

# Welcome by Toby Barrett President of the Board

Introductions



# Agenda

#### **Formal Proceedings:**

- 1. Approval of the Agenda
- 2. Approval of the minutes from 2021 AGM
- 3. Presentation of the 2021 Financial Statements
- 4. Approval of the financial statements
- 5. Highlights of 2021 Annual Report
- 6. Voting on the proposed Special Resolution
- 7. Election of Directors & Announcements
- 8. Motion to Adjourn

#### **Informal Proceedings & lunch**



# **MOTIONS**

- 1. To approve the Agenda
- 2. To approve the minutes of 2021 AGM



# Presentation of Financial Statements: 2021 FY Tourism Golden Marketing 2021 FY Visitor Services

By Kevin Cox CPA, Cox & Company



#### TOURISM GOLDEN ASSOCIATION

#### Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Year Ended December 31, 2021

		2021	2020
REVENUES			
Cooperative marketing	\$	12,340	\$ 11,911
Website memberships		11,832	13,976
Partner funding		59,566	30,524
MRDT revenues (Note 6)		639,172	466,778
Travel planner		33,810	-
Grants		136,138	152,567
Event Grants & Sponsorship		-	500
		892,858	676,256
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EXPENSES			
Marketing and promotion (Note 13)		576,551	402,621
Amortization		716	1,435
Business taxes, licenses and memberships		7,975	7,376
Employee Salaries		192,616	178,169
Insurance		3,038	2,168
Interest and bank charges		157	386
MRDT Administration fees		14,740	11,300
Office		5,754	995
Education & training		1,866	-
Board and governance		17,840	130
WCB Expense		582	435
Professional fees		1,976	2,291
Rental		5,100	3,128
Seasonal wages		7,465	-
Telephone		2,807	2,479
Travel		327	2,717
Utilities	_	2,164	2,286
	_	841,674	617,916
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	_	51,184	58,340
OTHER INCOME			
Interest income		455	502
Wage subsidy & CEBA Funding	_	18,343	82,692
		18,798	83,194
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$	69,982	\$ 141,534

#### TOURISM GOLDEN ASSOCIATION

#### Statement of Cash Flows

#### Year Ended December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Excess of revenues over expenses Item not affecting cash:	\$ 69,982	\$ 141,534
Amortization of capital assets	716	1,435
	70,698	142,969
Changes in non-cash working capital: Accounts receivable Accounts receivable from a director	(26,459) (4,000)	41,875
Accounts payable Prepaid expenses Goods and services tax payable	20,458 (116) (10,315)	670 3,051 6,971
Deposits received	6,259 (14,173)	1,438 54,005
Cash flow from operating activities	56,525	196,974
INVESTING ACTIVITY  Purchase of capital assets		(1,928)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES  Proceeds from long term financing Repayment of long term debt	(30,000)	30,000
Cash flow from (used by) financing activities	(30,000)	30,000
INCREASE IN CASH FLOW	26,525	225,046
Cash - beginning of year	418,927	193,881
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 445,452	\$ 418,927

#### TOURISM GOLDEN ASSOCIATION

#### Statement of Financial Position December 31, 2021

		2021		2020
ASSETS				
CURRENT				
Cash and deposits	\$	445,452	\$	418,927
Accounts receivable (Note 6)		112,408		85,949
Accounts receivable from a director (Note 7) Goods and services tax recoverable		4,000		44.724
Prepaid expenses		25,049 1,482		14,734 1,366
Prepaid expenses	_	1,402		1,500
		588,391		520,976
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 9)		1,593		2,308
	\$	589,984	\$	523,284
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS				
CURRENT				
Accounts payable	\$	36,490	\$	16,031
Deposits received	_	13,955		7,696
		50,445		23,727
LONG TERM DEBT (Note 12)	_	-		30,000
		50,445		53,727
NET ASSETS				
Operating fund		537,946		467,248
Capital asset fund		1,593		2,309
	_	539,539		469,557
	\$	589,984	s	523,284

#### TOURISM GOLDEN - VISITOR SERVICES Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Year Ended December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
REVENUES		
Advertising revenue	\$ 4,312	\$ 1,000
Partner funding	50,000	50,000
Grants	2,364	4,397
Other revenue	2,144	1,477
Retail	 24,035	21,463
	 82,855	78,337
EXPENSES		
Marketing and promotion	22,880	23,961
Amortization	2,410	3,231
Employee Salaries	40,100	33,285
Insurance	1,169	1,060
Interest and bank charges	1,062	835
Office	16	779
Education & training	-	25
Cost of Park Passes sold	20,717	18,696
Cost of Retail sales	602	1,022
Sani Dump Operations	2,413	2,611
Cost of KHMR Passes sold	4.007	(8)
Professional fees	1,037	1,354
Operational Maintenance & Supplies	8,360 955	6,269
Staff Supplies & development	1,356	1.400
Telephone Travel	243	1,498 348
Uniforms	396	340
Utilities	 5,752	158
	 109,468	95,124
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	(26,613)	(16,787)
Government Grants	 -	2,643
DEFICIENCY OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ (26,613)	\$ (14,144)

