Press Release

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For immediate release:

The Shawnigan Lake Historical Society has just received a much-needed $500,000 boost, from the BC Destination Fund, to expand tourism amenities and opportunities at the Shawnigan Lake Museum.

The Society is grateful for this support from the Province of British Columbia. The Shawnigan Lake Museum has been open for almost 50 years and, since then, the stories and collections have grown, but not the building. The Society currently has an expansion underway that will triple the size of the building. This project will be completed by the summer of 2024. The funding from the Destination Fund will allow us to develop a new entry highlighting the First Nations story in Shawnigan, a new and expanded gallery for local artist E.J. Hughes, a new Kinsol Trestle Interpretation Centre and other important stories in new exhibits. Shawnigan Lake is a small community with a big story! This funding will also increase museum amenities so that we can share our amazing history with more visitors and bring increased economic benefits to Shawnigan Village.