UNITI PARTNER SHS 2020/2021 ENDS CONSULTATION



Living and Learning

The Ends are a way of showing how SHS is striving to improve and discover what needs more attention so that people are living happy, healthy and safe lives in their communities.

Every year UNITI partner, SHS, reports to the Board of Directors to share how the organization is acting to achieve the three Ends (main goals). The 2020 consultation was around living through and learning from the Covid-19 pandemic.

Questions explored this last year:

- 1. What has been working, is going well, or has gotten better? What are some good things that have happened?
- 1. What has not been working, is not going well, is harder or more difficult? What are some not good things that have happened?
- 1. What are you looking forward to once this is all over? What can help you stay hopeful?

SAS Ends Consultation Committee and UNITI staff had conversations with 111 people to ask, listen and learn. What are you looking forward to once this is all over? What can help you stay hopeful?

Doing fun things again. Get back out in the world.

Semiahmoo House Society Rec and Leisure programs!

Spending time
with family.
To see people's
faces again!

What were your main concerns during Covid-19? (68 Participants chose top 3)

Loneliness 66%

Lack of Fun 60%

Stuck Inside 56%

Changes in my Days 38%

Worried 24%

Lack of Voice 21%

Travel Restrictions 18%

Safety/Health Concerns 9%

Missing Spiritual Services 9%

Safety, health and lack of a voice were some of the least concerning issues for people during the pandemic.

What are some recommendations for SHS?



Look for opportunities to connect people so they are welcomed in their community, and feel more belonging.



Support people to have more control in their lives and be involved in the decision that affect their lives.



Support people to plan for their future through aging, and stay connected to family and friends.



Increase services and access to mental health supports in the SHS community, as well as access to technology.



Opportunities to relax and have fun through vacation, recreational and leisurely activities.



Create more opportunities for people SHS supports to be a leader.



Provide information and communication in plain language for inclusivity and accessibility.



Increase awareness and understanding of the rights of people with disabilities.