# TOURISM GOLDEN - VISITOR SERVICES

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

#### Year Ended December 31, 2021

	2021	2020
OPERATING ACTIVITIES  Deficiency of revenues over expenses Item not affecting cash:	\$ (26,613)	\$ (14,144)
Amortization of capital assets	 2,410	3,231
	 (24,203)	(10,913)
Changes in non-cash working capital: Accounts payable Prepaid expenses Goods and services tax payable	 231 (63) 106	- (38) 139
	 274	101
DECREASE IN CASH FLOW	(23,929)	(10,812)
Cash - beginning of year	 192,168	202,979
CASH - END OF YEAR	\$ 168,239	\$ 192,167

#### **TOURISM GOLDEN - VISITOR SERVICES**

## Statement of Financial Position

#### December 31, 2021

		2021	2020
ASSETS			
CURRENT			
Cash	\$	168,239	\$ 192,168
Goods and services tax recoverable		1,604	1,710
Prepaid expenses		579	516
		170,422	194,394
CAPITAL ASSETS (Note 7)	_	7,296	9,706
	\$	177,718	\$ 204,100
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
CURRENT			
Accounts payable	\$	231	\$ -
NET ASSETS			
Operating fund		170,191	194,394
Capital asset fund		7,296	9,706
		177,487	204,100
	\$	177,718	\$ 204,100

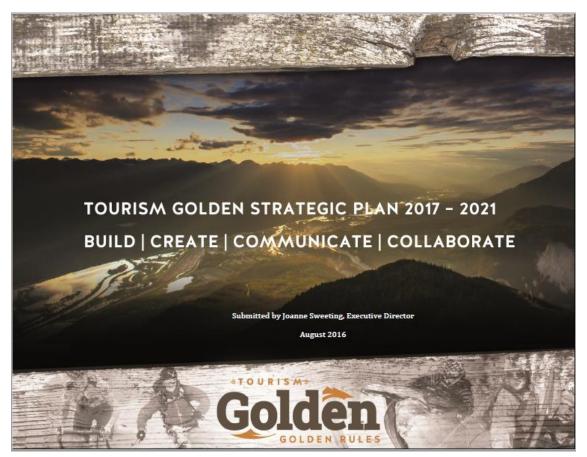
# Motion to approve the Financial Statements as presented



# Summary of the Tourism Golden Annual Report 2021 FY

by Joanne Sweeting







- ☐ Build on a strong brand
- ☐ Identify & own unique selling propositions
- Create, curate and communicate
- Educate & collaborate
- ☐ Inform & evaluate

# Results: Strategic Plan 2017 - 2021



#### SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

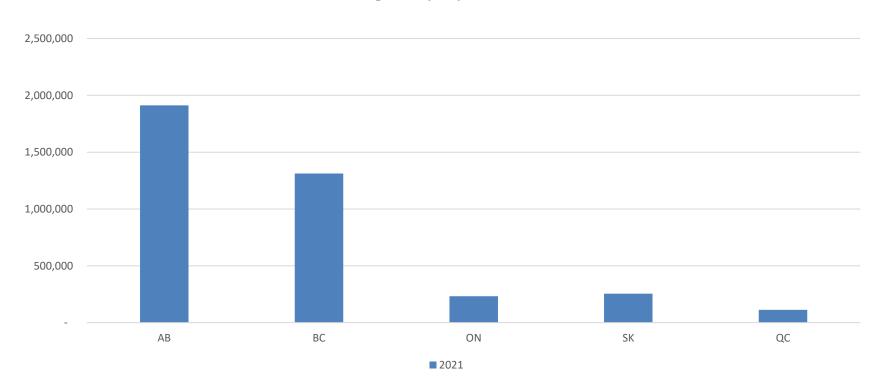
Pandemic non-essential travel advisories & PHO guidelines/mandates

International border closures Sept (USA) & November (ROW)

