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Public Libraries
- Special collections
- Digitization Programs

BC Heritage
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Heritage BC

Sources of the British Columbia Story

BC History
Digitization
Program
- Irving K. Barber

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BC
Historical
Federation

Union
Catalogues
- Memory BC
- LAC Voila

Genealogical
Society
Libraries



Access to Our History

BC Archives

- No Provincial Archivist
- Limited Outreach
- Cost of Remote Access

**Local Government Act and Municipal
Archives Retention**

**Financial Support for Digitizing and Providing
Access to Historic Documents**

This Act is current to May 9, 2018

See the [Tables of Legislative Changes](#) for this Act's legislative history, including any changes not in force.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT **[RSBC 2015] CHAPTER 1**

Part 1 — Purposes and Interpretation

BC Archives -- The Users' Viewpoint

Fees for Research Use of Images

- On site access at the BC Archives in downtown Victoria is free
- Charges for photocopying \$.50/page
- Charges for remote access are \$30 per file
- For users not living in the Greater Victoria area, additional travel and accommodation costs can be prohibitive.
- Fees for University Use of Images, \$25 per image
- Fees for Museums and Archives range from no charge to \$250 per image



BC Archives -- The Publishing Viewpoint

BC Archives licensing fees prohibit use of archival images to further BC's story.



Part I – Fees for Commercial Use (example: *BC History* under 3000 circ.)

- Current fees are in line with the for-profit stock photo agencies like Getty Images whose customer base is primarily businesses rather than publicly funded institution. https://royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/sites/default/files/sites/default/files/images/licensing_fee_schedule_2017.pdf
- User fee for cover use \$400 per image
- User fee for inside use \$25 per image for non-commercial, non-profit
- Reproduction fees range from \$20 to \$40 for a high resolution TIFF file
<https://royalbcmuseum.bc.ca/bc-archives/visit/reproductions#price-list>
- Cartographic reproductions range from \$35 to \$75

BC Archives -- The Publishing Viewpoint

Part II -- Consequences

Many BC Archives images are in the public domain in copyright terms.

This pricing schedule has had an impact on all of our history authors who are supported through *British Columbia History* magazine and BCHF member societies.

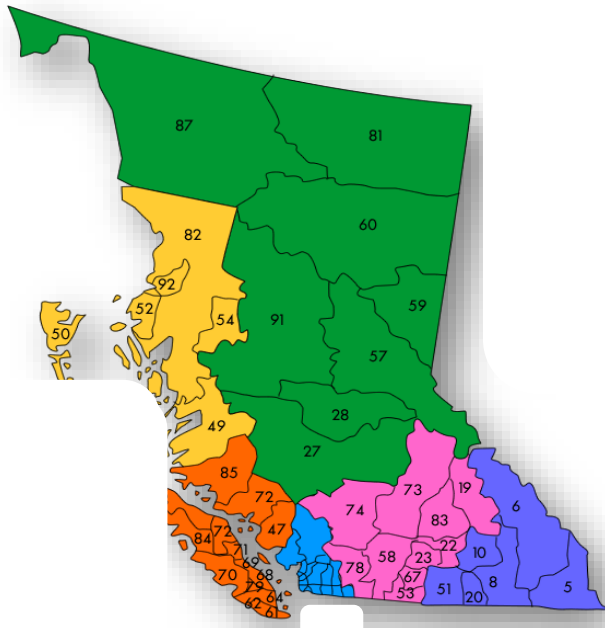
While the British Columbia Historical Federation wants to support their affiliated members (museums and cultural institutions) they also have a role in supporting the interests of their member societies.

Most archives in BC, including the City of Vancouver Archives waive user fees and charge only for reproduction.



Supporting the BC Social Studies Curriculum

Local Curriculum Development Helping Heritage Fairs Grow





Funding Constraints



Stabilized Funding on Five Year Cycle



Education on Funding Sources and Grant Applications



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Preparing for the October 20 Municipal Elections