

INFORMATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE - APRIL 14, 2020

1.	Building Department - Building Statistics - March 2020	N
2.	Building Department - Building Permits - Yearly Statistics	N
3.	L. Prosser - email dated march 19, 2020 - Skateboard park	R
4.	D. Gonella, Executive Director, Salmon Arm Folk Music Society - letter dated March 30, 2020 - Temporary Campground	R
5.	D. Gonella, Executive Director, Salmon Arm Folk Music Society - letter dated March 30, 2020 - Noise Bylaw Variance Request	R
6.	S. Niven, Associate, Fund Development, Cystic Fibrosis Canada, British Columbia and Yukon Region - email dated March 24, 2020 - Proclamation Request	R
7.	L. Mindnich, SILGA President - letter dated March 24, 2020 - SILGA cancellation	N
8.	S. Howard, Senior Director, BC and Strategic Projects - Supporting small businesses in light of COVID-19	N
9.	M. Tait, UBCM President - letter dated March 27, 2020 - Provincial Response to 2019 Resolutions	N
10.	L. Deisroth, SAMBA Secretary - letter dated March 13, 2020 - Proposed Batting Cage at Klahani Park	R
11.	L. Edwards, Executive Director, Local Government Infrastructure & Engineering, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to R. Nitchie, Team Leader Community Services, Columbia Shuswap Regional District - letter dated March 18, 2020 - Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program - Rural and Northern Communities Project #IR0091 - Sicamous to Armstrong Rail Trail	N
12.	Water Canada - email dated March 23, 2020 - Internship Program Flushable Wipes COVID-19	N
13.	H. Cowan, MLA Greg Kylo - email dated March 26, 2020 - Important Information from MLA Greg Kylo: List of essential services in BC during COVID-19 pandemic	N
14.	L. Hall, Mayor, City of Prince George - letter dated March 24, 2020 - Sharing Payments for Opioid Class Action Lawsuit	N
15.	B. Zeinabova, Deputy City Clerk, City of Burnaby - letter dated March 6, 2020 - 2020 UBCM Resolutions	N
16.	Community Development Institute - email dated March 27, 2020 - The Community Development Institute at UNBC	N
17.	S. Kakehi, Mayor, Inashiki - letter received March 25, 2020 - International Cultural Exchange	N
18.	C. Peters, BC anti-human trafficking educator, speaker, advocate - email dated March 22, 2020 - Ontario Releases a New and Comprehensive Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking	N

N = No Action Required
A = Action Requested

S = Staff has Responded
R = Response Required



**CITY OF SALMON ARM
BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT
MARCH 2020**

**LAST YEAR (2019)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE**

**CURRENT YEAR (2020)
CURRENT MONTH YEAR-TO-DATE**

		NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE	NO.	VALUE
1	New Single Family Dwellings	2	825,000	4	1,425,000	3	1,475,000	8	3,574,000
2	Misc. Additions etc. to SFD's	4	61,000	11	677,625	9	310,545	17	1,186,095
3	New Single Family Dwellings with suites	2	813,000	4	1,708,000	1	375,000	1	375,000
4	New Secondary/Detached Suites	1	30,000	2	35,000	2	90,000	6	225,000
5	New Modulares/MH's (Factory Built)	1	250,000	4	1,040,000	1	195,000	3	470,000
6	Misc. Additions etc. to Modulares/MH's	2	14,000	2	14,000	2	19,200	2	19,200
7	MFD's (# Units)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	Misc. Additions etc. to MFD's	-	-	3	70,000	1	4,855	3	54,855
9	New Commercial	1	1,860,000	1	1,860,000	1	120,960	1	120,960
10	Misc. Additions etc. to Commercial	-	-	4	135,353	1	6,000	6	257,000
11	New Industrial	-	-	1	3,000,000	-	-	1	100,000
12	Misc. Additions etc. to Industrial	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	505,000
13	New Institutional	-	-	2	586,033	-	-	-	-
14	Misc. Additions etc. to Institutional	1	11,000	2	26,000	1	5,000	1	5,000
15	Signs	1	500	11	122,834	2	5,250	4	7,950
16	Swimming Pools, Pool Buildings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	Demolitions	-	-	3	-	1	-	4	-
18	Temporary Trailers, A & B Permits	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	Misc. Special Inspections, etc.	1	-	10	-	3	-	10	-
	TOTAL PERMITS ISSUED	16	3,864,500	64	10,699,845	28	2,606,810	69	6,900,060

MFD's - Apartment, Row, Duplex, Strata (# of dwelling units created)
Farm building values not included

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BUILDING PERMITS - YEARLY												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
2001	585,500	11,938,550	12,265,250	12,842,790	13,534,790	14,712,550	16,330,650	17,717,625	19,031,075	19,895,255	21,318,855	21,458,195
2002	585,500	1,952,500	3,340,850	3,821,240	5,455,840	6,411,690	8,844,690	10,932,510	15,780,890	16,705,600	17,738,200	17,923,700
2003	130,110	920,780	2,974,020	4,486,120	5,993,320	13,294,120	15,555,250	17,937,005	20,318,920	22,000,340	24,005,740	24,782,360
2004	430,700	1,506,500	5,903,780	8,379,104	10,122,768	12,086,319	14,779,343	21,598,763	30,371,023	33,614,173	34,957,458	35,881,343
2005	1,072,000	2,269,650	4,344,750	6,806,152	12,110,482	28,031,457	29,985,585	34,743,645	37,600,445	42,915,856	45,525,611	47,576,746
2006	815,550	3,224,468	8,012,449	11,501,929	16,084,809	20,066,533	23,714,194	26,370,890	36,479,806	37,278,358	42,332,995	43,077,170
2007	1,531,087	3,901,669	16,148,674	22,413,118	27,232,134	32,401,472	35,657,297	42,829,750	51,945,799	55,703,387	65,885,802	66,289,555
2008	1,797,604	4,203,429	12,947,058	27,647,379	33,857,533	36,582,025	39,759,375	42,395,454	45,412,474	50,699,301	53,383,541	53,522,880
2009	409,369	864,839	2,039,460	5,207,311	6,763,615	7,800,085	9,677,455	11,579,746	18,882,737	20,713,554	23,523,664	24,337,664
2010	1,518,563	2,708,062	5,931,546	10,081,816	12,260,236	13,526,546	16,597,121	18,790,511	19,848,804	21,174,632	22,953,692	27,249,702
2011	568,645	2,003,976	5,063,837	7,449,773	9,471,416	11,761,850	12,794,028	14,222,970	18,194,801	19,682,061	30,563,013	31,934,415
2012	2,189,660	3,128,562	4,794,040	6,337,260	10,000,544	12,120,246	17,883,185	24,375,078	26,118,787	26,493,820	28,130,500	28,666,430
2013	881,740	1,440,110	13,907,060	15,814,195	17,433,454	20,194,778	23,204,628	24,180,485	26,567,302	29,195,224	30,890,086	31,231,349
2014	665,304	2,806,404	8,075,941	20,789,869	27,574,834	29,877,686	33,456,523	41,971,923	42,784,769	44,804,191	46,460,471	47,707,993
2015	1,172,285	1,853,539	3,894,754	6,750,389	8,575,425	18,388,180	20,475,407	26,442,225	29,143,303	31,248,595	35,417,465	37,368,595
2016	1,268,865	2,298,280	4,987,625	8,904,610	12,253,660	16,279,464	19,265,124	23,811,029	29,823,014	36,084,949	40,154,959	41,418,659
2017	1,183,280	2,841,725	7,219,495	11,761,657	18,136,656	23,823,576	30,793,243	36,066,891	52,130,226	59,858,542	63,366,686	64,675,041
2018	1,970,104	3,943,104	10,028,787	14,363,122	20,252,322	30,488,747	37,540,412	40,421,060	55,689,215	59,634,580	64,988,531	66,797,572
2019	6,060,645	6,835,345	10,699,845	18,074,843	22,220,523	26,015,593	31,103,281	45,971,877	48,902,359	52,267,409	56,765,409	58,511,534
2020	2,218,950	4,293,250	6,900,060									

Barb Puddifant

From: Lorraine Prosser
Sent: March-19-20 1:40 PM
To: Barb Puddifant
Subject: Urgent Attention Mayor and Council

I know that public recreational buildings have been closed. My sister went by the skateboard park and noted that it was full of children. I wonder if some of the city staff may take a look at the park to see if children are maintaining social distancing and speak with them about the provincial emergency measures as some families not taking this as seriously as others. with the nicer weather there could be alot of close contact in city playgrounds where sanitation and keeping surfaces clean is impossible. I realize these are hard times for children and they do need to play but they can transmit very easily and much more so than adults. Thx for your attention, Lorraine Prosser



Salmon Arm Folk Music Society
Mail: PO Box 21, Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2
Location: 541 3rd St. SW, Salmon Arm, BC
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General Inquiries: info@rootsandblues.ca
Sponsor: sponsor@rootsandblues.ca
Volunteer and Grants: volunteer@rootsandblues.ca
www.rootsandblues.ca

March 30, 2020

Attn. Kevin Pearson, Director of Development Services
City of Salmon Arm
Box 40
100-30 Street SE
Salmon Arm, BC. V1E 4N2

RE: Temporary Campground

Dear Mr. Pearson:

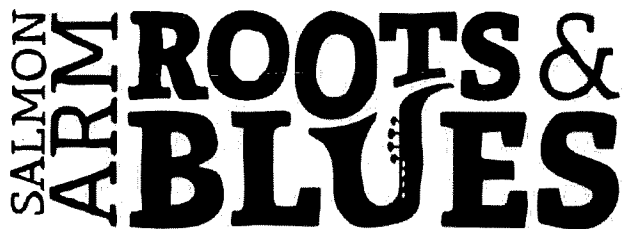
On behalf of the Salmon Arm Folk Music Society and the ROOTSandBLUES Festival, I would like to request the use of the southeast section of Blackburn park for the use as a volunteer and over-flow campground during the 28th Annual ROOTSandBLUES Festival.

