

**REPORT TO CAPITAL REGIONAL DISTRICT BOARD  
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 08, 2020**

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**SUBJECT**     CRD External Grants 2019 Annual Report

**ISSUE SUMMARY**

This report provides a summary of the Capital Regional District (CRD) external grants activity and awards for the period of January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.

**BACKGROUND**

In 2015, the CRD introduced a grants dashboard to provide the Board with a detailed monthly update with the staff report on the organization's participation in external grant programs. The previous Grant Outcomes Report covered January 1, 2014 – April 30, 2018. Going forward, an annual report will be prepared, and a four (4) year report will also be prepared to coincide with the end of the Board's term.

External grant programs are highly competitive and unpredictable, which can lead to varying statistics from year to year. The CRD's goal is to maximize receiving relevant grant funding opportunities in alignment with service planning. To achieve this goal, the CRD has a set of activities and key performance indicators to measure the effectiveness of these processes.

**GRANT HIGHLIGHTS**

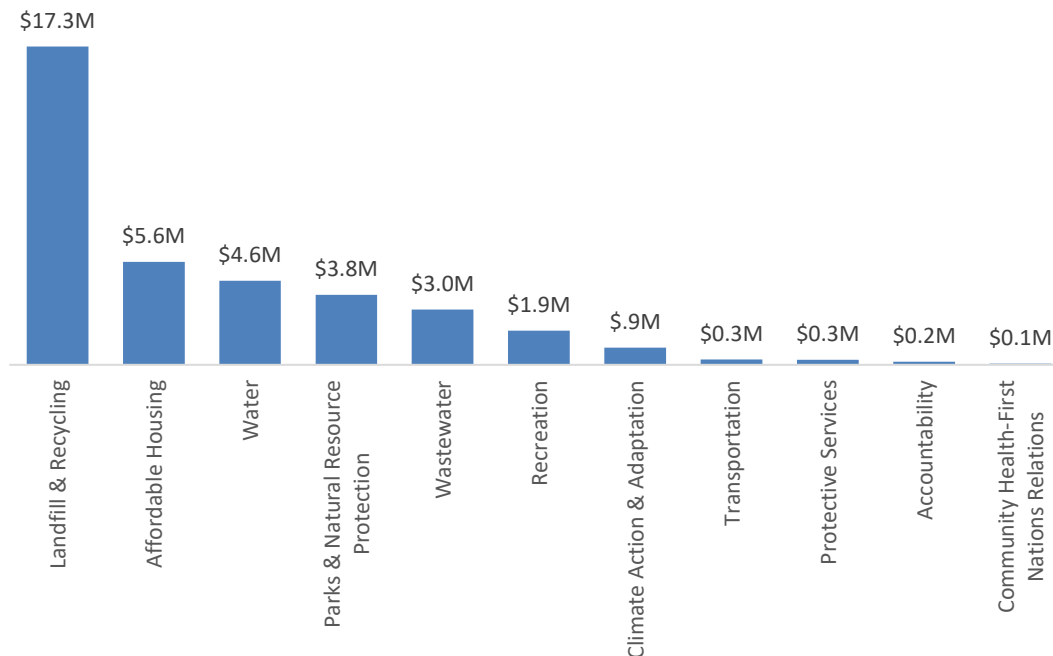
The following table includes grants applied to and awarded in 2019, and does not include grants that remain under embargo.

**TABLE 1:** Grants Activity Overview (January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019).

Activities*	Key Performance Indicators
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grant alerts: 52 alerts circulated.</li><li>• Submitted applications: 43<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>i. 22 approved</li><li>ii. 7 declined/deferred</li><li>iii. 14 pending</li></ul></li><li>• Grant coordination and reporting</li><li>• Grant research &amp; performance</li><li>• Financial administration</li><li>• Relationship building with Grant Program Funders</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Total funds awarded: \$6.8M.</li><li>• Rate of return: 13x.</li></ul>

\*This excludes the unique grants awarded for the Core Area Wastewater Treatment Project (\$201M received to date), and for the Regional Housing First Program (\$60M; \$30M grant from CHMC and \$30M contribution from BC Housing).

**TABLE 2: Grant Requests Aligned with Community Needs**



## **ALTERNATIVES**

### *Alternative 1*

That the CRD External Grants 2019 Annual Report be received for information.

## **CONCLUSION**

The CRD recognizes that grants are a supplementary funding source to address the needs of the services that are provided to the region. The CRD continues to maximize the receipt of grant awards through a set of established activities. The ability to secure external grant funding allows the CRD to provide for planned and unplanned projects.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

That the CRD External Grants 2019 Annual Report be received for information

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## **ATTACHMENT(S)**

Appendix A: List of External Grants Awarded