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### The Public Guardian and Trustee of British Columbia releases 2021-2022 Annual Report

VANCOUVER, OCTOBER 21, 2022 – The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) of British Columbia released its 2021-2022 annual report today.

This report provides the comprehensive audited performance report and financial statements of the PGT over the 2021-2022 fiscal period. It also highlights major accomplishments over the year, and addresses societal trends and other factors that affect the PGT's work.

"The pandemic created space for us to re-examine some of our core activities to ensure that they continue to meet client expectations," says Dana Kingsbury, the Public Guardian and Trustee. "We are taking action to align our policy, procedure and training and bolster transparency and administrative fairness while focusing attention on diversity and reconciliation."

In the reporting period of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022, the PGT met or exceeded 17 of its 18 performance targets. In addition, the PGT started the client collaboration project to improve digital service delivery and accessibility of online information to clients.

"The 2021-2022 annual report highlights strides made by the PGT to increase efficiencies that will support the provision of the best possible service to clients," continued Kingsbury.

During the period under review, the PGT contributed to various law reforms and is currently partnering in the review of Part 3 of the Adult Guardianship Act which outlines the British Columbia adult protection framework.

Highlights of the report can be viewed [here](#), while the complete 2021-2022 annual report can be found on the PGT website [here](#).

#### About the Public Guardian and Trustee

The Public Guardian and Trustee (PGT) is a corporation sole established under the Public Guardian and Trustee Act with a unique statutory role to protect the interests of British

Columbians who lack legal capacity to protect their own interests. The mandate of the PGT is to:

- Protect the legal and financial interests of children under the age of 19 years;
- Protect the legal, financial, personal and health care interests of adults who require assistance in decision making; and
- Administer the estates of deceased and missing persons.

During 2021-2022, the PGT served 26,675 clients and administered \$1.3 billion of client trust assets.

For more information about the PGT, visit [www.trustee.bc.ca](http://www.trustee.bc.ca).

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