

Community Emergency Preparedness Fund

Appendix A

Emergency Operations Centres & Training 2019 Application Form

Please complete and return the application form by <u>February 1, 2019</u>. All questions are required to be answered by typing directly in this form. If you have any questions, contact cepf@ubcm.ca or (250) 387-4470.

SECTION 1: Applicant Information	AP	(for administrative use only)				
Applicant: Township of Esquimalt	Date of Application: January 31, 2019					
Contact Person*: Sara Jansen	Position: Emergency Program Manager					
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^{*} Contact person must be an authorized representative of the applicant.

SECTION 2: For Regional Projects Only

Identification of Partnering Local Authorities. For all regional projects, please list all
of the partnering local authorities included in this application. Refer to Section 2 in the
Program & Application Guide for eligibility.

City of Victoria

SECTION 3: Project Summary

2. Name of the Project:

Township of Esquimalt, City of Victoria, and Victoria Police Department Joint Exercise

3. Project Cost & Grant Request:

Total Project Cost: \$78,000 Total Grant Request: \$50,000

Have you applied for, or received funding for, this project from other sources?

No

4. Project Summary. Provide a summary of your project in 150 words or less.

This project seeks funding to contract the design and management of two joint exercises between the Township of Esquimalt and City of the Victoria utilizing scenarios (likely evacuation and earthquake) that includes their shared police force, the Victoria Police

Department. The Township and City have both recently updated portions of their emergency plans, communications plans, and evacuation plans and have never conducted a joint exercise with each other or with the Victoria Police Department to understand response implications when both jurisdictions are impacted. Other relevant stakeholders, including the Department of National Defense, will also be invited to participate. These exercises will be followed by after action reports that will be used to follow up on any potential gaps.

5. Emergency Plan. Describe the extent to which the proposed project will <u>specifically</u> support recommendations or requirements identified in the local Emergency Plan.

This project will test communications between the three organizations, communications with the public, activation procedures, staffing plans and implications, evacuation procedures, the unified command structure, and will include interaction with ESS and amateur radio volunteers.

SECTION 4: Detailed Project Information

6. Proposed Activities. What specific activities will be undertaken as part of the proposed project? Refer to Section 4 of the Program & Application Guide for eligibility.

A contractor will be hired to consult with the three organizations to develop two different scenarios that would require Victoria Police Department response to both the Township and the City. These scenarios will most likely be based on evacuation and earthquake events as these will require the most coordination of resources.

Each exercise will take place twice to allow an opportunity for all stakeholders to attend and provide input. Public alerting systems will be tested during the exercises and public education materials will be distributed prior to exercise to help educate the public on action to take during emergencies.

Emergency Social Services teams will be activated, and the contractor will include a reception centre and group lodging aspect in the exercise design.

After action reports will be provided by the contractor to assist in future planning considerations.

Group Lodging. Describe the extent to which the proposed project will consider group lodging scenarios.

The Esquimalt and Victoria ESS teams will be consulted during the design process with the intent of a group lodging and reception centre activation exercise in conjunction with at least one of the exercises.

8. Transferability. Describe the extent to which the proposed project may offer transferable resources and supplies to other local governments and First Nations (i.e. trained staff and/or equipment that will be made available to other communities, training resources and exercise plans other communities will be invited to utilize, etc.).

All exercise design templates and tools and learnings will be made available to share with other local governments, Treaty First Nations, and the Province. The intent of the training, tools, and plans is to be flexible and transferable.

9. Partnerships. Identify any other authorities you will collaborate with on the proposed project and specifically outline how you intend to work together.

The Township, City, and Victoria Police Department have agreed to collaborate and participate with the design and exercise components of this project by contributing time and access to plans. The Township of Esquimalt will manage the funds and the City and Township will jointly organize logistics of exercises. Each municipality will offer EOC training to which Victoria Police and the other local authority will be invited to attend.

The Township and the City will collaborate on public messaging and information materials to ensure consistency and lessen confusion.

Relevant emergency stakeholders from the local authorities and within the Region will be invited to provide input and participate in training and exercises.

