

# Regional Community to Community Program

## 2023/24 Pilot Program Application Form

Please complete and return this form. All questions are required to be answered by typing directly in this form. If you have any questions, contact [lgps@ubcm.ca](mailto:lgps@ubcm.ca).

Funding permitting, the application deadlines for 2023/24 are:

- May 5, 2023
- September 1, 2023

*New in 2023/24: approved activities must be completed within one year from the date of grant approval*

SECTION 1: Applicant Information	AP- (for administrative use only)
Local Government or First Nation: Regional District Central Okanagan (RDCO)	<u>Complete</u> Mailing Address: 1450 K.L.O. Road, Kelowna, BC, V1W 3Z4
Contact Person*: Lisa Pastro	Position: Indigenous Advisor
Phone: 250-469-6191	E-mail: <a href="mailto:lisa.pastro@rdco.com">lisa.pastro@rdco.com</a>

\* Contact person must be an authorized representative of the applicant

<b>SECTION 2: C2C FORUMS.</b> <i>Only complete this section if you applying to plan and host a C2C forum event.</i>
<b>1. Date(s) of proposed event(s)</b> September 14, 2023
<b>2. a) Proposed participants.</b> Please attach an additional page if required. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Nation(s): Westbank First Nation Chief and Council and senior staff (see attached) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local government(s): RDCO Board and senior staff (see attached) <input type="checkbox"/> Other participants:  <b>b) Confirmation of attendance from proposed participants</b> Please <u>attach</u> written confirmation from each invited local government and/or First Nation that elected officials and/or senior staff have agreed to attend the planned forum. Confirmation can be in the form of a letter or e-mail. Written confirmations can be submitted after the application, but are required for grant approval.
<b>3. Description of proposed event(s).</b> Please provide a description of the proposed C2C event(s), including proposed format, topics, speakers, etc.  If more than one event is proposed, please include a rationale for multiple events and a description of each.

### Truth and Reconciliation Educational Sharing and Understanding Session

As we move forward on the path toward reconciliation and inclusive governance Westbank First Nation has extended an invitation to the RDCO Board to attend an informative session on Reconciliation, UNDRIP, and DRIPA. During this new age of reconciliation, WFN recognizes the importance in strengthening our government-to-government relationship and looks forward to building upon the foundational relationship we have. The RDCO and WFN are planning the event jointly with RDCO funding the event.

**4. C2C program objectives.** The objectives of the Regional C2C program are identified in Section 1 of the Program & Application Guide. Please describe how your event(s) will meet these objectives.

- Strengthening relationships and fostering future co-operative action by building stronger links between First Nation and local government elected officials and senior staff

This event will allow space for the two governments to come together for a joint learning opportunity and to understand in depth each other's governance structures. This will be foundational information as the governments explore more inclusive governance at the Regional Board (i.e. WFN to have a voting participation on the Regional Board).

- Supporting local reconciliation efforts, UNDRIP, and shared capacity building

The RDCO is developing a Reconciliation Framework and the discussion provide context and surface priority areas.

**5. Intended outcomes and deliverables.** Please describe the specific outcomes and deliverables that your forum will work towards:

- ☒ Relationship building, reconciliation and/or joint cultural safety and cultural humility training.  
Please describe: To provide a stronger understanding of UNDRIP/DRIPA from a government to government perspective as the RDCO works toward developing a Reconciliation Framework and more inclusive regional governance.
- ☐ Coordinated emergency preparation, mitigation, response and recovery, including climate change and COVID-19 response and recovery. Please describe:
- ☐ Protocol Agreement (e.g. communications, dispute resolution, planning and development approval processes). Please describe:
- ☐ Service Agreement (e.g. water, sewer, solid waste disposal or fire protection). Please describe:
- ☐ Memorandum of Understanding (e.g. protection of archaeological or environmental resources). Please describe:
- ☐ Joint project or plan (e.g. COVID-19 recovery, economic development, cultural initiative, youth engagement). Please describe:
- ☐ Other:

**6. Repeat applicants only**

a) Date of last C2C event: October 12, 2016

b) Progress: Please describe any improvements in the First Nation/local government relationship since your last C2C event and how the proposed event would build on the results of previous forums.

- Strengthened relationship and partnership between WFN and RDCO Parks department



- MOU's between WFN and Parks
- Increased use of syilx / Okanagan people for any park initiatives and guides
- Increased use of the nsyilcwen language throughout RDCO parks

**SECTION 3: AGREEMENTS AND JOINT REVIEW OF BYLAWS/POLICIES.** *Only complete this section if you applying to Develop agreements (such as protocols, MOUs, and service agreements), joint plans and/or strategies that advance First Nation/local government reconciliation and relationship building or undertake joint review of bylaws and/or policies in order to develop recommendations for amendments or new bylaws/policies that advance reconciliation.*

**7. a) Proposed participants.** Please attach an additional page if required.

- ☒ First Nation(s): Westbank First Nation Chief and Council and senior staff
- ☒ Local government(s): RDCO Board and senior staff
- ☐ Other participants:

**b) Confirmation of participation from proposed participants**

Please attach written confirmation from each invited local government and/or First Nation that elected officials and/or senior staff have agreed to participate in the proposed activities. Confirmation can be in the form of a letter or e-mail. Written confirmations can be submitted after the application, but are required for grant approval.

