

## **Vancouver Island Community Investment Co-Operative PURPOSES**

The Vancouver Island Community Investment Co-operative works to create a more vibrant economy on Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands that maximizes social, environmental and economic benefits for local communities while being respectful of natural ecological limits. In alignment with this vision, and in collaboration with its members, the Co-operative:

- a. Supports the development of affordable housing and social purpose real estate projects;
- b. Supports business enterprises and economic projects;
- c. Receives donations, investments, and other funds;
- d. Creates investment opportunities;
- e. Provides loans, loan guarantees, grants, and other financial assistance;
- f. Provides assistance with the development, evaluation and assessment of business enterprises and other economic projects
- g. Provides investment services to members and customers (including but not limited to project assessment, risk analysis, related administration and financial services).
- h. Engages in public education and community development and encourages research and development into innovative economic solutions.