The dates we would require the fields are August 10^h to 19rd, 2019 to allow for set-up and a proper amount of time to restore the area to its pre-event condition. We are truly grateful for your support.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Gonella".

David Gonella, Executive Director
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28th Annual ROOTSandBLUES Festival
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March 30, 2020

Attn. Robert Niewenhuizen
Director Of Engineering
City of Salmon Arm
Box 40
100 - 30 Street SE
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

RE: NOISE BYLAW VARIANCE REQUEST

Dear Mr. Niewenhuizen:

The Salmon Arm folk Music Society is planning the 28th Annual ROOTSandBLUES Festival and we would like to request an extension to the noise bylaw during festival starting on Thursday, August 12th, through Sunday, August 16th, with music performances ending on each night at 11:59 PM.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Gonella".

David Gonella, Executive Director
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Caylee Simmons

From: Sandra Niven
Sent: March-24-20 5:02 PM
Subject: Proclamation request: May is Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month

Hello,

I would like to submit a request for a proclamation, that May is 'Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month'. I realise that, with the ongoing coronavirus restrictions, I cannot appear in person but am happy to make a call, if needed.

About CF: <https://www.cysticfibrosis.ca/about-cf>

Cystic fibrosis (CF) is the most common fatal genetic disease affecting Canadian children and young adults. At present, there is no cure. CF causes various effects on the body, but mainly affects the digestive system and lungs. The degree of CF severity differs from person to person, however, the persistence and ongoing infection in the lungs, with destruction of lungs and loss of lung function, will eventually lead to death in the majority of people with CF.

Below (and attached) is the draft proclamation wording for your consideration:

WHEREAS the exceptional progress that has been made in Canada in cystic fibrosis research and care for many Canadians who battle this progressive disease every day merits recognition, and

WHEREAS cystic fibrosis affects 4,371 Canadians and is the most common fatal genetic disease affecting Canadian children and young adults, and

WHEREAS Cystic Fibrosis Canada is one of the world's top charitable organizations committed to finding a cure for cystic fibrosis, and

WHEREAS since 1960, Cystic Fibrosis Canada has invested more than \$261 million in leading research, innovation and care, resulting in one of the world's highest survival rates for people living with cystic fibrosis, and

WHEREAS, thanks to significant progress in cystic fibrosis care, the majority of Canadian children with cystic fibrosis will reach adulthood, and

WHEREAS Cystic Fibrosis Canada is committed to ensuring that those living with cystic fibrosis have access to the innovative treatments and medications they need to live healthier and longer lives, and

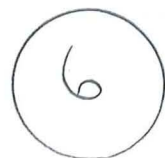
WHEREAS British Columbians are urged to lend their whole-hearted support, most particularly in the month of May, towards the goal of finding a cure for cystic fibrosis;

NOW KNOW YE THAT, We do by these presents proclaim and declare that May 2020 shall be known as "Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month"

Thank you for considering this request. Please let me know if you have any questions. I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Sandra



Sandra Niven

Associate, Fund Development

Cystic Fibrosis Canada, British Columbia and Yukon Region

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Caylee Simmons

From: southern interior local government <yoursilga@gmail.com>
Sent: March-24-20 12:58 PM
To: Carole Fraser; Carolyn Black; Caylee Simmons; Cheryl Hardisty; Christy Malden; City Of Armstrong; City Of Enderby; City Of Kamloops; City Of Kelowna; City Of Merritt; City of Penticton; City Of Revelstoke; Caylee Simmons; City of Vernon; CSRD; District Of Barriere; District Of Clearwater; District Of Coldstream; District of Lake Country ...; District Of Lillooet; District Of Logan Lake; District Of Peachland; District of Sicamous; District Of West Kelowna; Jan Johnston; kelly bennett; Maria Doyle; marja sheare; mary jane drouin; Melisa Miles; polly palmer; RDCO; RDNO; RDOS; Rebecca Narinesingh; SLRD; Sun Peaks Resort Municipality; Tasha Buchanan; TNRD; Tom Kadla; Toni Boot; Town Of Oliver; Town Of Osoyoos; Town Of Princeton; Township Of Spallumcheen; Tracey Batten; Trevor Seibel; Village Of Ashcroft; Village Of Cache Creek; Village Of Chase; Village Of Clinton; Village Of Keremeos; Village Of Lumby; Village Of Lytton; Wendy Rockafellow
Cc: Lori Mindnich
Subject: Update from SILGA regarding the 2020 AGM and Convention cancellation
Attachments: SILGA members re convention cancellation letter March 24, 2020.pdf

Good afternoon,

Please find attached an update from SILGA President Mindnich regarding the cancellation of the 2020 AGM and Convention. Please forward this letter to all elected officials and staff that have been impacted by this cancellation.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Thanks, Alison

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*Southern Interior Local
Government Association*

March 24, 2020

Good morning Mayors, Chairs, Councillors, Area Directors & staff,

In this time of uncertainty, I want to thank everyone for doing their part in helping to stop the spread of Covid-19. To our CEOs, Executive Directors and front end staff who are still at work as an essential service helping our citizens, to our workers maintaining our roads, water and sewer services – words can not express how grateful we are.

Many of us have family members that are working in hospitals, grocery stores, driving trucks, day care centers, senior's homes - the list goes on. Please take the time to say thank you to them.

To deal with the financial aspect of cancelling the convention, we can provide the following information. CivicInfo started the refund process for credit cards on March 24th; if you haven't received your refunds yet, they will be coming shortly. If you paid for the registrations by cheque, Alison will be refunding your money by return cheque. Staff is also contacting all our sponsors to ensure they are kept up to date.

Your SILGA board and staff are continuing to look at ways to still have the 2020 AGM, which includes the election of the 2020-21 SILGA board and dealing with all of the association's financial business.

The SILGA board has set a meeting date of April 29th to re-evaluate the situation.

There are a couple of options:

- i. Have a shorter convention sometime in the summer, dependent on the BC Chief Medical Officer's guidelines.
- ii. Have an abbreviated SILGA AGM take place during the UBCM convention.
- iii. Re-evaluate again in late summer if there is no UBCM convention.

UBCM has assured us that if resolutions are not debated at Area Association AGMs, they will go directly to the UBCM convention. The only exception are those resolutions that are regional in nature and which the local government did not wish to make provincial.

We will continue to provide updates when more information is known.

If you have any questions I am available by phone or email, and Alison is available by phone or email as well.

I hope everyone stays healthy. Please maintain your social distance.

In Friendship,

Lori Mindnich

Lori Mindnich
SILGA President
Councillor Village of Lumby

Subject: Supporting small businesses in light of COVID-19

Dear Mayor and Council,

We are writing in regards to the significant challenges facing independent business owners during these difficult times as we all face the implications of COVID-19 in British Columbia.

As you may know, the Canadian Federation of Independent Business (CFIB) is a not for profit, non-partisan organization that represents over 110,000 SMEs across Canada, with over 10,000 here in BC. Our phone lines have been flooded by small business owners with questions regarding COVID-19, with many inquiries on the subject of how government is working to support communities.

We know and trust government is doing everything in their power to protect citizens and put healthcare at the forefront of our priorities. It is also essential we consider the vast economics implications COVID-19 has on our communities, and ensure we take action now so businesses, jobs, and the people behind those jobs can return to normality once we get there.

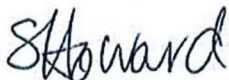
For these reasons, CFIB is asking all Mayors and Councils across BC to take the following actions to help support small businesses during these challenging times:

1. Waive all interest and penalties for unpaid property tax installments for a minimum of 60 days;
2. Wave all interest and penalties for unpaid water and wastewater billings for a minimum period of 60 days; and
3. Call on the Provincial government to expand the Property Tax Deferral Program to provide immediate relief for small businesses and non-profits.

We understand you may already be taking some of the above, or other measures currently to help support small businesses, and we thank you for that. If there are any other initiatives you are taking to support small business, we welcome you to share your ideas with us so we can share the ideas and inform our members where they have support.

Thank you for considering our correspondence, and for all your efforts in prioritizing the health of British Columbians.

Sincerely,



Samantha Howard
Senior Director, BC and Strategic Projects

March 27, 2020

Mayor Alan Harrison
City of Salmon Arm
Box 40
Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4N2

Dear Mayor Harrison:

Re: Provincial Response to 2019 Resolutions

UBCM has received the Province's response(s) to your Council resolution(s) from 2019. Please find the enclosed resolution(s) and their provincial response(s).

