

2021-2022 Major Project Award Benefitting:







The Major Project Committee and the RCOB Board are excited to announce that the **Bellingham Community Boating Center's new building** will be the recipient of our major project fund for 2021-22.

The new building will be named the *Rotary Wheelhouse* in recognition of our support of this project. The first level will be comprised of storage and bathrooms which are badly-needed. Showers and a handicapped-accessible bathroom and shower will be included. Second floor will include a large classroom. While the building itself is a worthy project, what makes this something RCOB can enthusiastically support is the CBC's impact on our community. The Boating Center amenities are available to anyone without any membership fee. It has programs for children as young as 5 to learn about marine life and water safety, a middle school sailing team, and there are a number of programs for people of a variety of ages and abilities. They make it a point to reach out to communities that might rarely or never have the experience of being on the water, such as participants at the Max Higbee Center (the recipient of our Major Project award last year). The Port is also constructing a handicap-accessible launching ramp to facilitate this outreach.

Let's make a big splash with a strong donation to this very-Bellingham project!



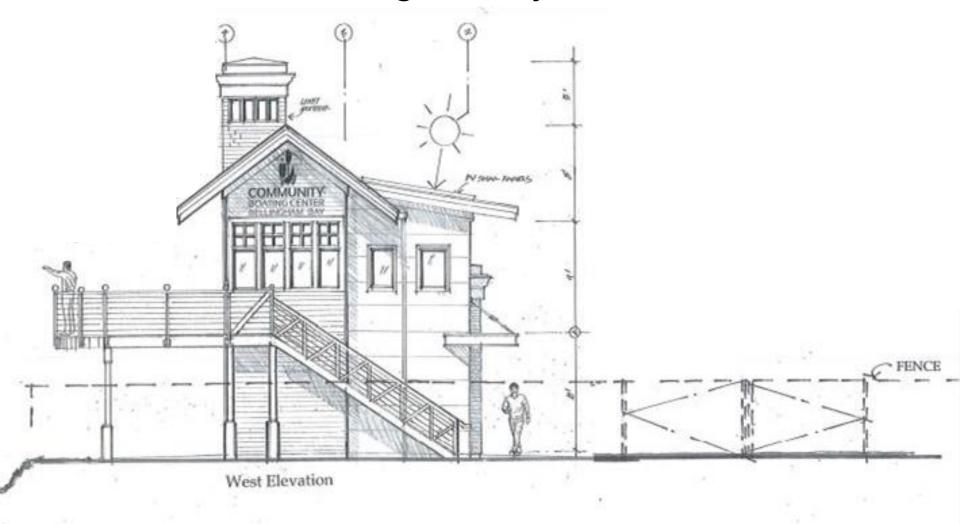
"I love the Community **Boating Center! Such a** great space to provide access to Bellingham Bay! The CBC is full of friendly staff and volunteers that love to help get people on the water. The Community Boating Center helped me find a community of wonderful paddlers and sailors that made me feel at home. Such a great place and I can't recommend it enough!"

-Anna Smith

CBC Current Campus Overview



New Building: Rotary Wheelhouse



Preliminary Design Concepts for Bellingham Bay Community Boat Center Port of Bellingham, WA