Describe how a collaborative approach will leverage efficiencies and be a cost effective approach to the maintaining or improving of EOC operations.

Collaborating with other local authorities on public information tools reduces costs and decreases confusion. Levering joint exercises lessens costs and increases clarity of plans and processes.

10. Capacity Building. Describe how the proposed project will increase emergency response capacity (i.e. having the physical resources and the skills to respond to emergencies) in your community.

This project is multi-faceted and will increase capacity in several ways. It:

- increases the ability of local authorities to respond by understanding plans, processes, procedures, and limitations
- increases our capacity to conduct evacuations exercising staff
- improves knowledge and confidence of EOC staff and volunteers by exercising plans
- increases ability to clearly notify the public, staff, and volunteers abut emergencies
- validates and improves evacuation plans, emergency communications plans, and public notification systems
- involving local, regional, provincial, and federal partners improves our relationships and communications with stakeholders
- provides an opportunity to educate the staff and the public on emergency actions
- **11. Evaluation.** How will the project be evaluated? How will performance measures and/or benchmarks be used to measure outcomes (i.e. tracking number of training events and exercises, external evaluators, etc.)?

The project will be evaluated by a team of observers and by debriefs with after action reporting and will also track participation numbers of EOC staff, volunteers, and other stakeholders.

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

It is important to note that Victoria West is located adjacent to Esquimalt and Victoria is reliant on bridges to access this area for response. This may be especially relevant following an earthquake and assistance between the two local authorities may need to be coordinated. Victoria Police Department also has a new regional communications centre that would benefit from the exercise.

The City of Victoria will be submitting a Council Resolution as soon as possible and each resolution is for \$25,000 for a combined value of \$50,000.

SECTION 5: Required Application Materials

Only complete applications will be considered for funding. The following separate attachments are required to be submitted as part of the application:

- Detailed budget for each component identified in the application. This must clearly identify the CEPF funding request, applicant contribution, and/or other grant funding.
- Local government Council or Board resolution, or Treaty First Nation resolution, indicating support for the current proposed activities and willingness to provide overall grant management.
- For regional projects only: Each partnering local authority must submit a local government Council or Board resolution, or Treaty First Nation resolution, indicating support for the applicant to apply for, receive and manage the grant funding on their behalf.

SECTION 6: Signature

I certify that: (1) to the best of my knowledge, all information is accurate and (2) the area covered by the proposed project is within our local authority's jurisdiction (or appropriate approvals are in place).

Name: Sara Jansen

Title: Emergency Program Manager

Date: January 31, 2019

An electronic or original signature is required.

Submit applications to Local Government Program Services, Union of BC Municipalities

E-mail: cepf@ubcm.ca

Mail: 525 Government Street, Victoria, BC, V8V 0A8

Combined Esquimalt - Victoria EOC grant

	Item	Description	Qty	Uni	it Cost	Total		Total	
Training	In house training	ECC training refresher for staff	1	\$ 2,500 \$ 10,000		Grant			
	In house training	EOC training refresher for staff	4	\$	2,500	Φ	10,000		
				Sul	btotal	\$	10,000		
Exercises									NO SHOP
		Design of 2 exercise scenarios and consulation with	-						
	Exercise Design	stakeholders	2	\$	5,000			\$	10,000
	Delivery and facilitation	Delivery, coordination, and faciliation of 2 exercises	2	\$	5,000			\$	10,000
	Public Alerting	Testing costs and public education	2	\$	5,000			\$	10,000
	EOC Exercise Logistics	Catering and room rentals	2	\$	3,500			\$	7,000
	ESS Exercise Logistics	Catering and room rentals	2	S	1,500			\$	3,000
	Staff time	Participation and organization (estimate)	60	S	300	\$	18,000		
		Review plans, processes, and procedures to provide							
	After Action Reports	recommendations	2	S	5,000			S	10,000
2				Subtotal				\$50.000	
				Total \$28,0		\$28,000		\$50,000	
				Total Project cost:				\$78,000	
				Grant funding request				\$50,000	