Responses received from the Province have been posted to the UBCM web site under Resolutions & Policy.

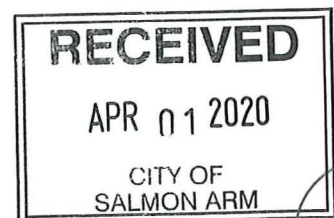
If you have any questions about this process, please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst at 604.270.8226 ext. 100 or jjustason@ubcm.ca

Yours truly,



Maja Tait
UBCM President

Enclosure



Whereas flying recreational drones is an increasingly popular hobby that can disturb and pose risks to wildlife in sensitive ecological areas and recreational drones are prohibited in Canada's national parks for similar reasons;

And whereas there are multiple stakeholders including federal and provincial agencies and complex regulations involved in drone usage:

Therefore be it resolved that the federal and provincial governments collaborate to provide clarity and options for local governments in restricting the use of drones in local sensitive ecological areas.

Convention Decision: Endorsed

Provincial Response

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Government is interested in supporting local governments in managing recreational drone use (also known as unmanned air vehicles (UAV's)) that can disturb and pose risks wildlife in sensitive ecological areas.

Transport Canada (TC) and the Canadian Aviation Regulations regulate UAV (drone) use in Canada's airspace. However, BC Parks has the authority to allow or not allow UAV users to take off or land in a provincial park. As such, drone operators must obtain permission from BC Parks to take-off and/or land in any provincial park or protected area.

TC's federal flight requirements for use of UAVs include distances from people, buildings, built-up areas, and animals (both domestic and wildlife), meaning there are few, if any, locations in BC Parks where permission to fly UAVs can be granted and the pilot would still have the ability to meet the current federal flight requirements. Further, in protected areas established as Ecological Reserves, or in areas of parks with sensitive ecological values, UAV use is not permitted.



March 13, 2020

Attention: Salmon Arm City Counsel

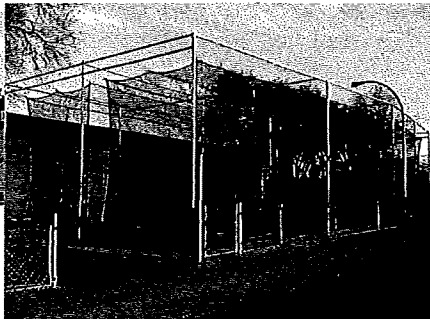
Salmon Arm Minor Baseball (SAMBA) is proposing to build a batting cage at Klahani Park. As you may know, it has been several years since our baseball athletes have had the use of a batting cage. This is considered a key facility for baseball athletic development. This will also help relieve our total impact on the town ball diamonds, as it can act as a practice facility, sometimes in place of a diamond practice. It is getting more difficult to get sufficient ball diamond time for our growing numbers. The 2020 Spring season has 270 kids registered thus far.

Batting Cage Plan:

The structure footprint will be 30'x70'. The support system will be made of vertical posts 12-14' high, cemented 2' into the ground.

This year, the structure will have a grass or dirt floor. The netting system will hang on a cable and post system. They will have the ability to slide, like curtains to one end, so that they can be rolled up. There will be a sign thanking SASCU for their support, as they are our main sponsor for this project.

The installation of the support pole structure and prepping of floor surface will be done by SAMBA parents with appropriate skills. The netting will be up for the baseball season, then taken down. SAMBA has currently secured \$7000 towards this project's budget. This includes netting system, sign and building supplies. The following are pictures of similar structures.



Thanks for your consideration,
Lori Deisroth, SAMBA Secretary



March 18, 2020

Ref: 252253

Ryan Nitchie
Team Leader Community Services
Columbia Shuswap Regional District
PO Box 978
Salmon Arm BC V1E 4P1

Dear Ryan Nitchie:

**Re: Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program (ICIP) – Rural and Northern Communities
Project # IR0091 - Sicamous to Armstrong Rail Trail**

Thank you for your application for funding under the ICIP – Rural and Northern Communities Program.

We would like to advise that, after careful consideration, the above-noted project was not selected for funding under the ICIP – Rural and Northern Communities Program.

The program received significantly more applications than could be funded. This decision does not reflect on the importance of this project for your community, but rather the degree by which the program has been oversubscribed. All applications were equitably reviewed and given consideration for funding. If you have any questions, please contact Justin Langton, Rural and Northern Communities Program Lead, by email at: Justin.Langton@gov.bc.ca.

Additional program information can be found at the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program website: www.gov.bc.ca/Investing-in-Canada-Infrastructure-Program. Should future funding become available, staff are pleased to provide advice on preparing an application.

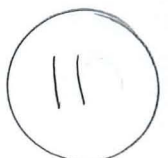
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Ministry of Municipal Affairs
and Housing

Local Government Infrastructure
and Finance Branch

Mailing Address:
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Victoria, BC V8W 9T1
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Ryan Nitchie

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Thank you for your interest in the ICIP-Rural and Northern Communities Program. We wish you every success with your community project.

Best regards,



Liam Edwards, Executive Director
Local Government Infrastructure and Finance
Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing

pc: Brian Bedford, Director
Local Government Infrastructure & Engineering
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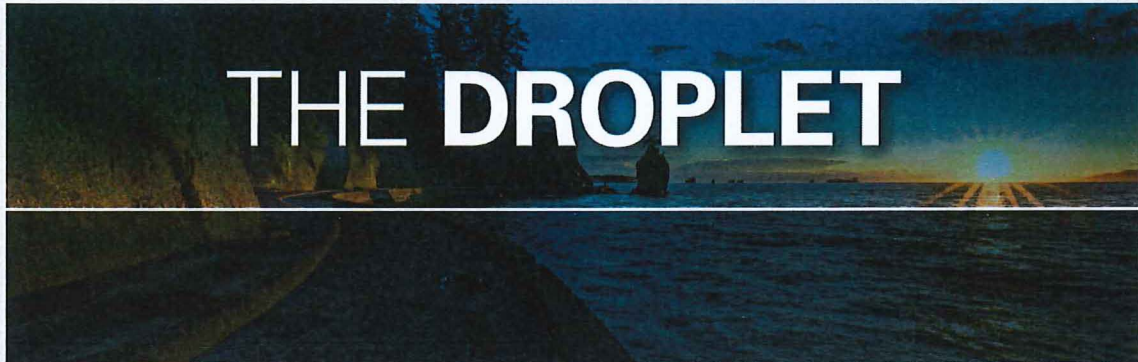
Charles Hamilton, Chief Administrative Officer
Columbia Shuswap Regional District

Caylee Simmons

From: Water Canada <water@actualmedia.ca>
Sent: March-23-20 6:45 AM
To: Caylee Simmons
Subject: Internship Program | Flushable Wipes | COVID-19

