



PREMIER EBY AND MINISTERS MEET WITH SAVE OUR STREETS

VANCOUVER, B.C. (December 19, 2024) - Premier Eby conducted a virtual meeting with the Save Our Streets (SOS) coalition on Friday, December 13th. In attendance with the Premier were: Hon. Sheila Malcolmson, Minister of Social Development and Poverty Reduction; Hon. Terry Yung, Minister of Community Safety and Integrated Service; Shannon Salter Deputy Minister to the Premier and Deputy Attorney General; and several senior support staff. Public Safety Minister and Solicitor General Garry Begg was unavailable but was represented by staff. Attending on behalf of SOS were co-founders Clint Mahlman and Jess Ketchum.

“We very much appreciate the Premier reaching out,” stated Clint Mahlman, SOS Chair, co-founder and London Drugs President and COO. “While we will not be speaking to the details of the meeting at this time, I can say that the overarching theme was that the Premier and his government recognize that more must be done to address the issues of crime, violence and public disorder, that further action can be anticipated, and that they will collaborate with us and others.”

“This was a much-appreciated meeting, with the Premier assembling so many of his team,” stated SOS co-founder Jess Ketchum. “This gave us an opportunity to discuss public safety issues with the core group in government responsible for the design and implementation of solutions. We were left with the impression the Premier is results-focused, which we appreciate as our membership has been frustrated with the results to date.”

Save Our Streets (SOS) is a non-partisan registered society consisting of 120 community and business organizations from throughout British Columbia that are concerned about the level of crime, violence and public disorder being experienced in B.C. SOS is staging a day long forum, **Communities Driving Change**, on January 23, 2025, at the Wosk Centre for Dialogue in Vancouver. For further information, sponsorship and registration www.saveourstreets.ca

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