




## Funding Opportunity

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| Date:  | June 11, 2021   |
| Funding Program:   | COVID-19 Safe Restart – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Allocation  |
| Broad purposes as stated in the funding program description: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• addressing revenues shortfalls;</li><li>• facility reopening and operating costs;</li><li>• emergency planning and response costs;</li><li>• bylaw enforcement and protective services like fire protection and police;</li><li>• computer and other electronic technology costs (to improve interconnectivity and virtual communications);</li><li>• services for vulnerable persons (e.g. persons living with disabilities, mental illness or addictions, persons experiencing homelessness or other vulnerabilities); and</li><li>• other related costs.</li></ul>   |
| Proposal:  | <p>To allocate \$150,000 to development and expansion of our emergency programs, with a specific goal of developing robust and nimble Business Continuity Plans.</p> <p>Since 2017 we have been striving towards policies, practices and methods to safely continue offering our essential business services while we are in an emergency response/recovery. Our work with the Phase 1 COVID Safe Restart Funds will move us forward in our understanding of the risks and hazards we currently face as well as preparing us to adjust in a efficient, effective and responsible manner to the new Emergency Program Act which is scheduled to be introduced in the spring of 2022.</p> <p>The development of Business Continuity Plans to address critical infrastructure including governmental and financial services, public safety, information technology (including 9-1-1) and environmental/utility concerns is the logical next step and will build on the work currently underway as well as our experiences in recent responses.</p> |

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| What service will this application benefit?  | All services, as well as the public who rely/receive them, will ultimately benefit from the development and implementation of business continuity plans.  |
| Who are the service participants?  | All Electoral Areas   |
| Are we ready to proceed?   | These projects will span to coming year, at least. There will need to be resources allocated to investigating opportunities, developing relationships and partnerships. These projects will build on the work done in conducting the review of the Emergency Program completed with resources allocated pursuant to the Phase 1 COVID Safe Restart Fund.                              |
| Does the proposal fit within the Board's Strategic Plan or the annual Business Plan? | Yes. The Board's Strategic and Tactical plans include projects that identify risks and hazards due to flood, landslide and fire. Having resources to participate in projects and to leverage funds would be of great benefit to the Regional District. These projects are designed and implemented in a way to ensure cross departmental information and decision making all benefit. |
| What are the capital implications of the proposal?                                   | The projects envisioned are not capital in nature, there are generally capacity building in nature.   |
| What are the short, medium and long term operations implications of the proposal?    | The Cariboo Regional District is seeing and experiencing the very real impacts of climate change. From fires to floods to landslides, we have had three full years of activations and recovery. Business continuity is a key component of community resilience.   |
| Are there implications to property taxation for the service?                         | All services need information and increased capacity. Allocating COVID Safe Restart funds will alleviate the need for these projects to be fully funded by the taxpayer.  |
| Does the proposal clearly fit in the guidelines of the funding program?              | Yes. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emergency planning and response costs;</li> <li>• Other related costs.</li> </ul>   |
| Proponent:   | Staff   |
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