

District of Barriere

REPORT TO COUNCIL

Date: October 16, 2023	LATE ENTRY
To: Council	From: A. Wohlgemuth, Barriere Fire Chief
Re: UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Fund	

Background: The Community Emergency Preparedness Fund (CEPF) is a suite of funding streams intended to enhance the resiliency of local governments, First Nations, and communities in responding to emergencies. Funding is provided by the Province of BC and is administered by UBCM. One of these funding streams is specific to Composite and Volunteer Fire Halls.

Discussion: Training and Equipment is needed to keep Barriere Fire Rescue within the playbook standards. Barriere Fire Rescue is eligible to apply for this funding opportunity under “*Volunteer and Composite Fire Departments Equipment & Training*” stream of the CEPF suite of funding. Rope Rescue training, Auto-extrication Training, First Aid Training, Officer Training, and some equipment. The total grant amount is for \$30,000 with the deadline for this particular funding stream being October 20, 2023.

A Council resolution is required for the application.

Recommendation: **THAT staff be directed to apply for funding in the amount of \$30,000 under the *UBCM Community Emergency Preparedness Plan (CEPF) – Volunteer and Composite Fire Departments Equipment & Training.***

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