

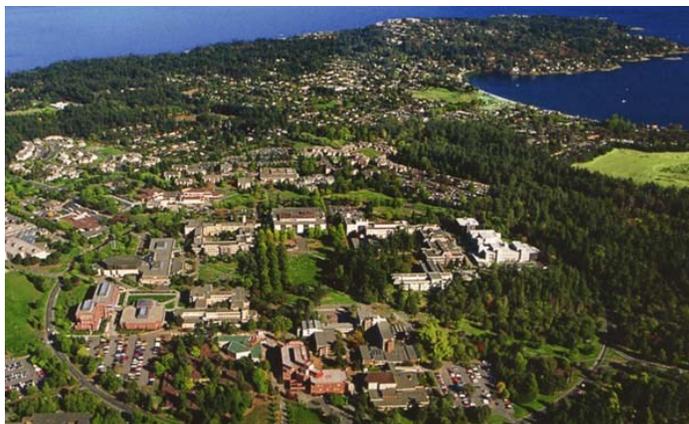
## Pacific Regional Conference May 3-5, 2019 University of Victoria, Victoria, BC

### Creating the Political Will to End Extreme Poverty

The RESULTS Pacific Regional Conference will be held this year on the beautiful campus of the University of Victoria at one of the prettiest times of the year.

We are still arranging the program, but we already have four exceptional speakers, who are featured below. Svend and Sonia are well-known politicians in Canada, who have been involved in several aspects of ending poverty in their long careers and will speak on different aspects of the causes and solutions for extreme poverty. Garry is an amazing

volunteer who will talk on making sure aid projects are sustainable, while Zelda will portray one of Canada's great human rights activists. Starting with dinner Friday evening and ending with lunch on Sunday, we will pack the intervening period with well-known speakers, educational sessions and workshops.



#### Svend Robinson

Svend served as a federal Member of Parliament from Burnaby/Vancouver for over twenty-five years.

In 2009, he began work with The Global Fund based in Geneva, where he coordinated the Fund's engagement with Parliamentarians around the world, in both the global north and south. He worked with a respected global body that is saving lives around the world and is on the front lines of prevention, treatment and care on the three pandemics, while also reducing maternal and child mortality and strengthening health systems in the poorest countries.

The Global Fund is the largest funder of international programmes to fight TB and Malaria, and funds some 25% of all international HIV/AIDS pre-

#### Viola Desmond Portrayed by Zelda Foxall

Viola Irene Desmond (1914 – 1965) was a Canadian businesswoman of Black Nova Scotian descent. In 1946 she challenged racial segregation at a cinema in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia by refusing to leave a whites-only area of the Roseland Theatre. For this she was convicted of a minor tax violation for the one-cent tax difference between the seat she had paid for and the seat she used, which was more expensive.



**Zelda Foxall** is a talented actress and RESULTS volunteer, who has portrayed many famous historical figures over the years.

## Sonia Furstenau

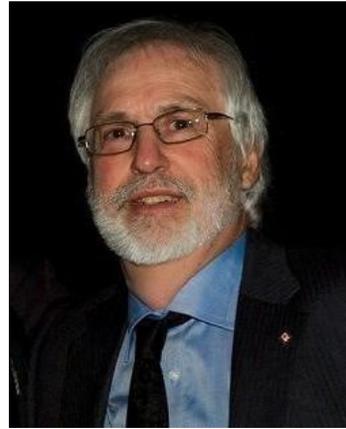


Sonia is a long-time RESULTS activist who many of you already know. She served on the Canadian board for many years and was active in Victoria.

In 2014 she was elected to serve as a director of the Cowichan Valley Regional District and then in the 2017 provincial

election, she was elected to the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia as a member of the Green Party of British Columbia caucus. Prior to elected office, she was a high school teacher in Victoria and Shawnigan Lake. She has a BA and MA in history from the University of Victoria and lives in Shawnigan Lake with her husband, Blaise Salmon.

## Garry Brooks



Garry retired from the Forest Sector 17 years ago and since then has been working on Community Development projects in Africa. Most of that time in Zambia, creating sustainable community forests, teaching environmental education and explaining the changing climates to rural communities. He was awarded the CIF's *International Achievement Award* in 2008 for his work in Zambia and in 2012, was named a *Paul Harris Fellow* by the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International. His books '*Guidelines to a Sustainable Community Forest*' and '*Mr. Garry's book of Zambia trees*' are used across Africa.

## Our Organization

The vision of RESULTS is "A world without extreme poverty". Our Mission is "To generate the political will to end extreme poverty".

We are a global movement of passionate citizens, committed to raising our voices for a world without extreme poverty. We combine the voices of our grassroots advocates with strategic advocacy efforts to leverage millions of dollars for programs and improved policies that give the world's poorest people the health, education, and opportunity they need to thrive.



**Our 2016 Delegates**

## Conference Details

The conference runs from 5pm Friday to 2pm Sunday. Two dinners and two lunches are provided.

Accommodation is in student dormitories with each person getting their own single room.

Information: Contact Sam Weller at [sam.weller@shaw.ca](mailto:sam.weller@shaw.ca) or 250-598-6871

## Registration

The price for the conference is \$240 Canadian (includes full accommodation) and \$120 Canadian (without accommodation)

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