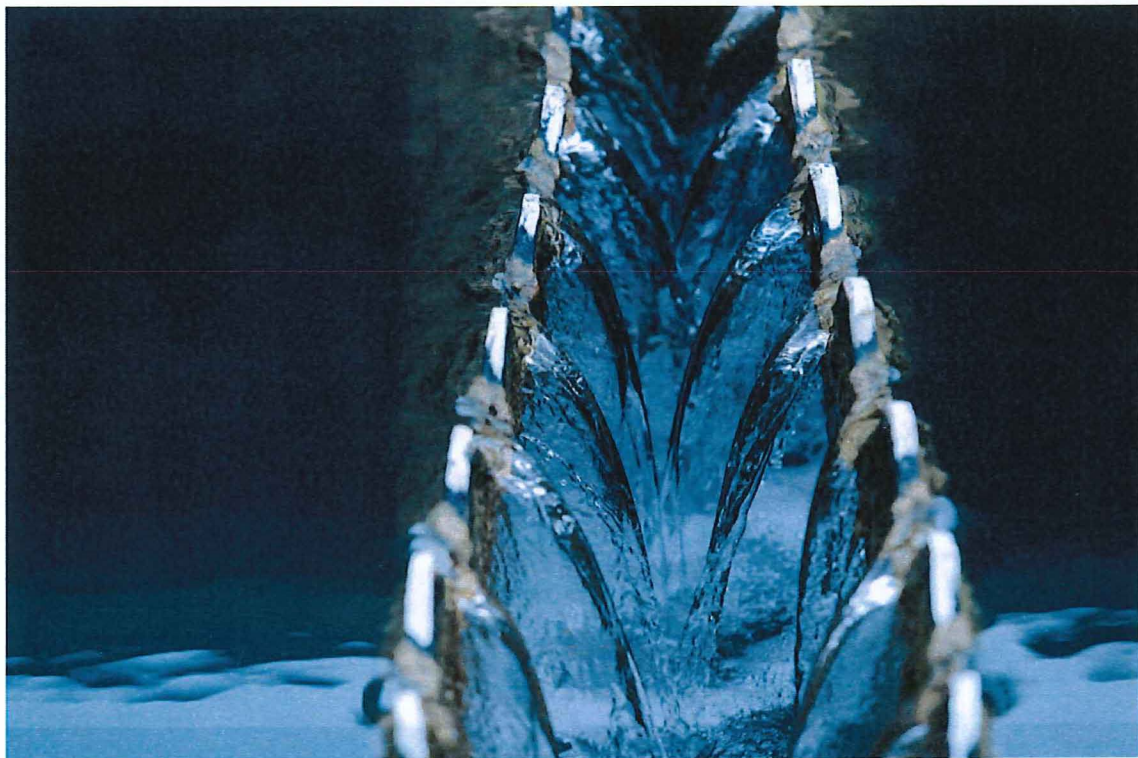
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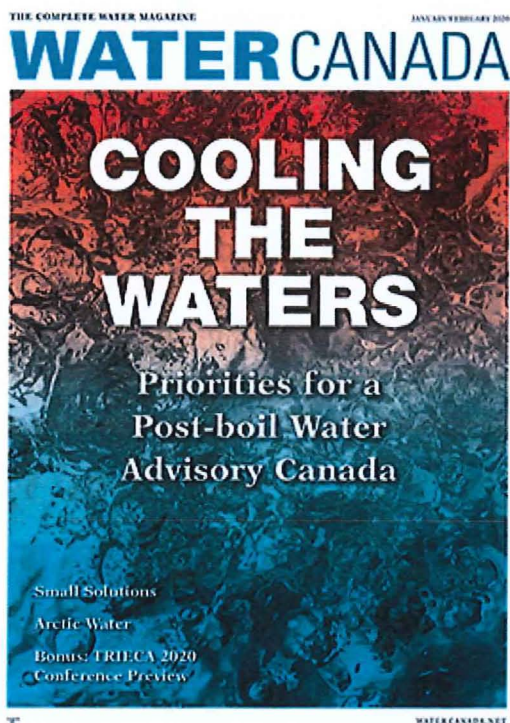
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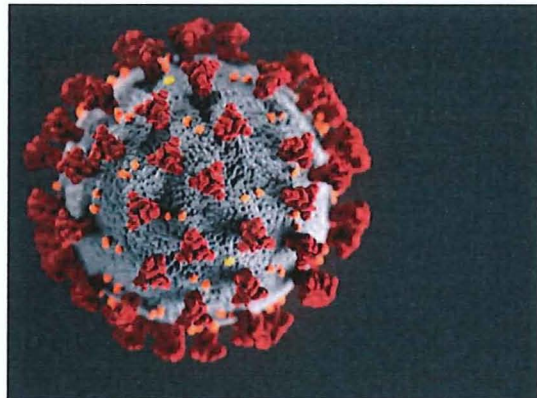
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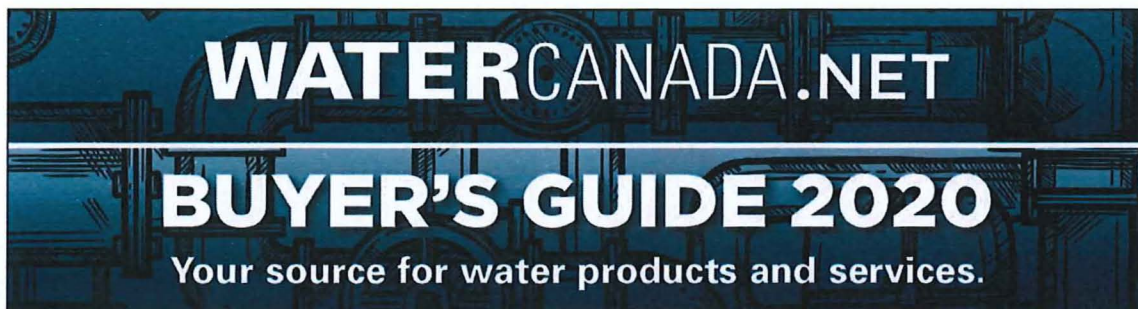
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List of essential services in B.C. during COVID-19 pandemic

Essential services are those daily services essential to preserving life, health, public safety and basic societal functioning. They are the services British Columbians rely on in their daily lives.

Developed by Emergency Management BC in consultation with other government ministries and the provincial health officer (PHO), this definition is intended to clarify what qualifies as an essential service in the context of the Province's response to COVID-19. In consultation with the PHO, these services should and are encouraged to remain open. They must, however, follow the orders and guidance provided by the PHO to ensure safe operations and reduce the risk of transmission of COVID-19.

The PHO has ordered some types of businesses to close. Any business or service that has not been ordered to close, and is also not identified on the essential service list, may stay open if it can adapt its services and workplace to the orders and recommendations of the PHO.

Child care providers and schools providing care and/or in-class instruction for children are to prioritize placements for those children whose parents are employed as front-line workers in direct to public health and health services, social services, law enforcement, first responders and emergency response.

A list of essential services follows.

Health and health services

Direct-to-public health services

- all health-care services, including acute care (hospitals), secondary/long-term care, coroners' services, health-care providers working within and outside an acute care setting and other health services, including public health, detox facilities, safe-injection sites, COVID-19 testing, clinical research supporting the COVID-19 response, blood/plasma donation services and emergency pre-hospitalization services;
- other health services and caregivers (e.g., physicians, dentists, psychiatrists, psychologists, mid-level practitioners, nurses and assistants, infection-control and quality-assurance personnel, pharmacists, physical and occupational therapists and assistants, social workers, mental-health and substance-use workers, including peer support workers, speech pathologists, diagnostic and therapeutic technicians and technologists, counsellors, chiropractors, naturopaths, dentists, crisis centres, outreach workers, overdose and harm-reduction services, meal programs; and
- health first responders (paramedics).

Health service providers

- pharmaceutical production, medical laboratories/research, medical testing, pharmacies, medical supply and equipment manufacturers, wholesale, distribution and stores, and analytical testing labs related to testing of finished product for pathogens and contaminants;
- safety supply (e.g., work clothes, personal protective equipment, medical/pharmaceutical/ laboratory supplies, etc.) stores, manufacturers, technicians, logistics and warehouse operators;
- medical wholesale and distribution; and
- health plans, billing and health information.

Law enforcement, public safety, first responders, emergency response personnel

- first responders, including police, fire and those services providing for public safety, including commercial vehicle safety enforcement, corrections and detainment facilities, park rangers, security and protective services, court services, bylaw enforcement, as well as communications/dispatching support for first responders and volunteers, such as search-and-rescue and public-safety lifeline volunteers;
- public-sector workers for peace, order and good government, and employees of contracted service providers in these fields, including maintenance of technical infrastructure to support this work and compliance with health and public-safety orders;
- businesses that provide support to police and correctional services;
- operations and services in support of the Canadian Armed Forces and Canadian Border Services Agency;
- emergency management personnel at local, regional and provincial levels;
- businesses that ensure global continuity of supply of aggregates to support critical infrastructure repairs and emergency response requirements (e.g., sandbags, armour stone barriers, etc.); and
- equipment and uniform suppliers for first responders.

Vulnerable population service providers

- businesses and non-profits that provide food, shelter, social and support services, and other necessities of life for economically disadvantaged or otherwise vulnerable individuals, such as:
 - food banks, community kitchens, and voluntary and community service providers;
 - residential health facilities, mental-health, substance-use and addictions services;
 - transitional, social and supportive housing, and single-room occupancy housing;
- community services and outreach for immigrants, refugees, vulnerable populations and non-market housing, including businesses that sell, rent or repair assistive/mobility/medical devices, aids and/or supplies;
- care for seniors, adults, children or individuals with disabilities;
- child care services for those persons providing essential services;
- caregivers for children in care and out of care;

- elder and disability care, including disabled service support for people with physical and cognitive disabilities;
- residential care for individuals with mental health and substance use challenges, including licensed and registered treatment and recovery facilities;
- government and non-profit service delivery staff who provide access to income supports for people in need of food and shelter;
- residential and care facilities and shelters for seniors, adults, children and people with disabilities;
- overdose prevention sites, clinical overdose prevention services or medical marijuana provision; and
- businesses that sell, rent or repair assistive/mobility/medical devices, aids and/or supplies, or other products/services that support the health sector, including mental-health and addictions/counselling supports.

Critical infrastructure service providers

- infrastructure, drilling and production, refineries, processing, completion facilities, utilities, transportation, transmission, stations and storage facilities critical in supporting daily essential electricity needs, drinking water, waste water, electricity (including associated infrastructure), steam, alternative energy production, waste and hazardous management, industrial recycling, oil and natural and propane gas, fuel and other fuel sources, such as heating oil and wood pellets, as well as operating staff;
- manufacturing of goods necessary for the continued and immediate operation of other essential infrastructure and businesses;
- gas stations, diesel, propane and heating fuel providers including providers of motor vehicle, aircraft and water/marine fuels, and providers of charging stations for electric vehicles; and
- operations and employees needed to operate and maintain drinking water and wastewater/drainage infrastructure, including:
 - operational staff at water authorities;
 - operational staff at community water systems;
 - operational staff at wastewater treatment facilities;
 - workers repairing water and wastewater conveyances and performing required sampling or monitoring;
 - operational staff for water distribution and testing;
 - operational staff at wastewater collection facilities;
 - operational staff and technical support for supervisory control and data-acquisition control systems;
 - chemical disinfectant suppliers for wastewater and personnel protection; and
 - workers who maintain digital systems infrastructure supporting water and wastewater operations.

