



SQUAMISH NATION EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO COVID-19

Our economic plans for supporting Squamish Members



Keeping Squamish Nation Members safe, healthy, and supported is the highest priority for Council and administrative leadership in this time of crisis.

The Squamish Nation has received \$1.3 million in federal funding, which Council has matched with a \$1.3 million contribution from own-source revenue. Below is an overview of our economic response plans.

INDIGENOUS SERVICES CANADA FUNDING: \$1.3 MILLION

The Community Member Relief Plan will provide support to members during the COVID-19 crisis to ensure the health, safety, security and economic well-being of Sk̓w̓x̓ wú7mesh people and the effective functioning of the Squamish Nation government.

Squamish Nation Council approved the Community Relief Program Plan on April 23rd. The total cost of the Plan is **\$1,292,212**, and includes the following:



Elder support: **\$255,475**

Includes grocery shopping program, tax preparation, meal programs, garden boxes, and more for Elders aged 60+.



Food insecurity: **\$415,000**

Includes soup kitchen/food bank, grocery distribution, community gardens, and farming/greenhouses.



Mental health assistance & emergency response service (homelessness): **\$60,000**

Includes temporary housing for homeless Nation members.



Financial assistance for those out of work: **\$247,647**

Includes Band Member Emergency, emergency shelter, community delivery of supplies, job mentorship, and more.



Educational & other support for children: **\$63,495**

Includes electronic support for K-12 students, learning and activity kits, protective gear, one-on-one support, tutoring program, and more.



Emergency management: **\$163,395**

Includes contracted Guardians to educate community about physical distancing and remind non-residents of restrictions on visitors, as well as funding to set up an Emergency Operations Centre and training staff on emergency management practices.

OWN-SOURCE REVENUE CONTRIBUTION: \$1.3 MILLION

Squamish Nation Council recognizes the need to take extraordinary steps to assist its membership, on and off-reserve, during the COVID-19 pandemic. On April 27th, Council approved sending \$1.3 million in Emergency Relief Funds, distributed to each Squamish Nation Member. We are also pleased to share that direct deposit will now be available to US-based members.

\$315 per Squamish Nation Member

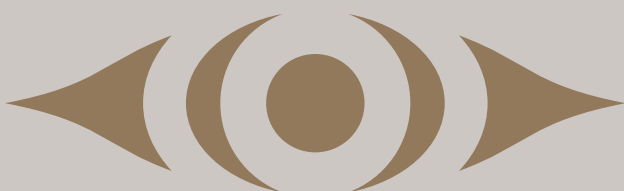
*Disbursement taking place June 9th-11th, 2020.
Your patience is appreciated as we prepare this disbursement to over 4,000 members.*



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Our people have asked for detailed reporting on funds received or spent in addressing COVID-19. Below are additional COVID-19 crisis response-related expenditures incurred by the Nation up until April 24th. Some of these expenditures may be reimbursable under the EMBC (Emergency Management BC) funding.



Squamish Nation COVID-19 Crisis Response Expenditure Tracking

As of April 24, 2020

Department	Category	External Funding	OSR	Total (\$)
Community Operations	Personal protective equipment		16,046	16,046
Community Operations	Cleaning products/hand sanitizer		17,592	17,592
Health & Wellness	Medical supplies	732		732
Council - Communications	Printing costs for on-reserve signage		4,080	4,080
Council - Communications	Community needs assessment survey		102	102
Council - Communications	Printing costs for on-reserve news delivery		874	874
Education, Employment & Training	Emergency travel costs for students		1,590	1,590
Education, Employment & Training	Computer equipment for staff	17,121		17,121
Member Services	Food		25,588	25,588
Member Services	Utilities		10,358	10,358
Member Services	Rent		34,982	34,982
Member Services	Elder support		1,500	1,500
Member Services	Misc - food, cleaning supplies, truck rental		35,355	35,355
Child and Family Services	Food sharing	49,415		49,415
Child and Family Services	Children-in-care - food sharing	2,422		2,422
Child and Family Services	Operations	17,047		17,047
Child and Family Services	Family programs	7,467		7,467
Child and Family Services	Youth services	1,546		1,546
Total		95,750	148,067	243,816

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