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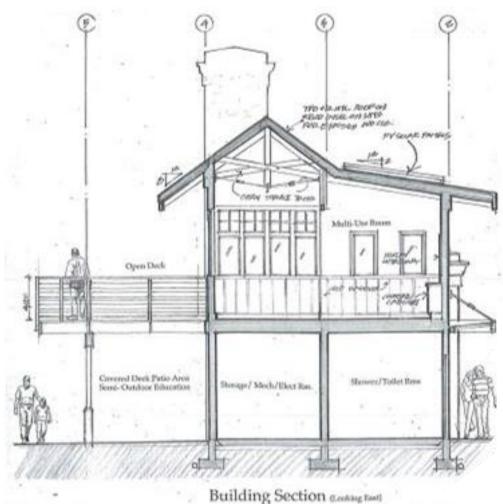
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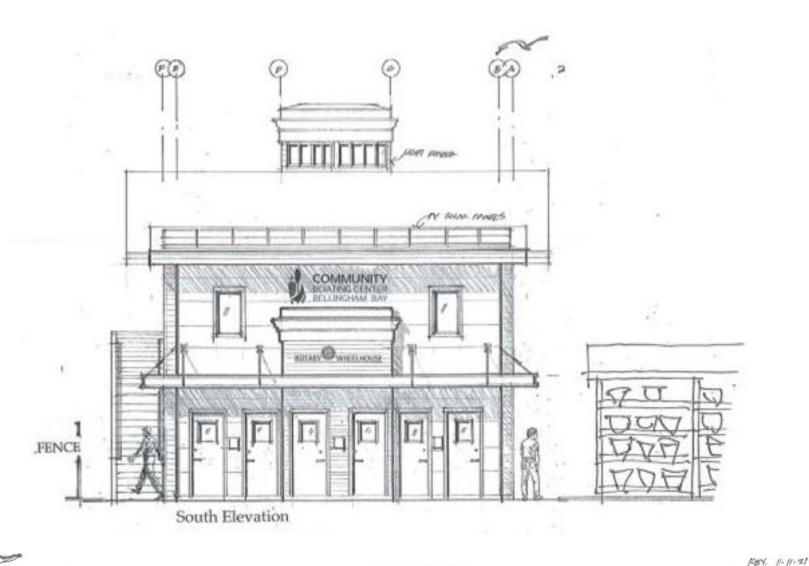
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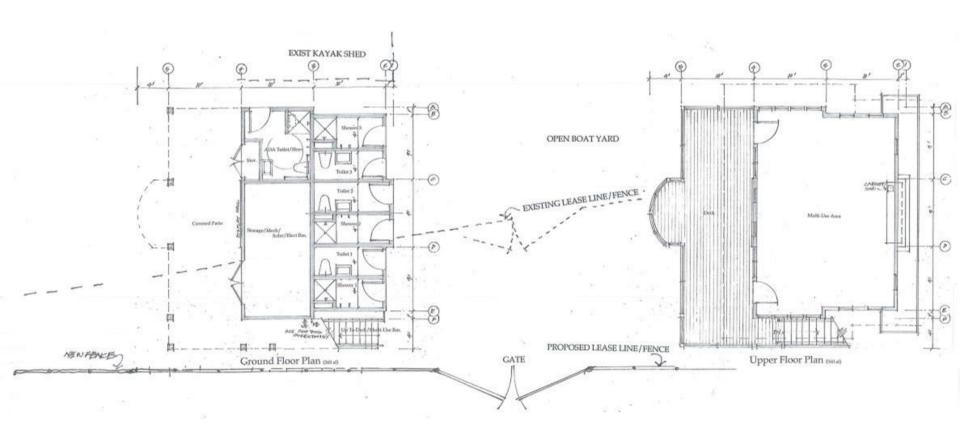
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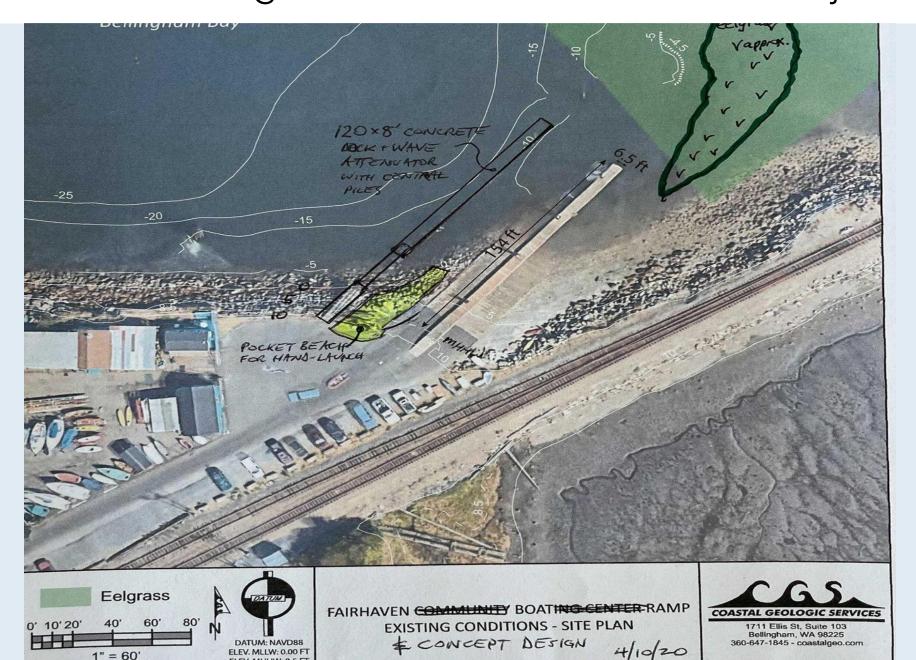
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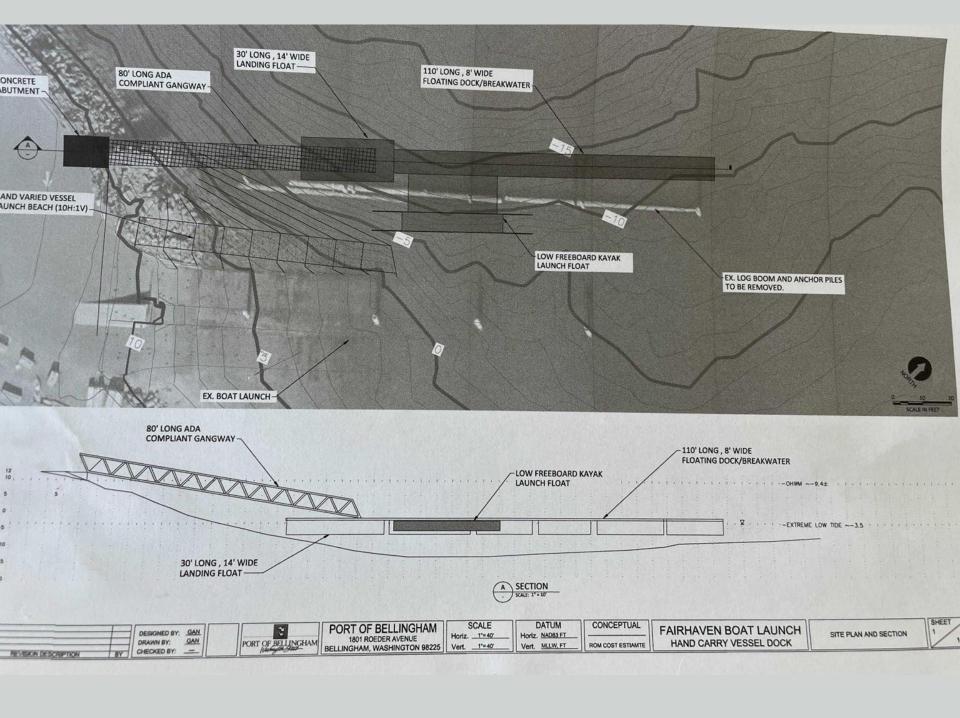
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Port of Bellingham Small Watercraft Dock Project







