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BUSINESS VANCOUVER

ECONOMY (/SECTIONS/ECONOMY/)

Wildfires' economic toll mounting for miners and other B.C. businesses

Mine production suspended, mills closed, shop owners facing huge
losses from forest fires

By Kelly Sinoski | Aug. 14, 2017, 6 a.m.

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BC Wildfire Response and Recovery Program for Small Business Emergency Response Information and Application

Purpose

Businesses are a foundation to any community and key to a community's success. When businesses can't operate or have operated at reduced levels due to situations such as wildfires, we know they require support to get them back on track.

Program

The Program provides Financial Assistance and Business Consulting and/or Confidential Business Owner Consulting.

Financial Assistance

Financial support is provided as a loan with terms as noted:

Up to \$20,000	Interest free for 2 years Prime plus 2% after year 2 5 year amortization No payment requirements for one year 20% of financing becomes non-repayable if business is in operation after year 2
\$20,001 - \$150,000	Will be considered under traditional Community Futures financing options

Some conditions may apply.

The business owner must be prepared to sign a personal guarantee for any portion of the financial contribution that is repayable. In the case of not for profit organisations or incorporated companies, a director must sign on its behalf.

Business Consulting and/or Confidential Business Owner Consulting

It's common for businesses to require skilled professional advice to get back on track as soon as possible and it's also very common for businesses owners to become overwhelmed with many aspects the disaster has placed upon them. The Emergency Response and Recovery Program provides these services at no charge. Please note "Yes" in the appropriate block on the application if this is of interest to you.

Eligible Applicants

Any business* that:

- Was in operation when the emergency commenced
- Has a valid business license or approval to operate from the municipal or regional government
- Has not been able to operate or has operated at a reduced level for more than 5 consecutive days due to the BC Wildfire situation

*Business includes for profit and not for profit organisations, sole proprietorships, partnerships and incorporated companies, ranches and farms and co-ops with 50 or fewer employees.

Timing and Time Frame

Applications may be submitted at any time until March 31, 2018 or until funds are exhausted whichever comes first. In most cases application adjudication and financing will be completed within 5 business days.

Review and Appeal Process

In the event that an application is declined, the business owner may, within 30 days of notice, write his/her concerns to: Executive Director, C/O Community Futures BC. C230 - 7871 Slave Lake St., Mission, BC V2V 0C5 or Email info@communityfutures.ca.

Funding for this Program has been provided by:

BC Wildfire Response and Recovery Program for Small Business Emergency Response Financial and Service Application

BUSINESS INFORMATION

Name of Company/Business _____

Principal Owner(s)

Name _____ Role _____ Ownership % _____ Phone # _____

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Business # _____ Year Business Established _____ # Employees _____

Address of Business _____ Postal Code _____

Location if Different _____

Business Phone _____ Email _____

Business Fax _____ Website _____

Structure of Business ☐ Proprietorship ☐ Partnership ☐ Incorporation ☐ Co-op ☐ Not for Profit

Type of Business ☐ Retail ☐ Wholesale ☐ Tourism ☐ Hospitality ☐ Manufacturing

☐ Construction ☐ Forestry ☐ Other: Specify _____

Complete this section if your business structure is a Proprietorship or Partnership

Have you been involved in any claims or lawsuits? ☐ Yes / ☐ No Have you ever declared bankruptcy? ☐ Yes / ☐ No

Have you ever had an asset repossessed? ☐ Yes / ☐ No Do you owe any back taxes? ☐ Yes / ☐ No

SUMMARY EMERGENCY SITUATION - FINANCIAL & SERVICE REQUEST

Business Interrupted by Evacuation _____ Road Access Cut Off _____ Other: Specify _____

Estimated Revenue Loss \$ _____

Emergency Program Financial Assistance Requested \$ _____ (Please enter your request up to \$20,000)

Are you also requesting consideration for regular Community Futures financing for more than the Emergency Program Assistance? ☐ Yes / ☐ No If yes, please provide the requested amount above \$20,000 \$ _____

What will the Financial Assistance be used for? _____

The Emergency Response Program also offers Business Consulting and/or Confidential Business Owner Consulting at no charge. Can we help you with either? ☐ Yes / ☐ No

If yes, can we reach you by the above contacts ☐ Yes / ☐ No If no, please provide contact information and best time to contact _____

THE FINE PRINT & SIGNATURES

I/We, the undersigned, declare that the statements made herein are for the purpose of obtaining financing and are to the best of my/our knowledge true and correct. I/We consent to Community Futures British Columbia making inquiries it deems necessary to reach a decision on this application and consent to the disclosure at any time of any credit information about me/us to any credit reporting agency or to anyone with whom I/We have financial relations. In case of a Not For Profit/Incorporation/ Co-op Directors are required to sign.

