

# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF OKANAGAN-SIMILKAMEEN

## INFORMATION RELEASE

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### Canada and British Columbia Invest \$6,100 in Improvements to Naramata Museum

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On January 16, 2017 the Province of British Columbia announced ***British Columbia | Canada 150: Celebrating B.C. Communities and their Contributions to Canada***, a new funding program designed to invest \$7.6 million in legacy, culture and heritage projects in communities throughout the province as part of the 150th anniversary of Canada's confederation.

The one-time grants of up to \$100,000 were open to organizations with a culture or heritage mandate responsible for a museum, and is administered by the BC Museums Association on behalf of the Province of British Columbia, with the support of Heritage BC.

The Naramata Museum Society applied under this program to improve the display cases at the Naramata Museum, providing a better insight into the rich history of Naramata and the materials they have available for both local residents and visitors to view.

Dan Ashton, MLA for Penticton constituency, presented a cheque for \$6,100.00 and stated, "Naramata is typical of the many strong, vibrant pockets of rural living across the Province of British Columbia with a story to tell and they deserve the support of the government for modern, reliable infrastructure."

"We congratulate the Naramata Museum Society and are extremely pleased they have received funding through the Canada 150 Program for our museum" said Karla Kozakevich, Chair for the Regional District and Director for Electoral Area "E". "The contribution of \$6,100 will help us improve our presentation at the museum and on behalf of our volunteers who work tirelessly to show our history, we want to thank MLA Ashton for his continued support for the Regional District of Okanagan Similkameen and for culture in the south Okanagan".

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Karla Kozakevich, Chair  
Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen



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