



## Congratulations to our 2019 Citizen of the Year Award Recipients!

### Lifetime Achievement



**Jan Hickman**

Jan Hickman was nominated by Treena Innes. She is being recognized for her longtime commitment to volunteerism in Maple Ridge. Jan has been a longstanding board member and supporter of many local charities, including: Alisa's Wish, Maple Ridge Community Foundation, Rotary Ladies Night, Ridge Meadows Hospital Foundation, Community Services, Salvation Army Lunch Bag Program, Ridge Meadows Division of Family Practice and many more. She is also a local Rotarian. Jan's connections, commitment to giving of her time, and community support are highly respected with her peers. Over the past few decades, thousands of Maple Ridge residents have been touched by Jan's giving nature and volunteer work.

### 40 & Under



**Katelyn Ross**

Katelyn Ross was nominated by Lisa Collins. Kate is passionate about sport and loves to connect kids to being active. She gathers and distributes used sports equipment to those who can't afford to purchase it, so youth she's made aware of in this situation can still participate. She also makes herself available for softball instruction to families with barriers, and connects struggling youth with sport and other resources. Kate has hosted multiple events in support of KidSport, including a recent successful Guinness World Records attempt where over 350 community members came out to support her. Kate is also recognized as being a compassionate community member, sponsoring families at Christmas and creating fundraisers for locals facing difficult times.

### Youth



**Victoria Gardner**

Victoria Gardner was nominated by Carlos Silva. She was recognized for her contributions within the school over the past five years. Victoria is and has been an integral part of her school community as a leading member of Link Crew, Key Club, Student Government, Model UN, Garibaldi Student Action Team and Rebels for a Cause. Outside of school Victoria is dedicated to her community, volunteering her time with the Maple Ridge Hospital, Child Development Centre and with Special Olympics. Victoria inspires her peers to be resourceful, active and kind.

