



REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: Community Emergency Preparedness Fund
Emergency Support Services

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From: Scott Kennedy
Fire Chief

Date: February 25, 2025

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT City Council support the grant application entitled “Community Emergency Preparedness Fund Emergency Support Services” to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)’s Community Preparedness Fund to purchase equipment, supplies and training.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to seek support from City Council to make an application to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM)’s Community Preparedness Fund for a grant to purchase equipment, supplies and training for the Emergency Support Services.

POLICY:

Not applicable.

COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The Langley City Emergency Program (“Program”) is preparing to expand its Emergency Support Services (“ESS”) volunteer pool to better serve the community during emergency events. Training and education help to ensure the safety of residents and responders during these events. The Program also plans to rebuilt current Reception Centre and Personal Disaster Assistant (“PDA”) kits to better align with Emergency Management and Climate Readiness (“EMCR”) direction of

electronic reporting and payment process. Funding will also be used for ESS Volunteer Responder identification including jackets, shirts and hats.

The funding request include the following:

Training Subjects

- Introduction to Emergency Management
- Incident Command System Level 100
- Red Cross Psychological First Aid Training (Self Care)
- Red Cross Psychological First Aid Training (Caring for Others)

Equipment

- Ipads, MIFI printers, mobile phones
- Reception Centre bins to include PPE, signage, posters stationary

Identification

- Jackets, shirts, hats, high visibility vests

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:

The application to the UBCM Community Preparedness Fund, Emergency Support Services for supplies and training is for \$40,000.00

ALTERNATIVES:

Not apply for a grant under the BC Community Emergency Preparedness Fund and look for funds in existing and future departments budgets.

Respectfully Submitted,



Scott Kennedy
Fire Chief

Attachments:

1. 2025-ESS Grant Application for City of Langley

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:

I support the recommendation.



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Chief Administrative Officer