October 11th, 2023

Dear Gambier Islanders,

Thank you to all who have completed the Gambier Island Communities Survey which closed on September 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023. We are very pleased to announce that of the 768 people who received the survey, almost 400 completed it, resulting in an **over 50% response rate!** Thank you to everyone that participated in the outreach of the survey as well.

We would like to provide you with an update on the next steps for the REDIP project. There are now four master's students from the UBC School of Community and Regional Planning working on analyzing the survey responses and writing a proposal for the next phase of the project. The personal bios of these students are attached in a pdf below if you wish to learn more about them and their diverse backgrounds.

We will continue to update you on the status of the GICA REDIP project and will be engaging with you further soon. If you have any questions regarding the project, please contact **gambierredip@gmail.com**.

Best regards,

The Gambier Island Community Association Board,

The GICA REDIP Oversight Committee (Carmela Allevato, Elizabeth Carriere, Elaine Davies, Todd Elyzen, Zeno Farinelli, Torsten Kehler, Sophia Khan, Jeanne Mikita, Carol Petroski, Emily Pickett, Rod Robertson and Deb Wainwright) and

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