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**UNDERSTANDING PSAC BC STRUCTURES: AREA
COUNCILS, REGIONAL WOMEN'S COMMITTEES,
HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEES, YOUNG WORKERS
COMMITTEES AND THE BRUSH COMMITTEE**

PSAC Area Councils

PSAC Area Councils (AC) are made up of members from different Locals, Branches and Components, grouped within regional areas. Area Councils are the political arm of our Union - they engage with and mobilize around various PSAC campaigns. Members also come together to lobby their political representatives, raise awareness of issues affecting our members, workers and the Canadian public.

Area Councils also allow for discussion, collaboration and activism across Component lines. Area Council members also work with community partners, build links with other labour groups and send members and resolutions to PSAC Regional and National Conventions.

There are currently 8 Area Councils in BC:

- **Vancouver AC** PSACBC-AC-Vancouver@psac-afpc.com
- **Victoria AC** PSACBC-AC-Victoria@psac-afpc.com
- **West Fraser Valley AC** (includes Surrey/Delta/Langley)
PSACBC-AC-WestFraserValley@psac-afpc.com
- **East Fraser Valley AC** PSACBC-AC-EastFraserValley@psac-afpc.com
- **Okanagan AC** PSACBC-AC-Okanagan@psac-afpc.com
- **Northwest BC AC** (Prince Rupert/Terrace)
PSACBC-AC-NorthWest@psac-afpc.com
- **Northeast BC AC** (Prince George and Area)
PSACBC-AC-NorthEast@psac-afpc.com
- **North Vancouver Island AC** PSACBC-AC-NorthVancouverIsland@psac-afpc.com

Visit: <https://psacbc.com/event/> for upcoming meetings, and to find out how to get involved with an Area Council in your area or connect with the Area Councils directly or call your Regional Office.

For news and more information about Area Councils visit:

<https://psacbc.com/our-organization/area-councils/>

PSAC BC Regional Committees

BRUSH (BC Region Union Safety & Health) Committee

The BRUSH (BC Region Union Safety & Health) Committee is comprised of Health & Safety activists from across British Columbia and is chaired by the Health & Safety Coordinator of the BC Regional Council. The committee is devoted to the inclusion, promotion of, and education around workplace Health & Safety. The committee meets regularly to discuss these issues.

If you are interested in getting involved with the BRUSH or would like more information about H&S in the BC Region, visit: <https://psacbc.com/our-organization/brush-hs-committee/> or email Tracy Arrowsmith, Health and Safety Coordinator, PSAC BC Regional Council ArrowsT@psac-afpc.com

Human Rights Committees

PSAC BC has three constitutionally recognized Human Rights Committees. They meet regularly in person and virtually to discuss issues and plan events relating to PSAC's Indigenous, Access (Persons With Disabilities), 2SLGBTQIA+, and Racially Visible caucus members.

For news and more information about PSAC's Human Rights Committees visit: <https://psacbc.com/our-organization/human-rights-committees/>

Mainland HRC: PSACBC-HRC-Mainland@psac-afpc.com

Vancouver Island HRC: PSACBC-HRC-VancouverIsland@psac-afpc.com

CIRCLE (HR) Committee: PSACBC-HRC-Okanagan@psac-afpc.com

("CIRCLE" acronym comes from: "Coastal North and Interiors, Rights, Community, Leadership and Engagement (CIRCLE) Committee")

Regional Women's Committees

PSAC Regional Women's Committees are made up of women from many different components who gather to discuss issues and campaigns that are important to their constituencies. There are four constitutionally recognized Regional Women's Committees in the BC Region.

For news and more information about PSAC's Regional Women's Committees visit: <https://psacbc.com/our-organization/regional-womens-committees/>

Southern Interior RWC: PSACBC-RWC-SouthernInterior@psac-afpc.com

Northern RWC: PSACBC-RWC-NorthEast@psac-afpc.com

Vancouver RWC : PSACBC-RWC-Vancouver@psac-afpc.com

Vancouver Island RWC: PSACBC-RWC-VancouverIsland@psac-afpc.com

Young Workers

In the BC Region young workers (YW) who are thirty-five (35) years of age and under actively come together to share their experiences, discuss common struggles, and analyze the issues they face at work and in the Union. Young workers first formed as a Caucus in 2002 through the Solidarity Campaign for Young Workers and held many events and educational opportunities designed to appeal to younger workers.

In 2012, the PSAC formally recognized the need for Young Worker Committees in the Regions. BC was the first to form such geographically based committees, beginning with Vancouver Island, and soon after for the BC Mainland and Haida Gwaii. Young Workers have a political voice in our union. For news and more information about PSAC's Regional Young Workers Committees visit:

<https://psacbc.com/our-organization/young-workers/>

Vancouver Island YW Committee:

PSACBC-YWC-VancouverIsland@psac-afpc.com

Mainland and Haida Gwaii YW Committee:

PSACBC-YWC-MainlandHaidaGwaii@psac-afpc.com