

**REPORT TO CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019**

SUBJECT Capital Regional District External Grants Update

ISSUE SUMMARY

This report provides an update on external grants activity since the submission deadline for the previous report (October 16, 2019) through to the deadline for this report of November 16, 2019.

BACKGROUND

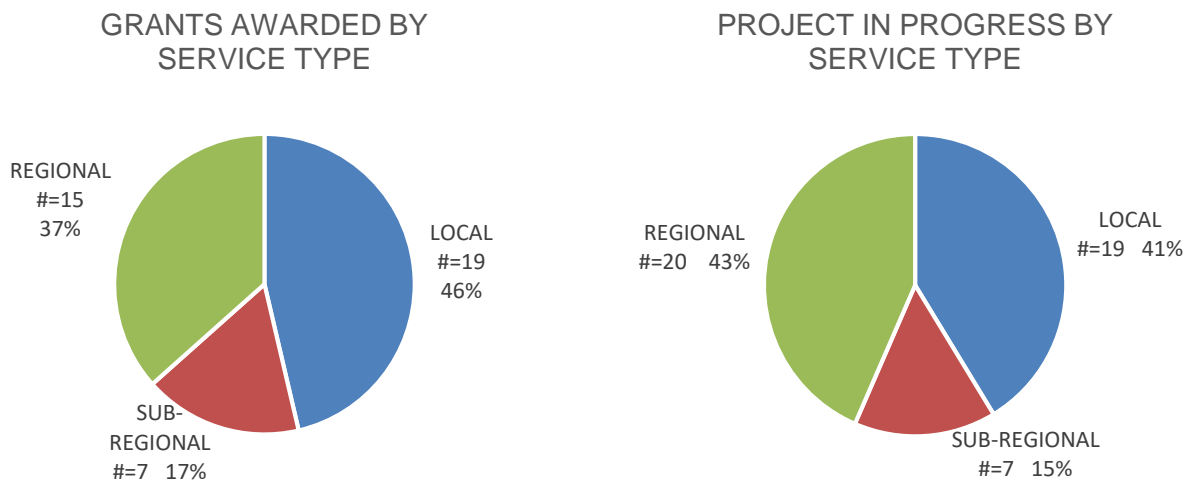
The CRD External Grants Dashboard (Appendix A) summarizes grant applications and calls in progress, awards, and the status of projects still in progress. The CRD Grants Meter (Table 1) summarizes grant activity and outcomes since the 2018 External Grant Outcomes Report presented to committee on June 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				99	4
Applications Submitted	15	7	23	45	2
Grants Awarded:					
Publicly announced	15	7	19	41	1
Embargo in progress	1	0	0	1	-1
Partnerships In Progress	9	0	0	9	1
Applications Declined	3	2	5	10	no change
Applications pending outcome	8	1	8	17	2
Total funding requested	\$55.325 M	\$.897 M	\$9.845 M	\$66.067 M	\$.77 M
Total funding awarded:					
Publicly announced	\$58.727 M	\$.051 M	\$2.42 M	\$61.198 M	\$.02 M
Embargoed	\$3. M	\$. M	-	\$3. M	\$3. M
TOTAL FUNDING AWARDED	\$61.727 M	\$.051 M	\$2.42 M	\$64.198 M	\$3.02 M

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



ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1

That the Capital Regional District External Grants Update be received for information

IMPLICATIONS

Financial Implications

Grants / Contributions Awarded

1. Rick Hansen Foundation BC Accessibility Grants (\$20,000): for making accessibility improvements in Panorama Recreation Center.

One (1) grant award notification totalling \$3,000,000 remains under news embargo.

One (1) grant award received an approval in principle notification. Funding contributions will be confirmed if final approval is secured.

New Applications Submitted

1. *Provincial Urban Deer Cost – Share Program (PUDOCs)*: (Applicant: Southern Gulf Island Electoral Area) The Southern Gulf Islands Electoral Area of the CRD is applying into the PUDOCs program to reduce fallow deer populations on Mayne Island.
2. Community Child Care Space Creation Program: (Applicant: SSI Park Land and Recreation Programs) An expansion of the Rainbow Road Aquatic Centre to include a 1500 square foot dividable multipurpose room, a universal washroom and storage room for the purpose of licensed child care and recreation programs.

New Applications in Progress

No new application in progress at this reporting period.

Wastewater Treatment Plant – Grant Revenue

As of the deadline for this report, funding received on grant claims is \$106,641,675.

Service Delivery Implications

Partnerships in Progress

1. Enhancement and Restoration Grants – Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation: CRD Watershed Division and Regional Parks have partnered with regional organizations District of Sooke, T'Sou-ke First Nation, Regional Invasive Species Program, and Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to seek funding to the eradication of knotweed in the Sooke and Charters Rivers.

New Grant Opportunities

Four (4) 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. Adapting to Climate Change – Intact Foundation: (Deadline: November 30, 2019) The Intact Foundation is investing \$1 million in charities and communities that are developing practical and effective solutions that help protect people and communities from floods, wildfires, extreme heat, wind, and hail. There are three distinct project types that the fund is looking to support, which are fostering ideas, testing concepts and scaling projects.
2. *Infrastructure Planning Grant Program – BC Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing*: (Deadline: January 15, 2020) The program is intended to fund projects involving the development of sustainable infrastructure that will improve public health and safety.
3. *Gender Equity in Recreation Sport – Canadian Parks and Recreation Association (CPRA)*: (Deadline: December 15, 2019) CPRA is implementing a number of initiatives, informed by best practices and evidence, in an effort to increase the participation and retention of women and girls in recreational sport in Canada. This effort supports the Government of Canada (Sport Canada) funding commitment to achieve gender equity in sport at every level by 2035.
4. *Broadband Fund - Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission*: (Deadline: March 27, 2020) The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) established the Broadband Fund to assist in funding projects to build or upgrade access and transport infrastructure for fixed and mobile wireless broadband internet access services, in order to close the gap in connectivity in underserved areas.

Forthcoming Funding Initiatives

No new forthcoming funding initiatives identified during this period.

CONCLUSION

The CRD recognizes grants as a supplementary funding source in providing services to the region. The external grant update report outlines how the CRD continues to integrate grant opportunities into service needs as well as share these opportunities with local partners through the grant dashboard. The CRD will continue to develop the external grant update report on a monthly basis.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Capital Regional District External Grants Update be received for information

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Appendix A: External Grants Dashboard