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CITY OF CAMPBELL RIVER LAUNCHES NEW CR GRANT ASSIST PROGRAM FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES Need help applying for federal or provincial government business grants?

Campbell River businesses have a new resource to help them apply for grant funding.

The City of Campbell River has launched CR Grant Assist, a new Economic Development program to support the local business community. Participants will have the opportunity to consult with a grant writer, who will provide each participant with up to five hours of grant-writing services, at no cost.

CR Grant Assist arrives at a time when many businesses are seeking financial support to alleviate the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“The federal and provincial governments have created grants to help businesses navigate the economic challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic. One of the top reasons why businesses don’t access grants is that they don’t have the capacity to prepare the applications. CR Grant Assist will help provide that capacity for Campbell River businesses,” says Mayor Andy Adams.

The grant writer will work with participants to review their eligibility for grants of interest and help them create compelling proposals.

“Grants are an important source of funding for many businesses, particularly in the current economic climate,” says Rose Klukas, economic development officer at the City. *“We heard from local businesses that they could benefit from having someone guide them through the application process. This inspired us to create CR Grant Assist, which is designed to be a bridge connecting interested businesses with a professional grant writer.”*

CR Grant Assist is now accepting applications from Campbell River businesses, business groups, innovators and entrepreneurs. Apply online at: <https://www.techatchery.ca/grant-assist-form>. This is an ongoing program, and there is currently no deadline to apply.

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We are gradually – carefully – resuming in-person services and limited public access to City facilities. For the most recent information on City services, please see our website (campbellriver.ca). Reach us with general inquiries by email (info@campbellriver.ca) or telephone **250-286-5700**.