



# Bee City Renewal 2021

**Name of City, Town, Municipality or First Nation**

T'it'q'et

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**Province**

British Columbia

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**Applicant's Name**

Shawna Riley

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**Applicant's Job Title**

Social Development

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**Organization or Department**

T'it'q'et Administration

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**Are you the primary contact person?**

Yes

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**Pollinator Team Members**

Lakota James - youth Coordinator  
Sasha Riley - Youth Advocate  
Susan Napoleon - Education  
Brandon Barney - Guardian

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**Briefly summarize your Bee City experience during the past year. Please include information about challenges, feedback, and media responses.**

Definitely our challenge was covid-19 related. We usually present and share information at gatherings and such, we were unable to obviously with the restrictions. We made a short video for the Aboriginal Peoples Television Network (APTN) . We are hoping to move forward with a professionally done video. We brought our little pollinator Paqum to life as a little puppet with its own regalia. Pollinator paqum also has a friend Nicole which means butterfly in our language, she as a puppet shows the entire life cycle of the butterfly, so far we have a script but have not completed the video. With the challenge of

supporting our community through the Covid-19 pandemic much of our time has been toward efforts to educate toward that instead of our usual bee city efforts. We do see a light at the end of the tunnel and are going to sponser a major proposal at the pre-school and daycare within our community. Personally i sent a letter to become a member of the new board under transition for pollinator partnership Canada.

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**Please tell us about your community's efforts to reduce the use of pesticides.**

Shelly helped us by writing a letter for us to share with local farms and such, I submitted it to the local newspaper as well. This year I want to focus on soil testing especially on or near our biggest cash crops in lillooet the winery and the new hemp farm as they are possibly pollutiong our waters, fishing and hunting.

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**Outline community initiatives focusing on habitat creation and restoration. If possible, include a plant list.**

We are trying to bring traditional plants back to our community and traditional medicines.

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**How did your community promote being a Bee City?**

We present yearly at seedy sunday and any other opportunity we can sign up for or be invited to.

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**Please tell us about your efforts aimed at educating your community, including residents, city employees, contractors, children and other groups.**

The local newsletter on reserve is where we share bee city news and it is regular practice we grow up with to protect our land and water. We have never and would never harm our eco-system. We strive to plant plants that harmonize with each other to protect from insects and such.

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**Please tell us about your community's participation in National Pollinator Week celebrations and other events.**

this year we will be able to do more, last year was too overwhelming due to the pandemic.

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**Describe your plans for creating, improving and maintaining pollinator habitat during the next year.**

We are going to take part in a huge project at our local day care and preschool by planting traditional plants and teaching our future generations along the way. Every year will be a learning opportunity for the preschool aged children.

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**Provide information about any events, activities or initiatives that you have organized and would like highlighted through our social media channels.**

will provide a video when we film it.

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**Has your City/Town/Municipality/First Nation created a Bee City website or webpage?**

No

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**Bee City Renewal Fees**

Less than 5,000 population - FREE