Kicking Horse Canyon Project extended closures

# 3.9 million overnight Canadian visitors





Source: Telus Insights Dec 2021- Golden-Columbia

GOLDEN, BRITISH COLUMBIA

# TOURISM SENTIMENT SCORE®

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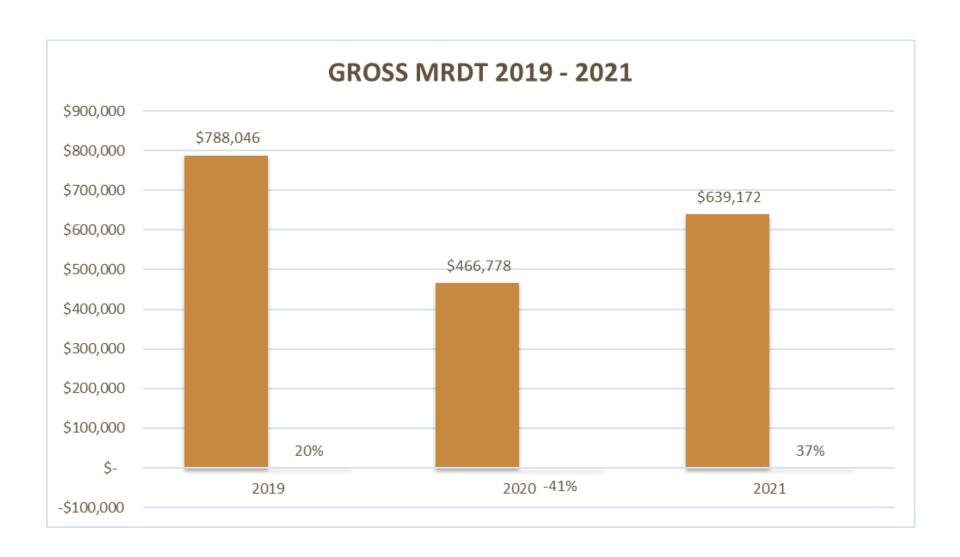
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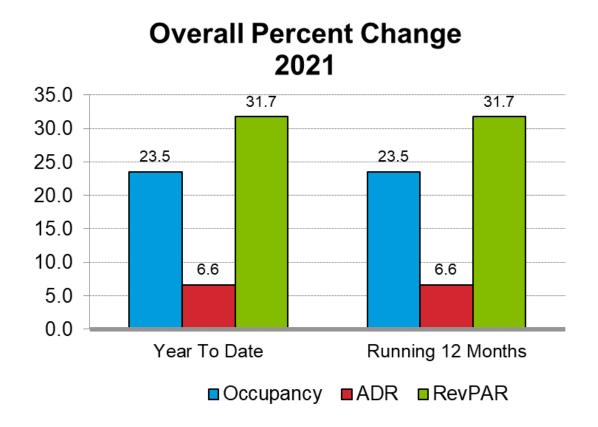
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JAN 01 - DEC 31, 2021

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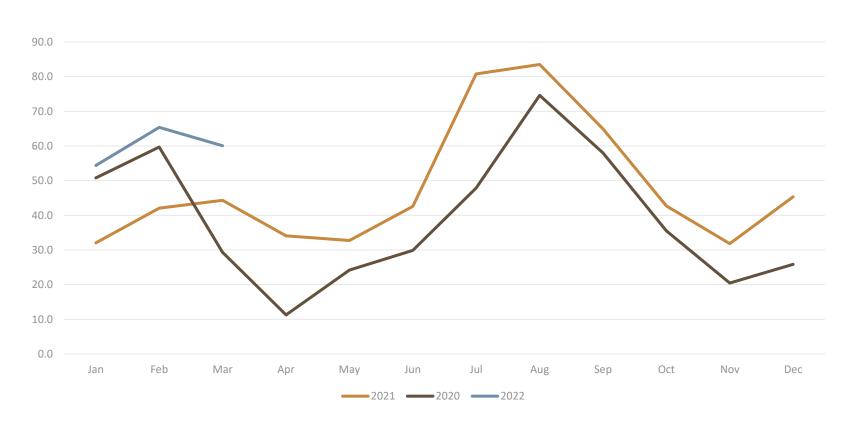
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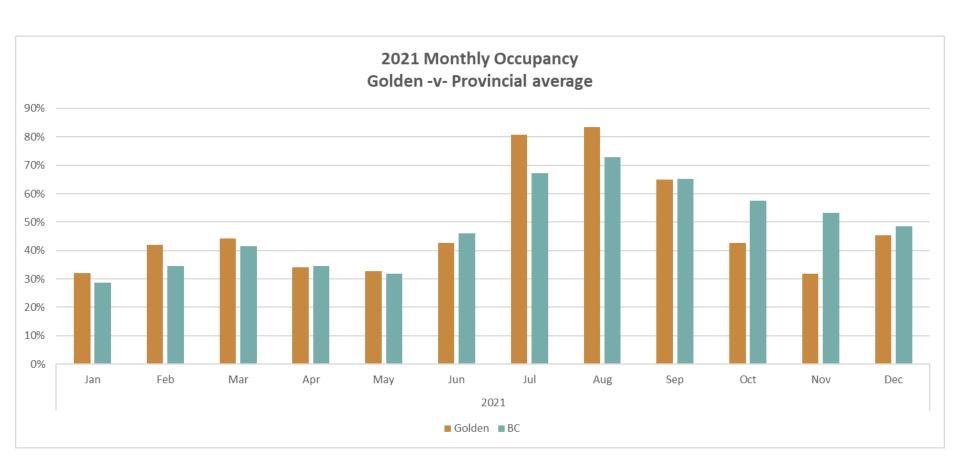


