



*building communities together*

## **2024 Business Plan South Cariboo Transit Service (1028)**

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***Working in partnership with communities large and small to offer local, sub-regional, and regional services to ensure that the Cariboo Chilcotin is a socially, economically, and environmentally desirable region.***

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### **Department/Function Services**

The South Cariboo Transit Service function was established through Bylaw No. 3282 in 1997.

This service is provided by means of a contract with the District of 100 Mile House. The contract is based on ridership from a local service area, which is a portion of Electoral Area G in the 108 Mile Ranch and Lac La Hache areas. Under the terms of the contract, the Regional District pays 50 percent of the net municipal cost of the service. The current contract has a three-year term from April 1, 2023, to March 31, 2028.

Requisition is by way of a parcel tax. The maximum requisition is \$25,000 or \$0.14/\$1,000 of assessment.

As the Electoral Area G Director is the only stakeholder, and the *Local Government Act* requires more than one vote, the entire Board is responsible for the governance of this service.

### **Business Plan Goals, Rationale & Strategies**

#### **2024 Goal**

No new goals identified for 2024.

## **Overall Financial Impact**

In 2024, the requisition was reduced by 2.1%, amounting to a decrease of \$1,159 for a total annual requisition of \$60,000.

The 2025–2028 requisitions are stabilized at \$60,000 annually with an appropriate operating surplus in place to accommodate mid-term inflationary cost increases and vehicle replacement from BC Transit.

## **Significant Issues & Trends**

South Cariboo Transit ridership was steady throughout 2023, but highly dependent on repeated use by individuals.

In 2022, rides totaled 7,574, demonstrating continued regular use of the service.

The Cariboo Regional District is a signatory on the Province of BC/UBCM Climate Action Charter and has committed to continuing work towards carbon neutrality in respect of corporate operations.

## **Measuring Previous Years Performance**

**Goal:** Review the Contribution Agreement with the District of 100 Mile House.

- Completed. A new five-year agreement was signed to 2028.