Signature of Applicant _____ Title _____ Date _____

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For HO Use: Date Rec'd _____ Stats Cap _____ \$ Trans _____

For LO Use: Meet Set _____ Date: _____ Time _____ BI _____ EDPO _____ \$ Disb _____

Strong businesses are the foundation of rural BC and more and more frequently, natural disasters are impacting these businesses and the communities they serve. Community Futures is the only organization throughout rural BC with a mandate for small business and community economic development making it the logical organization to deliver an Emergency Response and Recovery Program to businesses when disaster strikes.

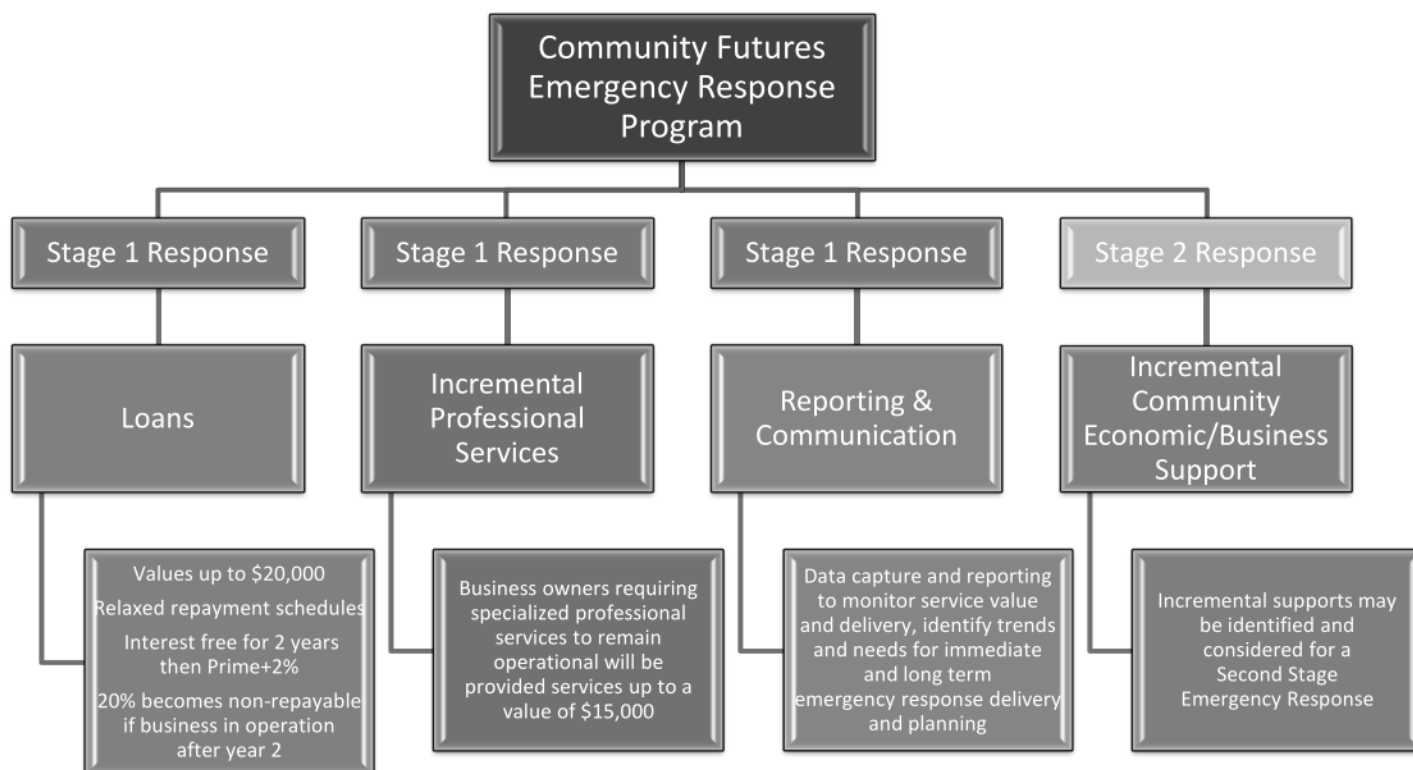
Principles of the Program:

