

**REPORT TO THE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE COMMITTEE
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

SUBJECT Capital Regional District External Grants Update

ISSUE

This report provides an update on external grants activity since the submission deadline for the previous report (July 3, 2019) through to the deadline of August 17, 2019, for this report.

BACKGROUND

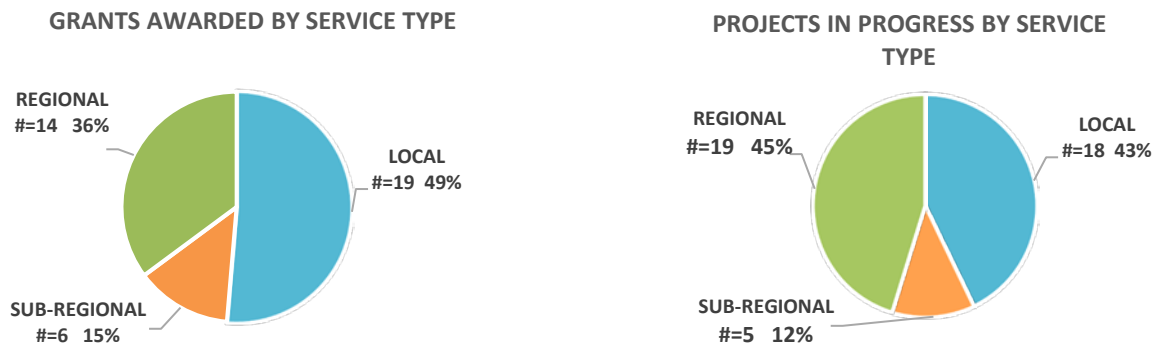
The CRD External Grants Dashboard (Appendix A) summarizes grant applications and calls in progress, awards, and the status of projects still in progress. The CRD Grants Meter (Table 1) summarizes grant activity and outcomes since the 2018 External Grant Outcomes Report presented to committee on June 6, 2018.

As grant cycles typically span more than one year and each project moves through a cycle unique to its respective grant program, input totals such as funding requested and output totals such as funding awarded will not balance in any reporting period or year. In other words, a grant application in one year may be awarded in the following year; therefore the input/output reporting for this project will occur over two years causing a gap in the input/output totals in both years.

TABLE 1: CRD Grants Meter: Year-to-date External Grants Activity (As of April 30, 2018)

MEASURE	REGIONAL	SUB-REGIONAL	LOCAL	TOTAL	CHANGE
Grant Opportunity Alerts				80	11
Applications Submitted	14	5	21	40	1
Grants Awarded:					
Publicly announced	14	6	19	39	2
Embargo in progress	1	0	0	1	no change
Partnerships In Progress	8	0	0	8	no change
Applications Declined	3	2	5	10	no change
Applications pending outcome	8	1	6	15	-1
Total funding requested	\$55.321 M	\$.197 M	\$9.075 M	\$64.593 M	\$ -
Total funding awarded:					
Publicly announced	\$58.022 M	\$.031 M	\$2.42 M	\$60.473 M	\$.082 M
Embargoed	\$.705 M	-	-	\$.705 M	\$ -
TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED	\$58.727 M	\$.031 M	\$2.42 M	\$61.178 M	\$.082 M

Note: This excludes CAWTP and RHFP grants of \$489 M that have also been awarded.



Grants / Contributions Awarded

Three (3) grants were awarded, totalling \$1,791,659.57:

1. BC Hydro Business Energy Savings Incentive Program (\$21,600): for Panorama lighting retrofit.
2. Regional District Basic Grant (\$60,000): All regional districts and the Islands Trust receive a grant to assist with their administration costs.
3. Community Works Fund Payment (\$1,710,059.57): In accordance with the Community Works Fund Agreement, the CRD received its first installment and the one-time payment for fiscal year 2019/2020.

In addition, one (1) grant award notification totalling \$705,000 remains under news embargo.

New Applications Submitted

One (1) new application submitted:

1. New Horizons for Seniors: SSI Library Air Conditioning Upgrade to enhance comfort for seniors.

New Applications in Progress

1. *Clean BC*: Collaboration with BC Hydro: As a result of connecting with the program officer for the *CleanBC Building Innovation Fund*, Panorama was advised to work directly with BC Hydro, as the project aligns with a provincial retrofit incentive program under CleanBC. Resources are accessed by working in partnership with BC Hydro toward accomplishing showcase projects.

Partnerships in Progress

No new partnerships launched during the period:

New Grant Opportunities

Eleven (11) grant calls were issued during the reporting period with deadlines as noted. Grant calls in progress for which the CRD is eligible to apply are featured in Appendix A (see page 7–8).

1. Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions (PICS) – Opportunity Projects Program: (Deadline: August 2, 2019) The PICS Opportunity Projects Program advances new entrants and unleashes emerging leaders with innovative research ideas and approaches for climate change mitigation and adaptation.
2. National Housing Strategy Research and Planning Fund: (July 26, 2019) The fund provides support for housing research which includes four funding streams: Individual research projects; Program for research; Planning activities designed to identify research priorities or lay the groundwork for research; Knowledge mobilization projects.
3. TD Friends of the Environment: (July 15, 2019) The TD Friends of the Environment Foundation supports a wide range of environmental initiatives. Eligible projects include green space initiatives, park revitalization, community gardens, park programming and citizen science initiatives.
4. UBCM Community Resiliency Investment Program: (October 18, 2019) The program is intended to reduce the risk and impact of wildfire to communities in BC through community funding, supports and priority fuel management activities on provincial crown land.
5. Community Gaming Grants: (July 31, 2019) The program provides all eligible not-for-profit community organizations in the province with access to funding for the delivery of approved programs in their community. The grants provide funding to seven sectors Capital; Environment; Public Safety; Human and Social Services; Arts and Culture; Sport; Parent Advisory Councils.
6. Participatory Research Grants: (July 22, 2019) The grant support research that is co-led by community members and researchers to learn more about the root causes of pressing issues impacting the health of communities.
7. Systems Change Grants: (July 22, 2019) The grant support projects that take action to address the root causes of pressing social, environmental or cultural issues by influencing the behaviours of populations, organizations, and institutions.
8. Enhance Surveillance for Chronic Disease Program: (July 17, 2019) The grant provides funding to organizations to enhance their capacity for public health chronic disease and injury surveillance activities in order to address persistent public health surveillance evidence gaps.
9. Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Demonstration Program: (October 18, 2019) The program aims to accelerate the market entry of next generation clean energy infrastructure, by supporting demonstration projects of innovative EV charging and H2 refuelling technologies, which will lead to an increased uptake of ZEVs.
10. Level Youth Granting: (August 9, 2019) The grant provides funding to charities and other qualified donees across the province to engage Indigenous and racialized immigrant and refugee young people in staff leadership and board governance.
11. Address Improvement Grant: (First come/first served) CivicSpatial Grant Program funding is available to support AddressBC data quality improvement. This grant program will provide a one-time grant of \$1,000 to eligible Local Government and First Nations ICI Society members to improve the accuracy of submitted address data.

Forthcoming Funding Initiatives

1. No new funding initiatives launched during the period:.

Wastewater Treatment Plant – Grant Revenue

As of the deadline for this report, funding received on grant claims is \$84,443,057.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Governance and Finance Committee recommend to the Capital Regional District Board:
That the Capital Regional District External Grants Update be received for information.

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Appendix A: External Grants Dashboard