



Project's purpose

We created a private, community collection of digitized *sxwōxwiyám* and *sqwélqwel* reference materials. This includes an array of maps, transcriptions, letters, government documents, privy council meeting notes, books, research guides, newspaper clippings, and historical pictures. The database will be a holistic catalog of past and present sources.

Digitization

We are in the process of working towards creating an online database for community members. Currently, PDFs are installed into a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet. Each PDF/PNG is labelled with the contributor, publication date, subject keywords, summaries, and citations. This Excel sheet will be processed through the metadata software to create the functioning online database.

Community Engagement

Each member of the Kwantlen First Nation has a story to tell. We encourage all members to consider donating digital copies of family photographs, artwork, written or verbal Indigenous knowledge. Pictures from the late 19th century to the current day will be shared on our Instagram page. Our research assistants are also capable of digitally restoring damaged pictures. This project also foresees other community activities such as the colourization of black and white photographs.

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**SXWŌXWIYÁM AND
SQWÉLQWEL REFERENCE
MATERIALS DIGITIZED**

449

**ITEMS LOGGED INTO THE
DATABASE**

255

**HISTORICAL
PHOTOGRAPHS CITED**

"P01623", Courtesy of Maple Ridge Museum. c.1859.



"50405", Courtesy of New Westminster Archives. 1887.



"17843", Courtesy of New Westminster Archives. c.1866.



"98018", Courtesy of New Westminster Archives. 1908.