A community center using boats as the excuse to gather

- Connecting people from different corners of society, and different chapters of life over a common interest
- Offering a holistic approach to getting people on the water, providing a sense of place, inspiring curiosity and building community in addition to the watersport skills and cold water safety
- We actively work to seek representation from the underrepresented to build a rich and diverse space where all are welcomed
- We've developed pathways for all of our constituents to be involved in our work, to go from student to teacher and create lifelong connections to the sea.

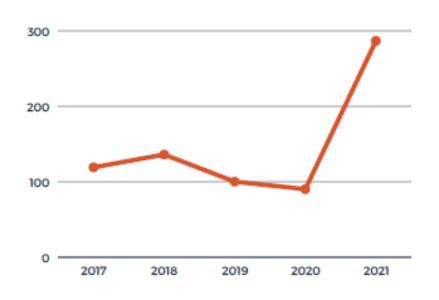
From CBC's 2021 Impact Report:

1,342

Hour of youth summer programming on Bellingham Bay 327

Number of Youth Campers served. \$5,200

Scholarships given with generous contributions by **The Sailing**Foundation



EXPONENTIAL GROWTH

In 2021, the Community Boating Center was able to host an unprecedented number of youth campers through our programming.

Our youth programs sold out across the board. We look forward to utilizing this years off season to strategize ways to increase our capacities to serve our community.

Please make your pledge to the Rotary Club of Bellingham today to support the Community Boating Center's expansion!





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