Food and agriculture service providers

- food cultivation, including farming, livestock, aquaculture and fishing, and businesses that support the food supply chain, as well as community gardens and subsistence agriculture;
- food processing, manufacturing, storage and distribution of foods, feed products and beverages;
- workers essential to maintaining or repairing equipment in food processing and distribution centres;
- workers, including temporary foreign workers, to support agricultural operations to enhance food security;
- retail: grocery stores, convenience stores, farmers markets and other establishments engaged in the retail sale or provision of food, pet or livestock supply, liquor, cannabis (including producers), and any other household consumer products, such as cleaning and personal care products.
 - includes stores that sell groceries and also sell other non-grocery products, and products necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation and essential daily operation of residences. such as home supply, hardware, building material stores, pawn brokers, and garden centres and nurseries;
- farming supply, including seed, fertilizer, pesticides, farm-machinery sales and maintenance;
- inspection services and associated regulatory and government workforce and supporting businesses required for slaughter of animals, dairy production and food safety; and
- businesses that provide for the health and welfare of animals, including veterinarians, farms, boarding kennels, stables, animal shelters, zoos, aquariums, research facilities and other service providers.

Transportation, infrastructure and manufacturing

- supply chain services needed to supply goods for societal functioning, including cooling, storing, packaging, transportation, warehousing and distribution;
- workers who support the maintenance and operation of cargo transportation services, including crews, maintenance, operations and other facilities workers;
- manufacturers and distributors (to include service centres and related operations) of packaging materials, pallets, crates, containers and other supplies needed to support manufacturing, packaging staging and distribution operations;
- truck drivers who haul hazardous and waste materials to support critical infrastructure, capabilities, functions, and municipal and provincial services;
- local, regional, and provincial delivery services, including but not limited to businesses that ship or deliver groceries, food, goods or services directly to business and residences and mailing and shipping services;
- services to support and enable transportation, including highway, road, bridge maintenance and repair;
- employees who repair, maintain and overhaul vehicles, aircraft and parts, rail equipment, marine vessels, and the equipment and infrastructure that enables operations that encompass movement of cargo and passengers, as well as vehicle rentals and leasing;
- services that facilitate the transportation of essential supplies, personnel and services, including port/waterfront operations, road, air and rail operations;

- facilities supporting interprovincial and intra-provincial delivery of goods, including truck scales, commercial vehicle inspection stations, brokerages, truck towing and repair services, commercial cardlock fuel providers, truck and rest stops;
- government-owned or leased buildings;
- businesses that supply other essential businesses and people working from home with the support or supplies necessary to operate;
- private transportation services, such as taxis, ride-hailing, helicopter, aircraft and marine vessels;
- public transportation services under rules for physical distancing or other recommendations from the PHO;
- workers supporting the chemical and industrial gas supply chains, including workers at chemical manufacturing plants, workers in laboratories, workers at distribution facilities, workers who transport basic raw chemical materials to the producers of industrial and consumer goods and support the natural resource sector, as well as workers supporting safety at such facilities;
- provision of public services that support the safe operation of regulated businesses and the provision of public services that support those businesses to meet other regulatory requirements;
- workers who support the operation, inspection, and maintenance of essential public works facilities and operations;
- workers who support the inspection and maintenance for ongoing safety at industrial facilities;
- inspectors who ensure worksites are safe and health for workers, and who investigate serious workplace accidents;
- workers who process and manage claims made by injured workers, including services related to their care and treatment, as well as the provision of workers' compensation benefits;
- hotels and places of accommodation;
- activities of the consuls general and staff who support the work of the consuls general;
- landlords of buildings where the consulates are located and those who must guarantee access to consular offices as well as the operation of the consular offices;
- storage for essential businesses;
- businesses that provide materials and services for the operation, maintenance and safety of transportation systems (road, transit, rail, air and marine) including delivery of maintenance services, such as clearing snow, response to collisions and completing needed repairs to transportation systems;
- businesses that extract, manufacture, process and distribute goods, products, equipment and materials, including businesses that manufacture inputs to other manufacturers (e.g., primary metal/steel, blow moulding, component manufacturers, chemicals, etc., that feed the end-product manufacturer);
- vegetation management crews and traffic workers who support environmental remediation/monitoring and who respond to environmental emergencies;
- businesses providing staffing services, including temporary labour services; and
- businesses that support the safe operations of residences, essential businesses and facilities/buildings.

Sanitation

- cleaning services necessary to provide and maintain disinfection;
- manufacturing of sanitary products, household paper products, chemicals, microelectronics/semi-conductor, including companies able to retrofit their production facilities to produce goods/services that can be used to address critical shortages of sanitary and protective goods;
- businesses that support environmental management/monitoring and spill cleanup and response, including environmental consulting firms, professional engineers and geoscientists, septic haulers, well drillers, pesticides applicators and exterminators, management of industrial sewage/effluent (e.g., for mining operations) and environmental laboratories; and
- waste (garbage and organics) and recycling collection, processing and disposal.

Communications, information sharing and information technology (IT)

- workers maintaining IT and communications infrastructure for medical facilities, governments facilities, emergency response and command agencies, energy and utilities, banks and financial institutions, employees working from home, and other critical infrastructure categories and personnel, including managing information and cyber-security incidents;
- newspapers, television, radio, online news outlets and other media services;
- IT, radio, cable providers and telecommunications services, including phone, internet, wireless communications and data centres; and
- satellite operations, undersea cable landing stations, internet exchange points, and manufacturers and distributors of communications equipment.

Non-health essential service providers

- feed, water, bedding, veterinary care, veterinary supply, transport and processing services for livestock, animal shelters and pets;
- coroners and workers performing mortuary services, including funeral homes, crematoriums and cemeteries, as well as workers supporting the appropriate handling, identification, storage, transportation and certification of human remains;
- banks and their branches, credit unions and related financial institutions, as well as workers who support security and technical operations supporting financial institutions;
- capital markets, including the British Columbia Securities Commission, self-regulatory organizations, exchanges, clearing agencies and investment-fund dealers, advisers and managers;
- services related to bankruptcy/credit restructuring and non-bank sources of capital, cheque-cashing outlets, money sending and money remittance services, currency exchange services, pawn brokers;
- accounting, payroll, translation services, legal services and insurance providers; insurance assessment and adjudication providers;
- plumbers, electricians, elevator maintenance providers, exterminators, property management services, custodial/janitorial workers, cleaning services, fire safety and sprinkler systems, building systems maintenance and repair technicians, engineers, mechanics, smelters and other service providers who provide services that are necessary to maintaining the safety, sanitation and daily essential operation of residences and commercial buildings;

- educational institutions — including public and private K-12 schools, and public post-secondary institutions — for purposes of facilitating remote learning or performing essential functions, including services that are needed to ensure the safety, security, welfare, integrity and health of the community, property and research and certain operational and contractual activities, if operating under rules for physical distancing or other recommendations from the PHO;
- in relation to research universities, services including COVID-19-related research, residential housing and food services for students on campus, building operations and risk management, animal care services, health services for students, IT including data security and infrastructure, finance/payroll/administration/HR/communications and child care for essential university staff;
- laundromats, dry cleaners and laundry service providers;
- restaurants and other facilities that prepare and serve food, if operating under rules for social and physical distancing or other recommendations from the PHO;
- towing services and other vehicle repair/maintenance operations;
- schools and other entities that provide free food services to students or members of the public, if operating under rules for physical distancing or other recommendations from the PHO;
- construction work, in accordance with PHO direction, construction firms, skilled trades and professionals, and construction and light industrial machinery and equipment rental;
- businesses that ensure global continuity of supply of primary and value-added forestry/silviculture products (e.g., lumber, pulp, paper, wood fuel, etc.) including soft-pulp products, such as protective masks, gowns, drapes, screens and other hospital supplies, as well as household paper products;
- postal services, including both public and private mailing, shipping, logistics, courier, delivery services and post office boxes;
- research services supporting essential sectors, including medical/clinical research and industrial research;
- all government (local, regional, provincial) functions or services;
- businesses and non-profits that provide support services to citizens and businesses on behalf of government – these include but are not limited to: income assistance and disability assistance, pensions, residential tenancy, BC Services Card, drivers' licensing, Affordable Child Care Benefit, Medical Services Plan, forest-worker support programs, notary, commissioner, affidavits, pesticide exams, invigilation for essential trades, 1 888 COVID19, verify by video, and helpdesk for BCeID;
- weather forecasters;
- businesses that ensure global continuity of supply of mining materials and products (e.g., metals such as copper, nickel and gold) and that support supply chains including
 - mining operations, production and processing;
 - mineral exploration and development; and
 - mining supply and services that support supply chains in the mining industry including maintenance of operations, health and safety;
- workers at operations centres necessary to maintain other essential functions;

- professional services, including lawyers and paralegals, engineers, accountants, translators;
- land registration services and real estate agent services;
- building code enforcement, inspection of buildings, building sites and building systems by building officials and registered professionals (architects and engineers);
- public washrooms and hygiene facilities (toilets, handwash stations, showers) for unsheltered persons; and
- parks and green space for public health and sheltering (for people experiencing homelessness).



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

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March 24, 2020

Via email

Dear Mayor and Council:

At the City of Prince George regular Council meeting held March 9, 2020, Council endorsed the following resolution titled **Sharing Payments from Opioid Class Action Lawsuit** for submission to the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) for consideration at their annual convention this year.

