

BC Safe Restart Grant Program

CVRD Board – December 15, 2020

Immediate Response



Established a **regional emergency operations centre**



Temporarily shut down public facilities and outdoor gathering spaces



Share public works staff with municipal partners to keep essential services like sewer and water operating seamlessly



Implemented **new safety protocols**



Encouraged **staff to work from home**



Provided **\$148,000 in grant funding** to support our most vulnerable populations



Supported **food distribution** for those in need

Resulting Impact

Loss in revenue that supports services like recreation and transit



Higher operating costs to comply with new safety protocols



Administrative savings due to fewer meetings, cancelled travel and training, reduced employee benefit contributions and cancelled non-critical projects



SUMMER

Action

CVRD staff review relevance and priority of projects



Outcome

Identify **key actions** within context of CVRD strategic drivers



FALL

Action

CVRD Board reviews recommendations and finalizes the plan



Outcome

Rethink Comox Valley is adopted and shared with the public



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Recommendation

Action	Value
EOC (community partnerships and technology)	\$200,000
Comox Valley Community Foundation	\$100,000
Safe work, public engagement and access to services (IT)	\$100,000
Rural fire departments	\$40,000
Retained for recreation, community halls and food security (further reports pending)	\$283,000