

Build Lower Mainland

Stat Pack 2026

Membership



1,000+
Member
Companies

VRCA Across the Lower Mainland

General Contractors, Trade Contractors,
Manufacturers & Suppliers, Professional Services

Challenges

Cost to Build

- Development Cost Charges
- Supply Chain
- Fuel Prices

Time to Build

- Permitting Delays
- Consistent Approvals
- Clear Timelines



People to Build

7,800

Unfilled Jobs
in B.C. by 2035

4,000+

Unfilled Jobs in Lower
Mainland by 2035

Workforce Pipeline

Programs Like Bring Trades to School Are Expanding

850+ Students Engaged and Getting
Hands-On Trades Experience

Building Tomorrow's Communities

\$29 Billion

Construction Contributes
Nearly 10% of B.C.'s GDP

28,173

Number of Construction
Companies in B.C.

260,000+

Construction Workforce in
British Columbia

150,000+

Construction Workforce in
the Lower Mainland

\$145 Billion

Value of Current Projects
in British Columbia

\$82 Billion

Value of Current Projects
in the Lower Mainland

\$173 Billion

Proposed Projects Value
in British Columbia

\$59 Billion

Proposed Projects Value
in the Lower Mainland

Building Solutions Together

Permitting Modernization

Municipalities are beginning to adopt digital permitting and process improvements. Early signs of reduced timelines, but consistency and speed is still needed.

Stronger Industry Voice

VRCA and partners continue to advance construction priorities across all levels of government. Advocacy that builds!

Let's Build Together. Be Part of What Comes Next.



To Deliver Housing, Infrastructure, and Resilient Communities, We Need:

**Faster
Permitting**

**Modern
Procurement**

**A Stronger
Workforce Pipeline**

**Long-Term
Infrastructure Planning**

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