- ✓ Directed to business
- ✓ Time responsive
- ✓ Holistic
- ✓ Collaborative

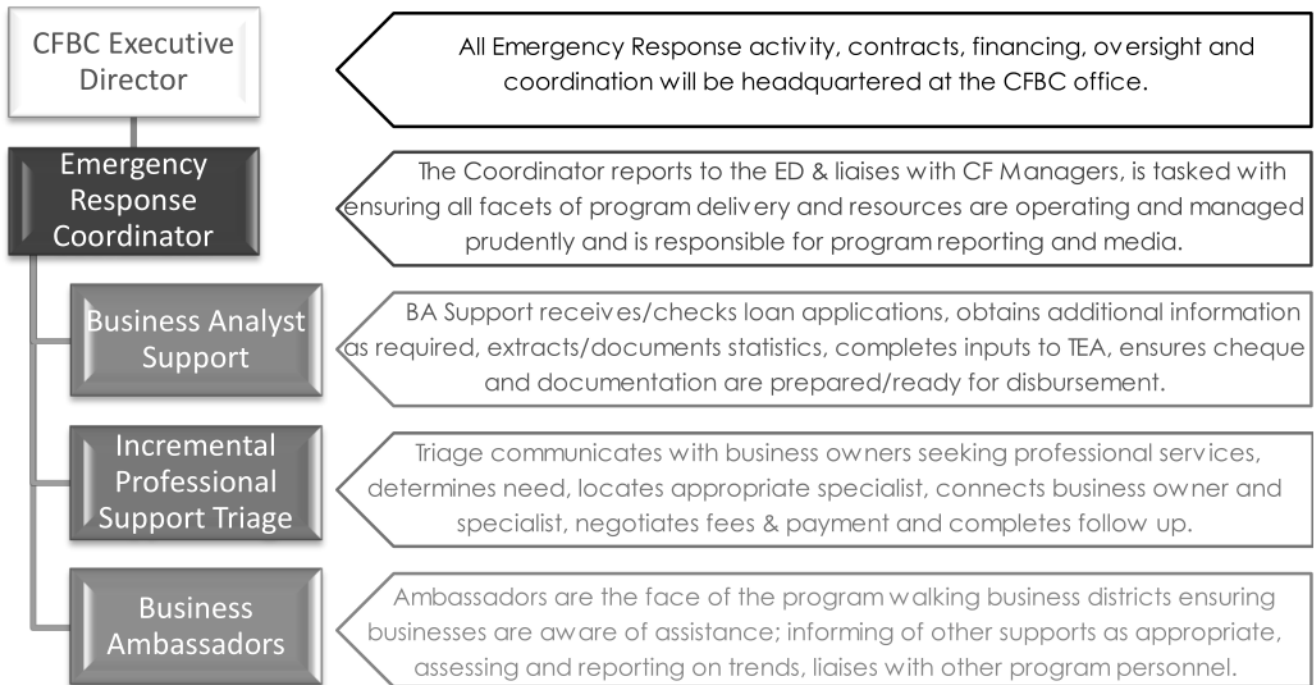
Attention to:

- ✓ Simplified business model
- ✓ Clear roles for involved personnel
- ✓ Work flows
- ✓ Speed of Service & Ease of Access for Applicants
- ✓ Data capture, reporting & monitoring

**Emergency Response and Recovery Program
Priority Stages and Offerings**



Emergency Response and Recovery Program Human Resource Functions



Emergency Response and Recovery Program Current Situation with BC Wildfires

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Emergency Response and Recovery Program 2017/18 Budget & Reporting

Wildfires are currently active in 9 Community Futures regions:

Cariboo Chilcotin

Thompson Country

North Cariboo

Okanagan Similkameen

Sun Country

North Kootenay

Central Interior First Nations

Mount Waddington

Nicola Valley

Due to the extent of devastation it is evident the priority for this year is with the CF's located in the central regions of BC with most program resources directed there.

Headquartered at the BC Community Futures Association the Emergency Response and Recovery Programs' human and financial resources can be directed to where there is the most need.

REVENUE	
WED	s.17,s.2
NDIT - 2.5 FTE Business Ambassadors	1
NDIT - Incremental Professional Services	
TOTAL REVENUE	\$ 11,147,500

LOANS TO BUSINESS	
Loans up to a maximum of \$20,000	s.17,s.21 Provision for a minimum of 500 businesses
TOTAL LOAN FUNDING	\$ 10,000,000

WAGES (Emergency Response Team ERT)	
Emergency Response Coordinator	s.17,s.21
Business Analyst Support (4)	
Business Ambassadors (12)	
Incremental Professional Triage Coordinator	
Sub Total Wages	
MERC's at 6%	
TOTAL WAGES	\$ 796,484

OPERATING EXPENSES	
Accounting and Legal	s.17,s.21
Program Information	
Contractor - Incremental Professional Services	
Contractor - Trainers	
Courier Postage	
Computers and Software	
Interest & Bank Charges	
Office Supplies	
Contingency	
Telephone	
Training Expenses	
Travel for ER Coordinator	
Travel for ER Program Personnel	
Web Updates CFBC and Participating CF's	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 351,016
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NET INCOME	\$ -

Community Futures endeavours to attract additional funds from other government and non-government sources to support Emergency Response and Recovery Program.

Indications are that natural disasters will become more commonplace. As evidenced these events create considerable havoc with BC's rural economies. Capturing, analyzing and reporting data to stakeholders will be important to planning and managing future events.

Fort McMurray businesses eligible for up to \$20K for post-fire costs

Regional municipality also offering small businesses help with wages and labour

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Hi Jen,

You're the second person to raise this. I think that small business lies with Minister Ralston's balliwick, but I'll check and get back to you.

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