

NEWSLETTER



June 2026

LEADERS IN ACTION



Leaders in Action has big impact!

Our 2025-2026 Leaders in Action cohort has completed the program for the year!

We're so proud of this crew, they expanded their comfort zones, built amazing bonds, and grew their connection to sports and the outdoors. We had a great time with them and are so grateful for all their smiles, positive energy, and thoughtfulness.

We went to Squamish with this crew in May and had an amazing time. We made a video with highlight from the trip and interviews with the participants about their experience in the program, the impact it's had on them. Check it out below!

If you know a youth aged 15 - 18 who's interested in signing up for our Leaders in Action program, get them to sign up now on our website (click [Learn More](#) below) - next cohort starts in Sept 2026!

Checkout a video of our awesome year-end trip to Squamish [HERE!](#)

[Learn More](#)

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EVENTS



Thank you for Making It Monthly

Make It Monthly: 20 x 20 has wrapped and we wanted to share the results — thanks to the generosity of our new monthly donors and a \$2,500 matching gift from [No Small Thing](#), this campaign raised a combined total of **\$4,360 in annual support for youth in the Okanagan.**

That's year long access to free outdoor sports, gear, transportation, coaching, and mentorship for young people who wouldn't otherwise have these opportunities.

Whether you signed up, shared the campaign, or simply cheered us on — thank you!

Interested in making an impact for youth all year? It's not too late. Monthly giving is always open and every gift opens doors to life changing opportunities.

[Become A Monthly Donor](#)



Touchdown Kelowna Tailgate Party

Benefiting Elevation Outdoors

Chances Casino Kelowna is hosting a free community event and every bite supports Elevation Outdoors and local youth!

Join Elevation Outdoors next Thursday for [Touchdown Kelowna Tailgate Party](#).

This is an all-ages event featuring BBQ, ticket giveaways for Touchdown Kelowna game and concert tickets, meet & greet with a BC Lions athlete, local vendors, and live radio with The Lizard and Roach.

All proceeds from the BBQ go directly to supporting our programs for local youth. It's a great way to take part in [Touch Down Kelowna](#) and support your community at the same time. Come say hi - we'd love to see you there!

Event Details:

Thursday, July 2 | 4:00 - 6:00 PM | RONA Parking Lot, Kelowna

More info [Chances Casino Kelowna](#)



10th Anniversary Celebration Tickets Still Available

On The Lawn teams may be sold out, but there are still tickets to the **10th Anniversary Celebration Night!**

Join us **Thursday, Aug 20th** for some casual lawn bowling, BBQ, bar, 50/50, toonie toss, and a celebration of 10 years together!

Tickets are only \$10 — **space is limited:** [GET TICKETS](#)



Join Ogopogo Rotary for their 8th Annual golf tournament! Proceeds support Elevation Outdoors.

- Friday September 18th
- Sunset Ranch Golf & Country Club
- Shotgun Start 1:00 PM
- Tickets \$225
- Scan QR code to register or follow this link: [Get Tickets](#)

UPCOMING PROGRAMS



[Leaders in Action](#)

Get your applications in for the Sept 2026 - June 2027 cohort!

This well-rounded, experience-based program is aimed at giving youth an opportunity to try new adventures and outdoor pursuits while gaining valuable volunteer experience with a consistent group of peers and leaders throughout the year. All of the outdoor sports we offer are included in this program.

Dates

- This 10 month program runs throughout the school year (September – June) with sessions running every Wednesday after school (+ a few weekend days)

Who is Leaders in Action for?

- 15 – 18 years old
- Dedicated, able to attend at least 1 evening session a week (Wednesdays) for the whole school year
- Interested in, and willing to try, all of our sports (listed below)
- Willing and able to collaborate with others
- Interested in gaining volunteer hours in an outdoor recreation setting
- Interested in developing leadership and employment skills
- Interested in building positive relationships with our staff/volunteers and the other youth in the program!

Get your applications in asap to be considered!

[More Info](#)

[Apply Now!](#)



Girls Forward: Summer Edition

Get your applications in now!

Positively impacting female participant's access and experience of the outdoors and of the sports we do is super important to us!

That's why we've paired up with [Girls Forward Foundation](#) for our new all-girls, multi-sport program, running for 5 weeks on Wednesday evenings, from July 22 - Aug 19.

We'll take up to 10 girls, aged 12 - 18, mountain biking, hiking, and climbing alongside Girls Forward's Role Models, who will provide life skills sessions!

Dates

- July 22: Hike
- July 29: Mountain Bike
- Aug 5: Hike
- Aug 12: Mountain Bike
- Aug 19: Indoor Rock Climb

Eligibility: Unlike our other programs, you do not need to meet eligibility criteria to access this program for free! Everyone can apply!

Get your applications in asap to be considered (previous GF participants are welcome to apply again)!

[More Info](#)

[Apply Now!](#)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Live to Ride & Ride More

We are still seeking a few more volunteers for our summer mountain biking programs!

Our mountain biking programs run on weekday evening in July and August this year. We have both beginner and intermediate programs for youth with no prior experience or youth who want to further the skills they learned with us on their first time on the program.

Volunteers will serve as mentors, passing along their passion for the sport helping us introduce our participants to the fundamentals of mountain biking and further develop their skills and technique.

Seeking Volunteers to join for 1 - 2x/week in July and August!

- Live to Ride runs on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from June 30th to August 14th (two of the Thursdays will be swapped to Fridays for full day trips to Big White)!
- Ride More (Intermediate) runs on Monday and Wednesday evenings from July 6th - August 13th (with the last Wednesday being swapped for a Thursday day a trip to Big White)
- Volunteer Orientation (at Beyond the Crux): Mon, June 22nd @ 6 pm

If you have any questions about what it's like to be a volunteer with our mountain bike programs, email Jess (Program Manager) at programs@elevationoutdoors.ca or fill out our volunteer application below!



Girls Forward: Summer Edition

We're seeking female volunteers who hike, climb, and/or mountain bike who want to join us on our next Girls Forward program. If you're available on Wednesday evenings from July 22 - Aug 19 and would like to join this awesome program, we'd love to hear from you!

If you have any questions about what it's like to be a volunteer with Girls Forward, email Jess (Program Manager) at programs@elevationoutdoors.ca or fill out our volunteer application below!

Apply to Volunteer

UNIQUE WAYS TO MAKE AN IMPACT



Kelowna Bike Rentals is Open!

All proceeds from bike rentals support Adaptive Adventures and Elevation Outdoors.

With a wide selection of bikes including: E-Bikes, Mountain Bikes, Gravel Bikes, and Adaptive Options we have the right fit for exploring Kelowna's beautiful pathways.

[Book online](#) or simply walk up to our convenient location at [579 Truswell Road](#).

Rent a Bike. Explore the Outdoors. Make an Impact.

Open Friday to Tuesday: 9am - 4:30pm (Closed Wednesday/Thursday)

Contact: 778-583-4835 | Website: [Kelowna Bike Rentals](#)

DONOR SPOTLIGHT



Morningside Rotary

[Morningside Rotary Club](#) has been a dedicated supporter of Elevation Outdoors for many years. Their annual contribution helps us put more youth into programs each year, providing more opportunity for transformative outdoor experiences.

Last month, our team had the pleasure of volunteering at their 21st Annual Charity Golf Tournament at Black Mountain Golf Club - a small way to give back to a group that gives so much to our community. It was a fantastic event and a great reminder of the incredible community we get to be part of.

Thank you, Morningside Rotary. We are so grateful to be on this journey with you.



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