



Polson Tower is part of the Kelowna and Vernon Hospitals Project, a \$432 million project designed to build better care for Interior residents. The Polson Tower is named after Samuel Polson, who donated the VJH site in 1908.

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Opened in October, 2011, the Polson Tower adds 16,815 square metres (181,000 square feet) to the VJH site.

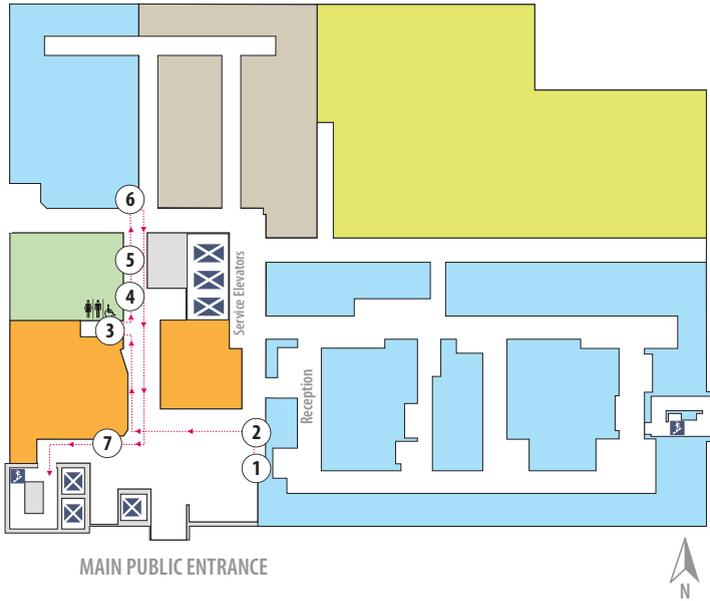
Highlights of the new tower include:

- Expanded emergency department, operating rooms, ambulatory care and outpatient clinics
- New intensive care and coronary care units
- New Women's and Children's ward
- More efficient Medical Device Reprocessing Department (MDR)
- New ambulance space.

Polson Tower was designed and built to LEED Gold standards; LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) is a third-party certification program and an internationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings.

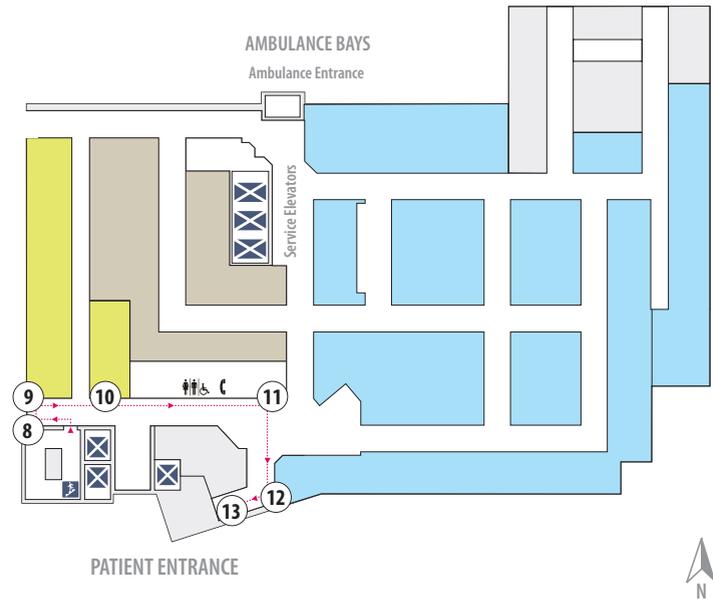
Polson Tower has been awarded points based on meeting specific performance criteria that outperform typical building practices for sustainable development. Follow the map to learn more about how Polson Tower incorporates best practice in energy and environmental design.

Main Floor (Public Entrance)



- ① **Lighten Up** Polson Tower uses 45% less energy than a conventional building.
- ② **Good Wood** Almost 90% of the wood products are certified by the Forestry Stewardship Council which is internationally recognized to ensure responsible forest management.
- ③ **Every Drop Counts** Water efficient fixtures will reduce water consumption by more than 40%.
- ④ **Lean and Mean** Almost a quarter of the building materials incorporate recycled content.
- ⑤ **Waste Not, Want Not** 90% of construction waste was diverted from the landfill. Recycling construction materials protects natural resources and ensures materials for future generations.
- ⑥ **Stay Close** More than 36% of materials were sourced regionally reducing CO2 emissions & transportation costs, while supporting local industry.
- ⑦ **No Trespassing** Site lighting has been designed to protect the nocturnal environment.

Lower Level



- ⑧ **Spic and Span** Environmentally friendly housekeeping practices and cleaning products protect indoor air quality and environmental health.
- ⑨ **Rain is a Resource** The irrigation system is fed by a cistern that collects storm water from the roof and other hard surfaces.
- ⑩ **Take a Deep Breath** Low-emitting VOC adhesives, sealants, paints, coatings, carpet systems and composite wood products support high quality indoor air.
- ⑪ **Operation Optimize** Energy and water use are monitored extensively to reduce the building's ecological impact.
- ⑫ **Breathe Easy** A variety of best practices for air quality management were used during construction.
- ⑬ **Learn and Grow** Valuable data on building design and construction will improve the future.