

# DEPARTMENT

Financial Operations Accounts Payable

CAMPUS

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FUNDING YEAR

2019

# ABOUT HWIP

The Healthy Workplace
Initiatives Program (HWIP) is
an annual fund available to
UBC departments and units
to support grassroots
activities that promote
wellbeing in the workplace.
The program provides startup funds and support for
health-related, sustainable
initiatives.

# PROJECT DESCRIPTION

As the Accounts Payable team of the Financial Operations unit grew, they needed to move to a new office located in Wesbrook Village. When staff were asked what they needed and wanted as they made this transition to the new satellite office, the idea of a bikeshare emerged.

Its goals were to allow staff members to travel between the satellite office and the main office in a cost effective, time saving, and healthy way. Staff were involved in choosing one bicycle and one tricycle, and a scheduling system was created for reserving and signing them out.

# VALUABLE OUTCOMES

The bike and trike are used regularly for travel between offices as well as for leisure. The bikeshare has helped maintain a sense of connection between the main office and the satellite office. With the ease of traveling between the two offices, staff members are more easily able to meet in person for both work and social purposes.

Staff members also ride the bike and trike for leisure - to ride around Wesbrook Village during breaks, to ride to lunch spots that are out of walking distance, to meet with friends and colleagues for lunch, or to attend events across campus.

"So they would just jump on the bike or trike and still meet a friend from the main office and do lunch together."

# SUSTAINABILITY

The bike and trike will continue to be available for staff to use for years.

UBC WELLBEING
STRATEGIC
FRAMEWORK
PRIORITY AREAS

Physical Activity

Social Connection

Built & Natural Environments

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