



The Jack Nelson Annex

Officially open!

Representatives of the Sunshine Coast Lions Housing Society, the Sechelt Lions Club, the District of Sechelt, and the Federal and Provincial Governments flank Vera Nelson for the official ribbon-cutting on the plaza outside the Jack Nelson Annex.

"Today's event shows what we can achieve when all levels of government work together with the community," said MP John Weston at the official opening of the Jack Nelson Annex, the Sunshine Coast Lions Housing Society's new 65-unit, 4-storey resi-

dence for seniors and disabled. Weston noted that the federal Ministry of Housing provided \$2.3M in funding for the project under the Economic Action Plan, a sum matched by the Provincial government. Sechelt Mayor John Ferguson, crediting the vision and work of

past Mayors and Councils (particularly former Mayor Cam Reid) as well as District staff, noted that the District is subsidizing the project through a 10-year municipal property tax 'holiday' and over \$500K in waived development cost charges. MLA Joan McIntyre represented

BC Housing Minister Rich Coleman, congratulating the vision of the agencies providing long-term financing: BC Housing (\$4M) and Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, which provided seed funding.

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Gibsons Recycling makes the Top Five

After two weeks of assessment and deliberation by judges, the top five finalists for this year's Successful You Awards have been chosen.

Finalists include high-profile Vancouver restaurant Vij's owned by our 2010/11 awards keynote Vikram Vij; the Vancouver skin care

retail store MASC, which faced the Dragons' Den and survived, as well as a variety of other small businesses from communities like Gibsons, Oliver and Campbell River.

The top five finalists from each of the six categories will now present a ten minute business pitch to a panel

of industry experts and successful entrepreneurs to win the title of Small Business BC Successful You Award Winner of 2011/12.

Placing in the Best Green Business category were:

- Clover Earthkind Hair Salon - Vancouver
- Debrand Services Inc. - Vancouver

- Gibsons Recycling Depot - Sunshine Coast
- Green Coast Rubbish - Vancouver
- Pemberton Valley Lodge - Pemberton

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