Sharing Payments from Opioid Class Action Lawsuit

WHEREAS under the Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Act (the "Act") the provincial government may sue a manufacturer or wholesaler of an opioid product to recover the costs of health care benefits on an aggregate basis, for a population of persons who have suffered damage caused or contributed to by the use of or exposure to an opioid product;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the Act and other legislation, the provincial government has launched a class action lawsuit on behalf of all federal, provincial and territorial governments to recover the costs of health care benefits from manufacturers and wholesalers of opioid products, whose marketing practices have had devastating impacts on the lives of thousands of British Columbians;


AND WHEREAS the definition of "health care benefits" under the Act includes "other expenditures by the government, made directly or through one or more agents or other intermediate bodies, for programs, services, benefits or similar matters associated with disease, injury or illness" and local governments have faced substantial "health care benefits" costs due to the opioid crisis;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM advocate to the provincial government to share any recovery of damages from the class action lawsuit with local governments, to further enable local governments to continue offering services and support programs that aim to reduce harm and stigma, address the root causes of the opioid crisis, and support people struggling with mental health and addiction.

On behalf of Prince George Council, I am requesting your favourable consideration and support for this resolution should it be accepted for debate at the 2020 Annual Convention of UBCM.

If you have any questions or would like more information please feel free to contact my office at Mayoradmin@princegeorge.ca or 250-561-7609.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Lyn Hall', written in a cursive style.

Mayor Lyn Hall

c.

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2020 March 6

FILE: 02145-01

Dear UBCM Member Municipalities:

SUBJECT: 2020 UBCM Resolutions

(Item 7(01), Manager's Reports, Council Meeting 2020 February 24)
(Item 4(B), Delegation, Council Meeting 2020 February 24)

Burnaby City Council, at the Open Council meeting held on 2020 February 24, received the above noted report and adopted the following recommendations contained therein:

1. THAT Council endorse the new resolution outlined in Section 3.0 of this report for submission to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and the 2020 UBCM Convention.
2. THAT staff be authorized to forward a copy of this report, accompanied by any applicable background reports and information, to the UBCM, located at Suite 60, 10551 Shellbridge Way, Richmond, BC V6X 2W9.
3. THAT a copy of this report be forwarded for information to Burnaby MLAs and to Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Without objection of any member of Council, the following motion was introduced:

1. THAT the following resolution be submitted to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and the 2020 UBCM Convention:

THAT the Union of BC Municipalities call upon the Province to take action to address the skyrocketing costs for condo insurance.

2. THAT a copy of this resolution be sent to all BC municipalities and to Burnaby MLAs, and Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

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In addition, Council at the same meeting, heard a delegation from MoveUP regarding benefits of public car insurance, and adopted the following motion:

1. THAT the following resolution be submitted to the LMLGA AGM and the 2020 UBCM:

WHEREAS public car insurance creates local jobs and significant investments in municipalities through road safety and improvement, grants-in-lieu, and community grants while providing greater control to municipalities to plan for risks and costs;

WHEREAS jurisdictions with only private insurance options have experienced significant rate hikes year after year while accident benefits dramatically decline;

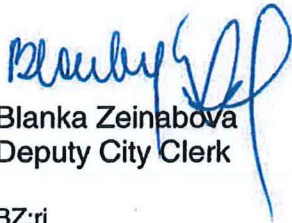
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the UBCM will call on the provincial government to preserve public car insurance, including jobs and local investments, in British Columbia.

2. THAT a copy of the resolution be sent to Burnaby MLAs and BC municipalities for consideration.

Please find attached a copy of the report and resolutions.

Thank you.

Yours truly,



Blanka Zeinabova
Deputy City Clerk

BZ:rj

RESOLUTION: Addressing Increases to Condominium Insurance

WHEREAS stratified condominium home ownership is a growing form of tenure in communities across the province and insurance rates have been increasing;

AND WHEREAS over the past year condominium stratas have experienced substantial increase to insurance premiums or found it difficult to secure an insurer for their buildings;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Union of BC Municipalities call upon the Province to take action to address the skyrocketing costs for condo insurance.

Approved by Burnaby City Council at its meeting of 2020 February 24.

RESOLUTION: Benefits of Public Car Insurance

WHEREAS public car insurance creates local jobs and significant investments in municipalities through road safety and improvement, grants-in-lieu, and community grants while providing greater control to municipalities to plan for risks and costs;

AND WHEREAS jurisdictions with only private insurance options have experienced significant rate hikes year after year while accident benefits dramatically decline;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the UBCM will call on the provincial government to preserve public car insurance, including jobs and local investments, in British Columbia.

Approved by Burnaby City Council at its meeting of 2020 February 24.



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COUNCIL REPORT

TO: CITY MANAGER **DATE:** 2020 February 19

FROM: DIRECTOR PLANNING AND BUILDING **FILE:** 2125 20
Reference: UBCM Resolutions

SUBJECT: 2020 UBCM RESOLUTIONS

PURPOSE: To present resolutions for submission to the 2020 Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) Annual General Meeting and the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) Convention.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. **THAT** Council endorse the new resolution outlined in Section 3.0 of this report for submission to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and the 2020 UBCM Convention.
2. **THAT** staff be authorized to forward a copy of this report, accompanied by any applicable background reports and information, to the UBCM, located at Suite 60, 10551 Shellbridge Way, Richmond, BC V6X 2W9.
3. **THAT** a copy of this report be forwarded for information to Burnaby MLAs and to Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

REPORT

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Each year, resolutions are considered for submission to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) Annual General Meeting and the Union of B.C. Municipalities (UBCM) Convention. These resolutions are a means to request amendments to the *Community Charter*, *Local Government Act* and other Provincial or Federal legislation and policies to address issues of significance to local government.

This report presents a new resolution for Council's consideration as a submission to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and the 2020 UBCM Convention. The UBCM Convention will take place from 2020 September 21 – 25, in Victoria B.C. The deadline for any further resolution submissions made directly to the UBCM is 2020 June 30.

For the convenience of Council, this report also details senior government response to resolutions previously approved by Council and submitted to the UBCM Convention in 2018 and 2019.

2.0 POLICY

The proposed 2020 resolutions are aligned with the City of Burnaby's *Corporate Strategic Plan* by supporting the following goals and sub-goals of the Plan:

- ***A Connected Community***
 - Partnership – Work collaboratively with businesses, educational institutions, associations, other communities and governments
- ***An Inclusive Community***
 - Serve a Diverse Community – Ensure City services fully meet the needs of our dynamic community
 - Create a Sense of Community – Provide opportunities that encourage and welcome all community members and create a sense of belonging
- ***A Dynamic Community***
 - Community Development – Manage change by balancing economic development with environmental protection and maintaining a sense of belonging

3.0 2020 UBCM RESOLUTION

This section provides background information on a new resolution that has been developed for Council's consideration and possible submission to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and UBCM Convention.

3.1 ***Resolution: Increase Effectiveness of Tenant Assistance***

The British Columbia *Residential Tenancy Act* (RTA) establishes the rights and responsibilities of landlords and tenants. Under the *RTA*, a landlord who wishes to end a tenancy in order to redevelop a rental property can only do so on certain grounds and must provide each tenant with at least four months' written notice and compensation equal to one month's rent. The landlord must have obtained required permits and approvals prior to issuing the notice, and must abide by other provisions governing special circumstances, such as fixed-term tenancies, vacancy prior to notice date, dispute resolution.

While the provisions of the *RTA* establish a landlord's obligation to tenants, many municipalities have adopted policies to secure supplementary assistance for tenants facing displacement due to redevelopment. The patchwork of tenant assistance policies and approaches from municipalities, while demonstrated to substantially benefit tenants, creates an unequal and uncertain environment for tenants, landlords, and developers. In 2016, Council sponsored a UBCM resolution to ask the Province to amend the *RTA* to include an improved and standardized approach to tenant assistance, helping to create even expectations across the province. While the provincial response at the time was to not amend the *RTA*, the City received correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on 2020 January 17 indicating that the Province is now working with local governments to develop tenant compensation and relocation guidelines.

Currently under Section 298(2) of the *Local Government Act* and Section 54(2) of the *Community Charter*, a local government is limited in its ability to require tenant assistance. Specifically, it may only require it as a condition of rezoning approval, but not of development permit, building permit,

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or demolition permit issuance. The *RTA* was amended in 2018 to require landlords to give tenants the first right of refusal to enter into a new tenancy agreement, at a rent determined by the landlord, if the landlord ends the tenancy due to renovation or repair. Should the landlord fail to provide the right of first refusal, the tenant is to be compensated 12 months' rent. While this new requirement will assist some tenants, benefits often required through municipal tenant assistance policies, such as financial assistance to help find alternate housing in the interim period and pay for moving expenses, are not required under the *RTA*, and may cause significant hardship for tenants, especially vulnerable tenants, such as seniors or individuals on limited or fixed incomes.

Furthermore, municipalities are limited in their ability to enforce the satisfactory completion of tenant assistance plans. For example, municipalities cannot withhold occupancy of a new building even if the property owner has failed to follow through with their required assistance to tenants of the building that was demolished. The availability of additional tools to help ensure all agreed upon tenant assistance is delivered are desirable.

