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## News Release

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### **The Haven Announces New Director of Operations**

Gabriola Island, British Columbia – The Haven is proud to welcome Kelvin Pitcher to the position of Director of Operations. Pitcher brings a wealth of experience in management to The Haven where he will oversee the general operations of The Haven including capital improvements, finance and accounting, IT systems, facility maintenance, kitchen and housekeeping.

As Senior Manager of Contract Services and External Service Management at the Government of Alberta, Pitcher oversaw contracted business operations, as well as several personnel and an Ebusiness Help Desk.

Pitcher also spent 10 years with NORTEL in various senior management positions including within the Global Operations Group, accessing international investment opportunities, and led a multi-year large team effort in acquiring a license to manufacture with a joint venture partner in Brazil. Pitcher also managed data centres, technical training centres and various IT related groups for the company.

After vacationing on Gabriola for many years, pitcher, his wife and four kids moved to Gabriola from Edmonton in 2006. “It’s been a real family dream of the last 15 years to move permanently to Gabriola where we’ve been vacationing as a family during the summers.” Says Pitcher. He added, “I’m just as excited about the opportunity to work with the staff and board members at The Haven.”

Since 1983, The Haven has offered experiential programs for personal and professional growth and development, emphasizing self-responsibility, effective communication, healthy relationships, creative expression and integration of body-mind-spirit. Haven programs help people live their lives more fully and with deeper awareness of themselves and others. A not for profit charitable organization registered in the US and Canada, The Haven is located on Gabriola Island, BC, Canada.

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