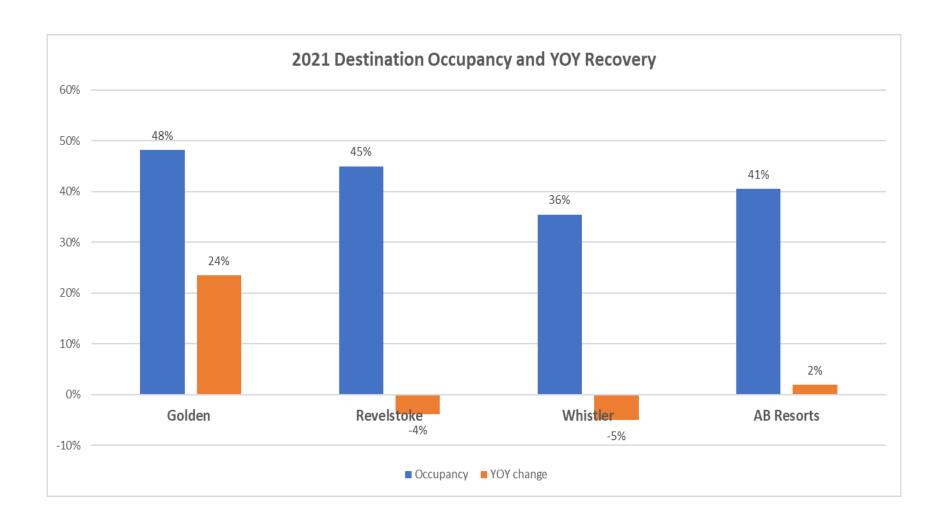
Source: STR Destination Report - Golden

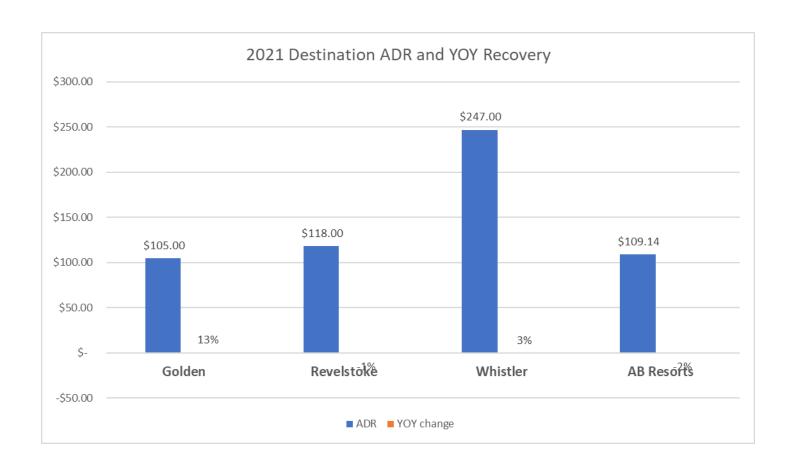
Occupancy by month 2021 -v- 2020



Source: STR Destination Report - Golden







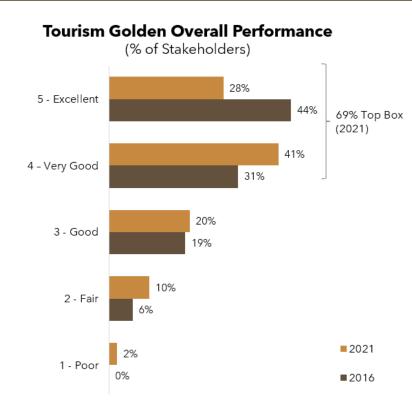
## DMO PERFORMANCE

## **Tourism Golden Overall Business Performance**

Stakeholders were asked to rate the overall performance of TG.

- In 2021, 69% of stakeholders rated TG's overall performance as very good or excellent. This is down 6% from 2016 (75%).
- The decline in performance is most likely related due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. See the below quote from a stakeholder.

'This is probably not the best time to do this survey as tourism is not happening right now and may not be back to where it was a couple years ago, for some time. I don't think any answers will really reflect on the job Tourism Golden is trying to do right now. Sorry Bad timing.'

