

Scott, Karyn L CSCD:EX

From: Karen Sharp <Karen.Sharp@radiumhotsprings.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, April 16, 2014 12:23 PM
To: Scott, Karyn L CSCD:EX
Cc: Mark Read
Subject: Small Communities Grant option?

Hi Karyn,

Yesterday at the Council Meeting the Mayor, Greg Deck, asked staff to inquire about the possibility of being able to return unspent funds from the Small Communities. As this would be a first, there are several aspects to consider: Would this set a precedent that would affect any other municipality? Could there be a sunset clause? I.e. Zeballos currently is the smallest BC municipality of 125 citizens (2011 Census Information for BC Municipalities, www.civicinfo.ca), if they receive the Small Community Grant – when Jumbo reaches the same population (set at 125) can the return of unspent funds be ceased? What formula or documentation would be used to determine unspent funds? I.e. Audited Financial Statements or a letter from the Auditor (thus 3rd party) verifying the amount? What mechanism could be used to return unspent funds? I.e. apply a credit to the next years' grant?

Would this be something that the Ministry would be interested in working towards? Would you be the contact or is there someone else?

Please let me know what would be the next step towards determining if this is possible.

Thank you,

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Newton, Alexa CSCD:EX

From: Newton, Alexa CSCD:EX
Sent: Thursday, March 27, 2014 9:42 AM
To: 'karen.sharp@radiumhotsprings.ca'
Cc: Scott, Karyn L CSCD:EX
Subject: Small Community Grant Information

Hello Karen,

In addition to the information you have already referenced on our Local Government website, there is legislation that outlines how Small Community Protection Grants are calculated. I have attached a link below for your reference.

http://www.bclaws.ca/EPLibraries/bclaws_new/document/ID/freeside/221_95#part_division1

If additional information is required, media requests must be addressed to our Ministry Communications and Public Engagement contact Shannon Hagerman at (250) 953-3677 or shannon.hagerman@gov.bc.ca

Regards,

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From: LGIF CSCD:EX
Sent: Friday, June 27, 2014 11:48 AM
To: 'karen.sharp@radiumhotsprings.ca'
Subject: 2014 Strategic Community Investment Fund Letter

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His Worship Mayor Greg Deck
and Members of Council
Jumbo Glacier Mountain Resort Municipality
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Dear Mayor Deck and Councillors:

Strategic spending by British Columbia communities stimulates local economies, encourages growth, creates local jobs, and helps offset the effects of the ongoing global economic downturn. Recognizing this, the Province of British Columbia developed the Strategic Community Investment Fund (SCIF) to provide accelerated grant funding to local governments. The current iteration of SCIF covers five payment installments over three calendar years (2012 through 2014).

To date, the current iteration of the SCIF program has provided local governments with \$232.4 million in accelerated grant funding. This resulted in local communities receiving more provincial funding sooner, giving greater certainty and improved financial flexibility for the future.

The June 2014 payment installment will total \$73.7 million, consisting of \$38.6 million for the Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Program to help municipalities enhance policing and community-based public safety programs, and \$35.1 million for Small Community and Regional District Grants supporting local governments to provide services in areas with smaller tax bases.

For your community, the following amount(s) were transferred to you on or before June 30, 2014.

- Small Community Grant \$200,000
- Traffic Fine Revenue \$ 0

As with the previous Strategic Community Investment Fund program, we expect that local governments will continue to report publicly on the use of these funds through the annual reporting requirements.

Sincerely,

"Original signed by"

Coralee Oakes