The *Employment and Assistance Regulation* and the *Employment and Assistance for Persons with Disabilities Act* regulate the provision of income assistance in British Columbia. Staff received confirmation from the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction that rent top-ups provided for tenants as required by a tenant assistance policy will be considered income under the above regulations and therefore would negatively affect tenants who receive income assistance or disability assistance payments. As a goal of a tenant assistance policy is to keep tenants housed while minimizing stress and life disruption resulting from displacement due to redevelopment of rental housing, a tenant's ability to maintain their income levels while awaiting tenancy in a new building would be in keeping with this goal.

In addition, the nature of a tenant assistance policy requires that tenants' personal information is collected for the purposes of provision of assistance. Collection and sharing of personal information is governed by the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)* and the *Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA)*. These Acts are complex and difficult to navigate. To assist with the application of this legislation, it is requested that a guidance document specific to tenant assistance policies be developed to assist municipalities and property owners with adherence to the respective Acts.

To expand tenant protections beyond the current legislative scope, the following resolution has been prepared for Council's consideration:

RESOLUTION: Supporting Tenants and Local Governments in the Delivery of Tenant Assistance

WHEREAS municipalities have limited authority to require enhanced protections for tenants, except in limited instances, such as rezoning applications;

AND WHEREAS the benefits provided to tenants under municipal tenant assistance policies often help vulnerable individuals and families in the community, including those receiving income assistance from senior levels of government;

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AND WHEREAS even when local government tenant assistance policies may apply, implementation and enforcement of municipal tenant assistance plans are challenging due to overarching provincial mandates, jurisdiction, and processes;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that UBCM urge the provincial government to review the *Residential Tenancy Act* and other provincial legislation to:

- Allow municipalities the ability to require tenant assistance for additional types of permits and applications, and provide municipalities greater enforcement powers to ensure compliance and delivery of tenant assistance benefits secured by local governments;
- Ensure monthly rental supplement payments received during displacement as benefits under municipal tenant assistance policies are not considered income, which may inadvertently affect an individual's ability to qualify for income and disability assistance programs and other financial assistance; and,
- Have the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner for British Columbia create guidance documents for municipalities and landlords on the collection of personal information for the purpose of tenant assistance policies.

3.2 Next Steps

Pending approval by Council, the proposed new resolution will be forwarded to the Lower Mainland Local Government Association (LMLGA) AGM (deadline 2020 March 05) and the Union of BC Municipalities (UBCM) annual Convention (2020 September 21 – 25) for discussion and endorsement consideration. The UBCM deadline for any further resolutions desired by Council is 2020 June 30.

4.0 2019 UBCM RESOLUTIONS

4.1 Resolution: Elected Local Government Officials Participation in the Municipal Pension Plan

At its meeting on 2019 March 25, Council approved a resolution urging the Province to enable elected local government officials to participate in the provincially administered pension plans in place in these jurisdictions. Currently in British Columbia elected officials do not meet the employee eligibility requirements to become members of the Municipal Pension Plan. This is based upon the Plan's definition of an eligible employee. Elected officials hold tenure of office and as such they are not bound by a contract of service as would normally apply to an 'employee'. As there is no contract of service with specific duties and responsibilities that would exist in a typical employee/employer relationship, members of Council are not considered to be an employee under the Municipal Pension Plan and are therefore not eligible for membership in the plan.

This resolution was endorsed at the 2019 UBCM Convention. The Ministry of Finance and the Public Sector Employers' Council Secretariat responded to this resolution in 2020 February. They recognized the important role of elected local officials in helping communities grow and the commitments that often last many years. They state that a first step in considering the inclusion of local government officials in the Municipal Pension Plan is to identify any barriers, including legal barriers. Ministry of Finance staff have initiated stakeholder engagement such as with the BC

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Pension Corporation on potential challenges that exist before considering amendments to the *Public Sector Pension Plans Act*.

4.2 Resolution: BC Building Code Alignment with National Building Code of Canada – Secondary Suites

Council also adopted a resolution urging the provincial government to align the provisions for secondary suites in the British Columbia Building Code with those of the National Building Code. While some provinces, such as Saskatchewan and Nova Scotia, adopt the National Building Code in its entirety, British Columbia publishes its own Code through regulations that are informed by the National Building Code. Variations between the two codes can sometimes cause unnecessary confusion and limit the possibilities for creation of rental housing.

For example, the BC Building Code 2018 currently does not permit secondary suites in a duplex or other multi-family building such as a townhouse. However, the National Building Code 2015 does outline provisions for including suites in multi-family buildings. Secondary suites are an affordable rental alternative to apartment living for many individuals and families in tight housing markets across B.C. As such, limiting the creation of such suites through the BC Building Code regulations is problematic, particularly when the National Building Code permits them.

The recently updated 2018 BC Building Code has in many respects moved closer, or exceeds, the standards contained within the most recent 2015 National Building Code. For example, the BC Building Code 2018 combines the requirements of the National Building Code 2015 with B.C.'s existing requirements to achieve a higher level of building accessibility. However, standards relating to secondary suites have not been harmonized between the two Codes leading to missed rental housing opportunities. This is a common experience of many local governments across British Columbia, particularly those in the Lower Mainland and Southern Vancouver Island.

At the 2019 UBCM Convention, this resolution was not considered at the Convention due to a lack of time and was therefore referred to UBCM Executive for further review. The Executive Committee referred the resolution to an UBCM Committee for consideration and recommendations. Staff will update Council should the results of that review be received.

5.0 2018 UBCM RESOLUTIONS

5.1 Resolution: Taxation Reforms to protect farming uses in the Agricultural Land Reserve

At its meeting of 2018 March 12, Council approved a resolution urging the Province to pursue taxation reform mechanisms to protect Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR) land for farming uses. The ALR is a provincial zone in which agriculture is recognized as the priority use. Farming is encouraged and non-agricultural uses are restricted. The zone is managed by the Provincial Agricultural Land Commission (ALC). Burnaby's agricultural lands are located in the Big Bend area, and include 234 hectares within the ALR as well as lands outside the ALR that are zoned for agriculture.

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The resolution was prepared as a result of a discussion stemming from *The Metro Vancouver Regional Report (Summer 2010 & 2011) Agriculture Land Use Inventory*, which outlines that only 13 percent of the ALR in Metro Vancouver is used solely for farming, with another 43 percent used for farming in combination with other uses (e.g. residential). This resolution was endorsed at the 2018 UBCM Convention.

In 2018 November, the Provincial Government introduced Bill 52, the *Agricultural Land Commission Amendment Act*. The Bill restricts the size of residential buildings on ALR lands to 5,400 square feet. Exemptions would be potentially available should special circumstances warrant (e.g. multi-generational farming family living together). As well, existing homes and homes well advanced in construction are exempt. The Bill also eliminates the previous two zone administrative structure (i.e. Zone 1: Island, Okanagan, South Coast / Zone 2: Interior, Kootenay, North), and increases penalties for the dumping of construction debris and other toxic waste on ALR land.

On 2018 November 27, Bill 52 received Royal Assent and the changes officially took effect on 2019 February 22. As well, in its response to the resolution noted above, the Ministry of Agriculture noted that “Ministry staff are working with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Ministry of Finance to explore potential options to better ensure farm property tax benefits support the intended recipients”.

In its final report released on 2019 April 30, *Revitalizing the Agricultural Land Reserve and the Agricultural Land Commission: Final Committee Report to the Minister of Agriculture*, the Minister of Agriculture’s Advisory Committee proposed 32 recommendations under three strategic shifts: agriculture first ALR governance; a protected, productive ALR; and farmer and rancher resilience in the ALR; to support agriculture in the province. Under the farmer and rancher resilience in the ALR strategic direction, the Committee recommended that the Ministry of Agriculture consider reviewing and increasing the income threshold for farm properties qualifying for the BC Assessment Farm Class. The Ministry of Agriculture has yet to initiate work on this particular recommendation.

5.2 Resolution: Software Consumer Protections for Public Institutions

At its meeting of 2018 March 12, Council approved a resolution asking for the Federal government to consider additional consumer protection mechanisms for public institutions when purchasing software as well as related support and maintenance programs. This resolution arose from concerns discussed by Council in Fall 2018 regarding the significant financial pressure upon cities and other public institutions to make financially prudent software investment decisions while still maintaining an expected level of electronic customer service. More specifically, the terms and conditions imposed by the software/technology vendors are becoming increasingly problematic in terms of accelerated product obsolescence, total cost of ownership and the ability to maintain citizen data across the entire product lifecycle.

This resolution was endorsed at the 2018 UBCM Convention. To date, no response has been received from the Federal government. Staff will update Council should a response be received.

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5.3 Resolution: Enhanced Municipal Bylaw Fine Collection Procedures

At its meeting of 2018 March 12, Council approved a resolution requesting the Provincial Government to further streamline the mechanisms available for local government when collecting bylaw fines, particularly those that are outstanding. The existing processes available to local governments are time-consuming, costly and onerous for local governments. For example, the court online filing system for unpaid fines could be improved so that multiple fines outstanding against one person could be filed together, rather than separately as currently required. This simple change would reduce both the time and filing administration costs (charged by the courts for each filing) borne by cities, and correspondingly increase the rate of fine collection.