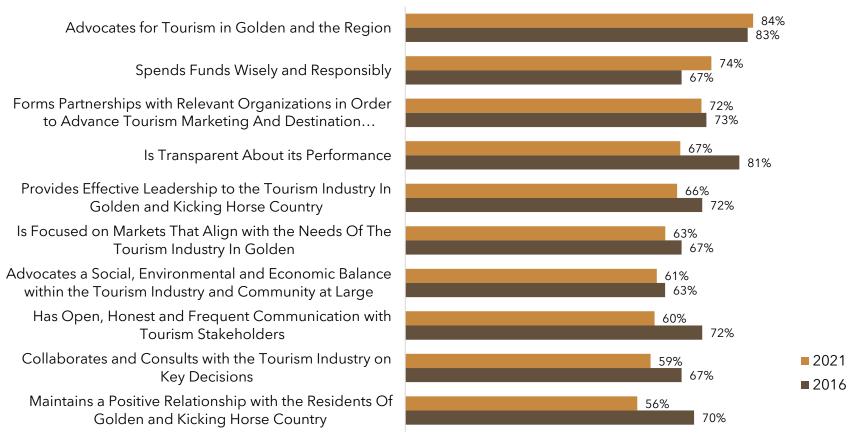


## DMO PERFORMANCE

# **Tourism Golden Business Performance**

#### **Tourism Golden Business Performance**

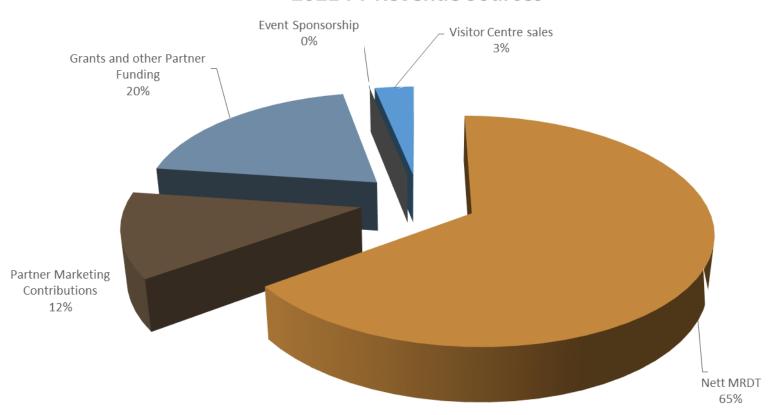
(% of Stakeholders)



Tourism Golden strives to collaborate and be an inclusive, industry-driven organization. How do you rate Tourism Golden's performance on the following ways of conducting business. n=39-51.

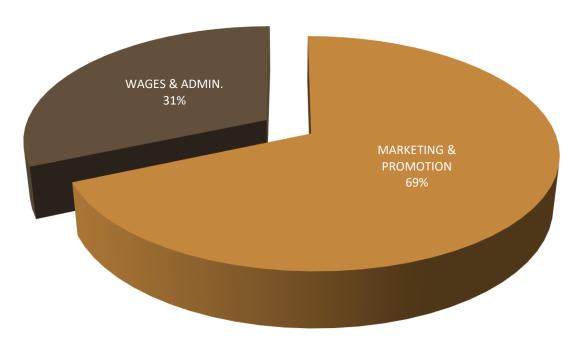
# FINANCIAL

#### **2021 FY Revenue Sources**



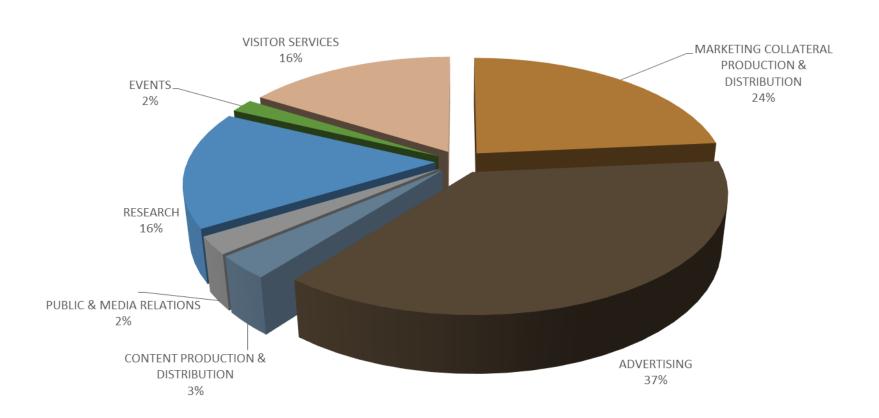
# FINANCIAL

2021 FY
ORGANISATIONAL EXPENSES



# FINANCIAL

#### **2021 FY MARKETING SPEND BY STRATEGY**



#### TACTICAL MARKETING

- □ Target audiences focussed only on AB, BC, ON & QC
- □ Launched US in Aug 2021 ahead of Sept border opening

Channel	Audience/Campaign
Display	Bike
Display	Hike and Outdoor
Display	Ski and Snowboard
Display	Sled
Display	Destination
Facebook Audience	Bike
Facebook Audience	Hike and Outdoor
Facebook Audience	Ski and Snowboard
Facebook Audience	Sled
Facebook Audience	Destination
Facebook Lead	Weddings
Getting To Golden	
Facebook Audience	Getting to Golden
Facebook Retargeting	Getting to Golden
Instagram Audience	Getting to Golden
Instagram Retargeting	Getting to Golden
Accommodation	
Facebook Audience	Accommodation





# 45 million digital impressions

#### DMO PERFORMANCE

# 20 Print advertisements2 Calgary TV campaigns













### DMO PERFORMANCE



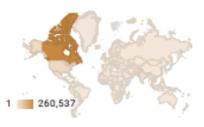
#### WEBSITE ANALYTICS

Jan 1, 2021 - Dec 31, 2021

Unique Users 338,910 Organic Searches 135,629 16.2%

Digital Campaigns
114,365





#### Top 5 Country of Origin by Visit

Country	Sessions *	% ∆
Canada	260,537	13.0% 🛊
United States	34,846	-46.4% ▮
United Kingdom	6,064	-5.9%
Germany	2,211	4.2%
Australia	1,121	-53.1% 🖡

#### **MEDIA RELATIONS**

# 36 features directly resulting from TG activity



It's March, and there aren't many signs of spring in Golden, British Columbia. An unseasonable deep-freeze has walted through the Columbia Valley—where this 3,700-person town is located—and dumped fresh snow on both the Rocky Mountains to the east and the Purcell Mountains to the west of the meandering Columbia River.







