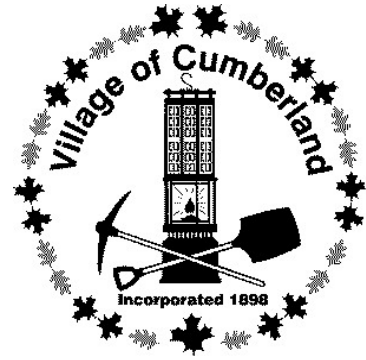


# OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



June 27, 2024

File No. 0400-60

By email: jokane@courtenay.ca

City of Courtenay  
830 Cliffe Avenue  
Courtenay, B.C. V9N 2J7

Dear Mayor Wells,

RE: Strengthening Communities' Grant

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Thank you for your letter of June 13, 2024 regarding the expiration of the Strengthening Communities Grant (SCG) and the potential impacts of the funding termination and plans for sustaining services.

Cumberland Council has approved the Village's participation and collaboration with Comox Valley local and regional government partners and discussions with the BC Government regarding an extension of the Strengthening Communities' Services Program, for support for unsheltered homeless populations and related community impacts.

The Strengthening Communities Grant has provided critical funding for this important regional service to support the Comox Valley's unsheltered and unhoused populations. I know Council members share your concerns about the potential impacts of the funding termination and related community impacts.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "V. Brown", written over a white background.

Vickey Brown  
Mayor

Cc: Town of Comox  
Comox Valley Regional District