

**REPORT TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2017**

SUBJECT Capital Regional District Grants Update

ISSUE

This report provides an update since the previous Finance Committee meeting.

BACKGROUND

The Capital Regional District (CRD) Grants Dashboard (Appendix A) summarizes grant calls and agreements in progress, as well as grants awarded since January 1, 2015. The information in this report is current as of the report submission deadline of October 16, 2017.

Grants / Contributions Awarded

Plan H - BC Healthy Communities Society (BCHC)

The CRD has been awarded a grant of \$10,000 from the BCHC to develop, in collaboration with multi-sectoral partners, a strategic plan for promoting health and social equity in the Capital Region.

Other Grant Awards

Three other grant awards for the region remain unreported due to a news embargo pending official public notice of the grants.

Grant Applications Submitted or In Progress

Abandoned Boats Program

In keeping with CRD Board direction at the August 2, 2017 meeting, a grant application has been submitted to Transport Canada's Abandoned Boat Program (\$100,100) for the Boat Education and Awareness Project phase of the program. Work is in progress on an application for the Abandoned Boat Assessment and Removals phase.

Age-Friendly Communities

In collaboration with the Moving Around Pender Alternative Transportation Society, the CRD is preparing an application for a grant to support the Community Bus Pilot Project.

New Grant Opportunities Announced Since the Last Grants Report

No new grant opportunities announced to report.

GRANTS FORECAST

Work continues on negotiating the Integrated Bilateral Agreements between the Federal Government and the Provinces/Territories regarding infrastructure investment through existing and new funding program initiatives. In the meantime, the CRD convened a meeting with Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to get insight on trends and priorities that will shape grant

programs in the future. The session was held on October 12 and all municipalities were invited to participate.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:
That this report be received for information.

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Appendix A: CRD Grants Dashboard