Adventure is for Everyone in Golden, BC: Plan Ahead for Sustainable, Responsible Travel

by Alison Karlene Hodgins / May 19, 2021

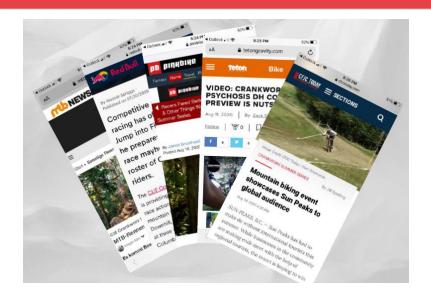


#### **EVENTS**

full-length broadcast shows distributed through EDGEsport and webcast on YouTube, Facebook, and Vimeo

313,593

Total broadcast and webcast views





United States	35.3%
Canada	21.1%
United Kingdom	8.7%
Germany	4.5%
Australia	3.6%
Brazil	3.4%
India	3.1%
France	2.0%
Mexico	1.6%
Spain	1.6%
New Zealand	1.4%

#### LEAD ORGANISATION FOR TOURISM

- □ Representing tourism in Golden
  - □ KHCP4 Community Liaison Committee
- □ Advocacy
  - Labour shortages
  - □ Supported industry bodies in lobbying gvt for industry support

#### RESEARCH

- ☐ Telus Insights 2-year project 2021
- Stakeholder survey
- □ AirDNA
- □ STR Destination
- □ PRIZM Market segmentation

Golden Visitor Segmentation Study PRIZM Analysis

**Tourism Golden** 

**DETAILED SEGMENT SUMMARY** 

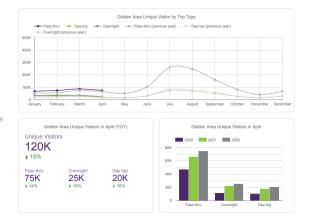


#### Monthly Unique Count

Canadian Visitors
Broken down by trip-type

April 2022

The line chart on this page shows the counts of all Monthly Unique Visitors broken down by trip-type.



TELUS' Insights



Tourism Golden: April 2022

#### **INDUSTRY SUPPORT**

- Regular COVID-19 special stakeholder e-blasts
- Stakeholder messaging toolkit. 'Travelling to Golden during COVID'
- Initiated quarterly online stakeholder gatherings
- Subsidised co-op marketing & asset creation opportunities
- > Stakeholder engagement
  - Survey
  - > 1-2-1 calls
  - Online sessions

# Looking Forward: Responsible Recovery & Destination Stewardship



#### 2022 – 2027 STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

#### Economic Contribution

- Increase overall value of the tourism economy
- Increase average length of visitor stay at all times of year
- •Increase shoulder season occupancy levels and rate

#### Visitor Experience

- Connect more visitors to remarkable experiences via multiple channels
- •Educate visitors to experience a safe and responsible vacation

#### Stakeholder Experience

Deliver enhanced stakeholder programs and support

#### Resident/Community Experience

- Increase resident understanding of the value of the local tourism industry and support for the tourism industry
- Balance resident values with visitor demand and business needs

## **Tourism Golden Business Performance**

Suggestions for better communication were asked of stakeholders who rated communication as poor or fair are shown below (6 stakeholders, 17%). Please note that Tourism Golden already distributes a monthly stakeholder newsletter.

'Sending out monthly newsletters to all those accommodators who collect your 2% tax'

'Nothing that would help my business'

'More advertising'

'I want to hear from my sector Board representatives'

'Have small group or individual meetings to discuss ideas, questions and concerns from stakeholders'

'Consult with environmental groups to alter offerings to protect the environment'

# **Marketing Priorities**

Digital Marketing Priorities	2021 Top Box	2016 Top Box
Tourism Golden Website	81%	80%
Social Media and Blog	80%	86%
Digital Advertising	80%	76%
Digital Mapping and Map Development	65%	68%
Online Booking Engine	50%	NA
Self Guided Touring App	45%	NA
Destination Digital Kiosks	36%	39%

Print Marketing Priorities	2021 Top Box	2016 Top Box
Printed Maps (e.g., outdoor discovery, hiking, biking)	66%	62%
Tourism Golden Travel Planner	53%	59%
Print Advertising	35%	30%

Other Marketing Priorities	2021 Top Box	2016 Top Box
Image and Asset Development	80%	86%
Travel Media Relations	70%	73%
Marketing and Other Research	65%	NA
Consumer Relations (e g , monthly consumer news via email, social engagement)	60%	NA
Travel Trade	48%	58%
Highway Billboards	38%	32%
Consumer Shows	35%	49%

NA = Not applicable, not asked in 2021.