This resolution was endorsed at the 2018 UBCM Convention, and was similar to another resolution submitted by the Resort Municipality of Whistler. In its response, the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing stated that there are other reasonable remedies available to local governments for levying, administering, and collecting fine violations and that the Province is not currently prepared to examine this matter. No further response has been received from the Province on this topic.

6.0 SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

This report proposes one new resolution for submission to the 2020 LMLGA AGM and UBCM Convention. For the convenience of Council, the report also provides an update on resolutions submitted in 2018 and 2019.

It is recommended that Council endorse the new resolution, as outlined in Section 3.0 of this report, for submission to the LMLGA AGM and 2020 UBCM Convention. It is also recommended that staff be authorized to forward a copy of this report, accompanied by any supporting background reports and information, to the UBCM. Finally, it is recommended that a copy of this report be circulated to Burnaby MLAs and to Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing for information.

Any additional resolutions which may come forward subsequent to this report, and prior to the 2020 June 30 UBCM deadline, may be submitted directly to the UBCM for possible consideration at the 2020 UBCM Convention.


for: E.W. Kozak, Director

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Caylee Simmons

From: Community Development Institute <cdi@unbc.ca>
Sent: March-27-20 11:52 AM
To: Community Development Institute
Cc: Marleen Morris; Greg Halseth
Subject: The Community Development Institute at UNBC supports you and invites you to share your stories!



Dear Community Partners,

During this time of uncertainty, the Community Development Institute (CDI) at the University of Northern British Columbia would like to express our support to communities around BC. This is a challenging time for all; where normal patterns of community and social interaction have been interrupted. While physical distancing is necessary - community and social support and solidarity are vital.



To support communities, the CDI is creating a space where communities can share their creative and innovative ways of ensuring that people are staying connected. In using our Facebook page as a platform for sharing these ideas, we hope to provide a resource for all communities and organizations to share, learn, and communicate!

We invite you to share stories and information about what is happening in your community to help people stay connected and be supported. Let's come together to spread good ideas and hope.

Don't forget to follow us on  and  to share your stories and read about what others are doing too!

With warmest and best regards,

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Dear Mayor Harrison,

The deepening of our mutual understanding and respect for our cultures and values in our long history of exchanges have become an irreplaceable asset for us and is deeply engraved in our memories. It is the result of the enthusiasm and effort of the people of Salmon Arm that the friendship between the two cities has been steadily bearing fruit, and I would like to express my sincere respect and appreciation.

We are really afraid to inform you that reluctantly we had to cancel this international cultural exchange that we had been preparing to welcome you for the event of March, 2020 due to the spread of the covid-19 in Japan.

I feel disappointed about this unfortunate situation and a lot of people in Inashiki have the same feeling.

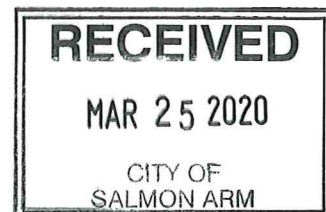
At present, the impact of the covid-19 on Inashiki City is small, so please do not worry.

Finally, I greatly appreciate that we could keep building this wonderful relationship between the two cities and hope to expand this longtime international exchange.

Sincerely yours,

筑 信太郎 茨城県稲敷市長之印

Shintaro Kakehi
Mayor



Caylee Simmons

From: Cathy Peters
Sent: March-22-20 10:47 AM
To: Caylee Simmons
Subject: Ontario Releases a New and Comprehensive Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking
Attachments: IMG_1204.jpg

Importance: High

Good morning Salmon Arm City Council and Mayor Alan Harrison,
Human Sex trafficking/Sexual Exploitation/ Child Sexual Exploitation including Violent Online Sexual Images is a public health crisis and human rights issue in this country impacting the most vulnerable.

Coronavirus efforts are the priority now, but I want you to be aware of what Ontario is doing pro-actively to stop Sexual Exploitation (see below).

During this crisis, children are at home on more screen time making them even more vulnerable to predators and traffickers.

Traffickers take advantage of a crisis like this one.

Ontario has also developed Indigenous-led Initiatives, which make Ontario best practices in Canada for addressing this crime.

I have alerted **every MP in Canada**.

My ASK: Strengthen the "Protection of Communities and Exploited Persons Act" in Canada and combine with a robust National Awareness campaign.

March 9, I presented to **Richmond City Council** for 5 minutes on the global sex trade and **how to protect our communities**.

I speak at 48:44-54:00. Please view and share with your contacts, colleagues, communities.

http://richmond.ca.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=1&clip_id=388

City Councils can decide on the type of business activity they want in their communities with **business licensing**. For example unregistered massage and body rub parlours, nail spas, holistic health center, modelling agencies, tattoo parlours, escort services, cheap bars and hotels, men's clubs, AirBnB, VRBO, casinos, strip clubs, organized crime "club houses" can be typical covers for sex trafficking/exploitation.

ASK: Please alert the Premier of BC and Solicitor General that BC needs to make addressing this crime a priority. BC is decades behind Ontario and will become the bordello of Canada if we do not enforce the Federal Law and have Provincial Prevention Education.

Sincerely, Cathy Peters
BC anti-human trafficking educator, speaker, advocate
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*News Release***Ontario Releases a New and Comprehensive Strategy to Combat Human Trafficking**

March 6, 2020

\$307 million invested to protect children and youth, crack down on offenders

ST. CATHARINES — The Government of Ontario is taking strong action to protect children and youth, support survivors, raise awareness and hold offenders accountable by releasing Ontario's new anti-human trafficking strategy today.

Premier Doug Ford, Jill Dunlop, Associate Minister of Children and Women's Issues, and Solicitor General Sylvia Jones released today a new, comprehensive five-year strategy to combat human trafficking and end child sexual exploitation across the province. The new strategy is the largest total investment in dedicated anti-human trafficking supports and services in the country and is a major step forward in Ontario's fight against human trafficking.

"Human traffickers prey on the most vulnerable members of our society — our children," said Premier Doug Ford. "We must put an end to this disgusting industry and take immediate steps to keep our kids safe. Our new strategy takes strong and decisive action to support survivors, raise awareness, and give our police the tools and resources they need to put these criminals behind bars."

[Ontario's Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy](#) will invest \$307 million over the next five years on a proactive, comprehensive action plan focused on four key areas:

- **Raising awareness of the issue** by launching a new, province-wide marketing campaign to educate children, youth, parents, and the broader public about what human trafficking is, how to recognize the signs, and where to get help.
- **Holding offenders accountable** by giving law enforcement more specialized Crown prosecution support for human trafficking cases, strengthening intelligence gathering in the correctional system, and investing in police services to help coordinate anti-human trafficking investigations and expand the Ontario Provincial Police Child Sexual Exploitation Unit.
- **Protecting victims and intervening early** by investing in specialized intervention teams involving police and child protection services, incorporating human trafficking awareness into the education curriculum, and establishing dedicated, licensed residences to support victims, including those under the age of 16.

- **Supporting survivors** by investing new funding in wrap-around, community-based supports and Indigenous-led initiatives to make more services available for survivors and by enhancing victim services to assist survivors throughout the court process.

"Survivors of human trafficking require specific, ongoing supports to help them exit trafficking, heal from their trauma and rebuild their lives," said Jill Dunlop, Associate Minister of Children and Women's Issues. "Our new strategy doubles the investment in community-based services for survivors, while also providing a range of new supports focused on children and youth, which has been a critical gap until now. It provides increased supports for Indigenous communities and takes a cross-government approach to reinforce Ontario as a leader in combatting human trafficking."

To address the needs of First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities and organizations, and frontline workers, Indigenous-specific initiatives are integrated throughout Ontario's new strategy. Examples of these initiatives include targeted public awareness activities, Indigenous-led community-based supports for survivors such as counselling, cultural teachings and healing ceremonies, victim services delivered by Indigenous communities and organizations, and culturally-appropriate supports for at-risk youth.

"Human trafficking is a vastly under-reported crime often hidden in our communities," said Sylvia Jones, Solicitor General. "A crucial component of our new strategy involves strengthening law enforcement and justice sector initiatives so we can better support victims, improve our ability to target and find perpetrators, intercept human trafficking networks and ultimately bring criminals to justice."

Co-led by Solicitor General Jones and Associate Minister Dunlop, Ontario's new Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy demonstrates the government's commitment to ensure the fight against human trafficking becomes a national priority. The strategy reflects valuable input from survivors of human trafficking, Indigenous communities and organizations, law enforcement and frontline service providers. The government will continue to work collaboratively with these and other partners to ensure the strategy is meaningful and effective.

QUICK FACTS

- Human trafficking is one of the fastest-growing crimes worldwide. Approximately two-thirds of police-reported human trafficking violations in Canada occur in Ontario.
- The average age of recruitment into sex trafficking is 13 years old.
- Over 70 per cent of human trafficking victims identified by police are under the age of 25.
- Young women and girls are particularly at risk, especially those from Indigenous communities and children and youth in care, though boys, men and people who are LGBTQ are also targeted.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- [Ontario's New Anti-Human Trafficking Strategy](#)

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

- Ontario.ca/humantrafficking
- [@StopTrafficking](#)
- [#KnowHumanTrafficking](#)
- Canadianhumantraffickinghotline.ca

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