**8. Description of current local government/First Nation relationship.** Please describe the current relationship between the proposed participants identified above. Specifically, please provide information on any past C2C Forum events as well as information on how all parties have worked together to identify the proposed activities.

The RDCO and WFN are developing a government to government relationship and wish to build on past successes.

The last C2C forum as in 2016 where the two governments reviewed the potential to undertake a Memorandum of Understanding for the protection and conservation for cultural heritage sites within Regional Parks.

With respect to governance, WFN has an appointed Councilor who sits on the Regional Board (non-voting) and more recently on appointed Councilor who sits on the Electoral Area Services Committee (voting).

In addition the RDCO and WFN have a Master Services agreement for the delivery of local government services on WFN lands (IR#9 and IR#10). These services include participation in some regional (Regional Parks, dog control) and some sub-regional (transfer station, waste water treatment and sewer).

Lastly, the RDCO and WFN have a joint mangement agreement for Black Mountain / sntsk'il'nten Regional Park.

**9. Description of proposed activities.** Please describe the specific activities you plan to undertake. Refer to Section 6 of the *Program & Application Guide* for eligible activities.

The RDCO and WFN will jointly host a Truth and Reconciliation Educational Sharing and Understanding event which will focus on DRIPA and how the act will influence the government to government relationship between the two organizations.

This event will include a 1/2 day workshop conducted by an external consultant specializing in UNDRIP/DRIPA, self-government and local government.

Attendees will include elected officials and senior staff from both organizations. The workshop will also be video recorded so it can be shared with other staff in both organizations.

The event will be hosted on WFN lands and food and refreshments will be provided by an sylix catering company.

**10. C2C program objectives.** The objectives of the Regional C2C program are identified in Section 1 of the Program & Application Guide. Please describe how the proposed activities will meet these objectives.

- Strengthening relationships and fostering future co-operative action by building stronger links between First Nation and local government elected officials and senior staff

This event will allow space for the two governments to come together for a joint learning opportunity and to understand in depth each other's governance structures. This will be foundational information as the governments explore more inclusive governance at the Regional Board (i.e. WFN to have a voting participation on the Regional Board).

- Supporting local reconciliation efforts, UNDRIP, and shared capacity building

The RDCO is developing a Reconciliation Framework and the discussion provide context and surface priority areas.

**11. Intended outcomes and deliverables.** Please describe the specific agreements, plans, strategies, bylaws or policies that will be developed, amended or reviewed and how these outcomes will advance reconciliation and relationship building in your community:

- ☐ Development of agreements (such as protocols, MOUs, and service agreements) that advance First Nation/local government reconciliation and relationship building:
- ☒ Development of joint plans and/or strategies that advance First Nation/local government reconciliation and relationship building : Delivery of Reconciliation Framework.
- ☐ Joint review of bylaws and/or policies in order to develop recommendations for amendments or new bylaws and/or policies that advance reconciliation:
- ☐ Other:

#### SECTION 4: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**12. Additional information.** Please share any other information you think may help support your submission.

While not the primary objective, this workshop will also build understanding and define common service priorities for the renewal of the Master Services agreement between RDCO and WFN which will expire in December 2023.



## SECTION 5: REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS

Please submit the following with your application:

- ☒ Completed Application Form and all required attachments.
- ☒ Detailed budget(s).
- ☒ Confirmation of partners. Written confirmations can be submitted after the application, but are needed in order for grant approval.
- ☒ Council, Board or Band Council resolution indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management.

Submit the completed Application Form and all required attachments as an email attachment to [lgps@ubcm.ca](mailto:lgps@ubcm.ca) and note "2023/24 C2C" in the subject line. Submit your application as either a Word or PDF file(s).

## SECTION 6: SIGNATURE

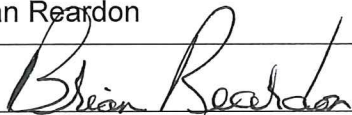
Applications are required to be signed by an authorized representative of the applicant. Please note all application materials will be shared with the Province of BC and the First Nations Summit.

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all information is accurate.

Name: Brian Reardon

Title: Chief Administrative Officer

Signature:



Date: May 3, 2023

Community to Community - Reconciliation UNDRIP Education Session Budget			
Activity	Expected Expense	Actual Expense	
UNDRIP / DRIPA Specialist Consultant (Dr. Tim Raybould)	\$4,000.00		
WFN Facility Rental	\$1,200.00		
Catering Services - Continental Breakfast and lunch	\$1,500.00		
Elder Prayer Honorariums	\$450.00		
Videographer TBC	\$3,200.00		
Preparation and printer of materials for workshop	\$500.00		
Preparation of final report and minutes	\$500.00		

Total

\$11,350.00

Additional administration, event planning, photographer and travel will be contributed in kind by the RDCO