The primary mandate of Tourism Golden is to market and promote Golden and CSRD Area A to visitors. To do so, Tourism Golden considers a wide range of tactical marketing and promotional activities. In your opinion, in the future, how much of a priority should Tourism Golden place on each of the following digital, print or other marketing activities? Please rate each of the following marketing and promotion activities on a 1-5 scale, where 1 = Not a Priority and 5 = Essential. n = 42 - 47.

## **Tourism Products and Experiences Potential**

Strong Potential To Grow (Top 11)	Stakeholder Rating	Lower Potential To Grow (Bottom 11)	Stakeholder Rating
1. Backcountry Skiing	93%	12. Fishing	77%
2. Outdoor Adventure Sporting Events in Golden (e.g., events that involve mtn. biking, road biking, trail running)	91%	13. Whitewater Rafting	76%
3. Visiting National and Provincial Parks	91%	14. Music and Mountain/Community Festivals (e.g., Mountain Festival)	76%
4. Hiking	90%	15. Snowmobiling	73%
5. Mountain Biking	89%	16. Tour Groups/Travel Trade	67%
6. Camping	87%	17. Golf	66%
7. Nordic Skiing	84%	18. Guided Tours	63%
8. Downhill Skiing/Snowboarding	80%	19. Sports Tourism (e.g., tournaments, sports team travel)	58%
9. River/Water Experiences other than Whitewater Rafting	79%	20. Culinary Tourism (e.g., local restaurants, food and beverages)	52%
10. Soft Adventure Products (e.g., zip lining)	79%	21. Downtown Golden Experiences	47%
11. Wildlife Viewing and Bird Watching	78%	22. Arts, Culture and Heritage Tourism	40%

How much potential to grow do you think each of the following tourism products and/or experiences have in Golden? Please rate each of the follow program areas on a 1 -5 scale, where 1 = Low Potential and 5 screen from Growth Potential. n = 44 -47.

# Priorities for Activities Outside of Marketing

Priorities Outside of Marketing	2021 Top Box	2016 Top Box
Destination development to support sustainable and responsible growth of tourism	84%	NA
Community tourism master planning (i.e., Ensuring golden plans for tourism in it's community development initiatives)	84%	83%
Destination management (e.g., Managing the MRDT, working with provincial, regional and community organizations to advance tourism)	82%	83%
Visitor services while in destination (i.e., Ensuring visitors have the information they need while in golden)	80%	NA
Community relations (i.e., Working with the community in golden on behalf of the tourism industry)	78%	72%
Industry development (i.e., Working with industry to develop skills and capacity that ensure outstanding tourism experiences)	73%	73%
Supporting tourism product development (i.e., Providing research, tourism insights and/or by identifying opportunities)	73%	66%
Pre-trip planning (i.e., Ensuring visitors have the information they need while planning their trip to golden)	71%	NA
Communication about the value of the tourism industry to the broader golden community	71%	58%
Supporting community organizations on labour shortages and affordable housing issues	69%	NA
Marketing research and industry performance tracking (i.e., Accurately measuring industry and tourism golden performance)	62%	76%
Obtaining funding for and development of tourism focused transportation (i.e., Seasonal, geared to visitor or tourism businesses staff locations and scheduling, and could also include airport as well as in-destination services)	61%	75%

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As described earlier, this survey will be used to assist in Tourism Golden's strategic planning. In your opinion, how much of a priority should Tourism Golden place on each of the following program areas? n=44.

## DESTINATION MARKETING & RECOVERY

☐ Website upgrade including:
☐ Improved UX
Employer portal for employer managed published job listings
☐ Integrated interactive itinerary planning app — launch Aug 2022
☐ Recommended & custom itineraries with multi-media content
Contests to drive traffic to sponsor businesses
Push notifications to promote events & offers
☐ Hired social media & asset coordinator
☐ Check In Canada launched Dec 2021 - options to:
■ Add activities
☐ Move from referral to transactional booking engine
☐ Continue RMI-supported event hosting program
☐ Marketing Consortium 'Backcountry Touring BC' launching 2022
☐ Consumer monthly news will become more customized

