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CRD offers business façade improvement grants

Cariboo Chilcotin, B.C. – Funding is available again in the Cariboo Regional District (CRD) for business and property owners to improve their commercial building frontages. The 2018 Business Façade Improvement Program is open to all commercial businesses located within the rural areas of the Regional District.

Eligible businesses can receive a 50 per cent reimbursement to a maximum of \$5,000 for exterior renovations and improvements such as façades, signage, murals, architectural features, siding, lighting and awnings. Funding will be committed on a first-come, first-serve basis (subject to project eligibility and availability of funds).

The 2018 Business Façade Improvement Program is made possible through a \$20,000 grant from the Northern Development Initiative Trust.

In 2017, the CRD delivered the program in Kersley, Chilanko Forks, Forest Grove, Big Lake Ranch and Sugar Cane (Williams Lake). Program applicants completed five projects representing a total investment of \$19,388 in business façade improvements.

Business Façade Improvement Program guidelines and application forms are available online at cariboord.ca under Community Economic Development or at the CRD offices in Quesnel, Williams Lake and 100 Mile House.

The CRD program excludes businesses within municipal boundaries as they can apply with their local municipality. The City of Quesnel, City of Williams Lake, District of 100 Mile House and District of Wells are offering the program in 2018.

For more information about Northern Development Initiative Trust's funding programs and success stories, visit northerndevelopment.bc.ca.

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