

# Capital Regional District Board Priorities Overview

## transportation

Residents have access to convenient, green and affordable multi-modal transportation systems that enhance livability.

## housing

Residents have access to affordable housing that enhances livability.

## First Nations

Strong relationships with First Nations based on trust and mutual respect, partnerships and working together on shared goals.

## climate action & environment

Reduced greenhouse gas emissions, triple-bottom line solutions and progress on adaptation.

## governance

Effective advocacy, coordinated and collaborative governance, and organizational performance and service delivery.

### recommended Board Strategic Priorities

*criteria: of strategic importance, sustains/accelerates existing plans and/or is over-and-above existing mandate (\* /bold)*

1a-1 Improve regional connectivity and safety across transportation modes

1a-2 Support investments, expansion and equitable access to active transportation

**1b Present options for changes in governance for transportation in the region, including the Electoral Areas \***

**2a Increase supply of affordable, inclusive and adequate housing in the region \***

3a Develop mechanisms to hear more from First Nations' governments as to how they would like the CRD to approach reconciliation

**3b Collaborate with First Nations to build and strengthen new processes for respectful, reciprocal government-to-government decision-making and service delivery that uplift Indigenous self-determination \***

3c Invite, respect and incorporate Indigenous leadership and traditional knowledge to enhance initiatives and strategies that support other priorities in the plan

3d Support shared prosperity by enhancing economic opportunities, in partnership with First Nations

4a Maximize solid waste diversion and resource recovery from waste materials

**4b-1 Explore options for a regional approach to biodiversity and the protection of ecological assets \***

4c Increase resilience, community and adaptation planning to address climate related risks and disasters

4d Support energy efficient and low carbon buildings across the region

5a Influence regional issues and advocate in a consistent, focused way that aligns with the board strategic priorities

**5b Strengthen board decision-making frameworks to include First Nations reconciliation, equity, diversity and inclusion, and climate action lenses \***

5c Develop understanding of, and accountability for, equity, diversity and inclusion across CRD decision-making bodies

5d Foster greater civic participation among diverse community members

**5e Explore changes to status quo growth management approaches and identify implementation actions appropriate for local, regional and provincial implementation \***

### better suited to the CRD Corporate Plan

*criteria: already planned or being progressed, staff driven work, and/or no new policy direction needed*

1c Shift travel behaviour through education, encouragement, and information

2b Better regional housing data to support evidence-based decision making

4b-2 Enhance the protection of biodiversity, ecological integrity and natural assets in Regional Parks

4e Promote community capacity building on climate action

4f Expand access to green space and outdoor recreation

4g Improve food security

5f Improve and streamline communications and public engagement to foster trust and understanding

5g-1 Achieve sustainable budgets through innovation and streamlining while recognizing the need for infrastructure investments and accountability to taxpayers

5h Scale up regional participation in the CRD Arts & Culture Support Service

5i Scale up regional support for performing art facilities within the region

### integrated with 5a (list of advocacy topics for consideration)

- 5g-2 Advocate for and collaborate with regional partners to create a resilient economy
- 5k Deliver regional safety coordination among youth, police, housing and health

### this priority is best advanced through existing services/other priorities (e.g. 4b-1)

- 5j Build specific services for childcare, invasive species, regional collaboration