# **Sustainability Initiatives**

Top Rated Sustainability Initiatives (Top 8)	Stakeholder Rating	Lower Rated Sustainability Initiatives (Bottom 7)	Stakeholder Rating
1. Increasing Shoulder Season Visitation	54%	9. Increasing Visitor Yield (i.e. expenditures per visitor)	26%
Enhancing Visitor Information about Responsible Behaviour (e.g., responsible behaviour when visiting local parks, trails, campgrounds, and other outdoor recreation spaces)	54%	10. Affordable Housing Initiatives	26%
3. Understanding, Tracking and Managing Visitor Volume	41%	11. Encouraging Inclusive Tourism Experiences (i.e. everyone can participate in tourism experiences, including and especially those in vulnerable groups)	22%
4. Attracting and Retaining Tourism Labour	33%	12. Enhancing Visitor Information about Backcountry Safety	22%
5. Targeting 'Responsible Tourists' in Marketing Initiatives	33%	13. Working with Golden Tourism Businesses to Reduce Waste and Carbon Emissions	20%
6. Understanding and Tracking Golden Resident Sentiment Towards Tourism	33%	<ol> <li>Developing and Sharing a Responsible Travel - Visitor Code Of Conduct</li> </ol>	20%
7. Encouraging Local Tourism Businesses to Purchase Local Goods, Services and Agriculture Products	28%	15. Enhancing Accessible Tourism Experiences (i.e. people of all abilities have the opportunity to fully participate in tourism experiences)	13%
8. Encouraging New Tourism Product Development is Environmentally Sustainable	28%		

Please check up to five of the following sustainability initiatives that you think are priorities in the foreseeable future? n=46. 46 stakeholders provided 208 responses. The percent totals more than 100% because stakeholders rated up to five sustainability initiatives.

#### **DESTINATION MANAGEMENT**

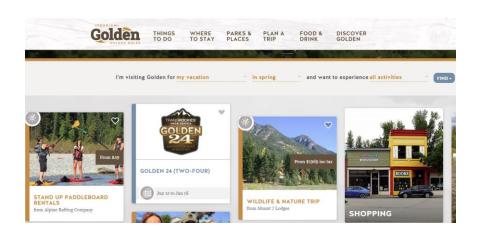
- ☐ Responsible Travel info asset development, webpage & promotion
- Jobs portal and paid work-travel social campaigns
- ☐ Transportation study & strategy development

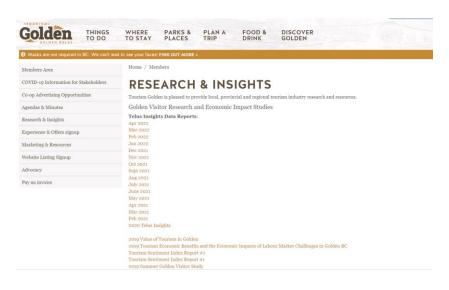


## STAKEHOLDER SUPPORT PROGRAMS

- ☐ Travel Planner & maps
- Website listings
- ☐ Check In Canada booking referral engine
- ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> party print advertising
- ☐ Shared industry research







## STAKEHOLDER SUPPORT PROGRAMS

Member-led Co-op Marketing Program
☐ 50% matching funding for eligible expenses.
☐ Up to \$1,000 per sole applicant.
☐ Up to \$1,500 with two or more partners
Co-op Photo & Video Shoots Winter & Summer
☐ 50% co-op support for professional seasonal photo & video shoots
☐ Details to be announced November 2021
<b>Events Hosting Co-op Program</b>
☐ RMI funding
☐ 50% matching funding for eligible local hosting expenses.

## STAKEHOLDER SUPPORT PROGRAMS

## ☐ MRDT Member Support Program

- ☐ Free TG website listing
- ☐ Free Golden Travel Planner listing
- ☐ Free Check In Canada listing



A free event aimed at connecting employees, businesses and residents with the tourism industry as well as local businesses and community organisations. We want to raise awareness and ensure that everyone in our community is aware of the abundant activities, experiences and businesses in our mountain town to encourage the best outcome at every possible visitor touchpoint.

Date: June 1, 2022

Time: 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Location: Golden Civic Center



## **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Voting

**Announcements** 



## Nominees

For Seat Representing:	Member Organisation	Nominee
Area A Accommodators (1 seat)	Lush Mountain Accommodations	John Lush
Town Accommodators	Ponderosa Motor Inn	Atma Sandher
(2 seats)	Basecamp Lodge Golden	Jordan Egan
General Accommodator (in Town or Area A)	Bellstar Hotels & Resorts	Brandy Beliveau
Tourism Operators (re-electing 1 seat)	Golden Golf Club	Graeme Kreiner
Director (Accommodator or Tourism Operator)	Golden Skybridge	Tristan MacLaggan

## Voting

- Counting of ballots
- Announcement



## 2022-2023 Board of Directors

Sector	Member Organisation	Representative
Town Accommodators	Basecamp Lodge	Jordan Egan
	Ponderosa Motor Inn	Atma Sandher
	Prestige Inn	Treena Coney
Area A Accommodators	Lush Mountain Accommodations	John Lush
	Moberly Mountain Lodge	Lucille Hayward
	Mount 7 Lodges	Jo Best
General Accommodator	Kicking Horse Lodging	Brandy Beliveau
Activity Operators	Golden Golf Club	Graeme Kreiner
	Kicking Horse Mountain Resort	Toby Barrett
	Glacier Raft Company	Ryan Johannesen
	Golden Skybridge	Tristan MacLaggan

# Motion to adjourn



