

## Sunshine Coast Hospice Society by Numbers

**Clients per month** supported by our volunteers: **100**  
*(Approximately 30 people of these are living with a life-threatening illness;  
70 are bereaved)*

**New clients** supported in 2016: **129**

**Trained hospice volunteers:** **75**

Hours of **orientation/training** provided to new volunteers: **33**

People who would have died alone if hospice volunteers were not available: **20**  
*(Our volunteers provide **vigils** for guests in our Hospice rooms; for residents in care at  
Shorncliffe, Totem and Christenson Village; and for families at home)*

8-week adult **grief groups** held: **9**  
6-week young adult **expressive arts groups** held: **2**

Visitors who stopped by our tables at the Gibsons and Sechelt Mall during our annual  
**Lights of Life** event held in late November–December: **526**

People who attended our **Solstice Tea** on December 21: **45**

People who attended our annual **Lighting the Memories** ceremonial bonfire held  
January 1 at Mission Point Park: **80**

Community members who attended our **Advance Care Planning**  
workshops and follow-up: **120**

**Hours** our **75 hospice volunteers** gave during our 2016/17 fiscal year: **4,648**

**Hours** donated by our **14-member board** during our 2016/17 fiscal year: **2,692**

**Palliative deaths** in our community in 2016: **135**  
*(50% increase since 2013)*

**Palliative deaths supported** by SCHS volunteers: **63 (47%)**

People on the Hospice Room **waitlist** who could not access these rooms  
because they were occupied: **28**

People who **died in hospital** who could have been better served  
in our Hospice Rooms: **16**

People who **died at home** and could have been better served in our Hospice Rooms: **2**