



BYLAW NO. 652

A BYLAW TO ESTABLISH A SERVICE FOR SUPPORTING YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS WITHIN ELECTORAL AREA B (CORTES ISLAND)

WHEREAS the Regional District may, pursuant to the *Local Government Act*, operate any service that it considers necessary or desirable for all or part of the Regional District;

AND WHEREAS the Regional Board wishes to establish a service to provide financial assistance for programs and initiatives that serve the interests of youth within Electoral Area B (Cortes Island);

AND WHEREAS the assent of the electors has been obtained in accordance with Division 4 of Part 10 of the *Local Government Act*;

NOW THEREFORE the Board of Directors of the Strathcona Regional District, in open meeting assembled, enacts as follows:

Service Established

1. There is hereby established a service to be known as the youth support service.

Definitions

2. In this bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

“youth” means a person who is a resident of Cortes Island and less than 24 years of age.

“organization” means a society, institute, foundation or other similar entity that is incorporated under the laws of British Columbia.

Service Described

3. The service hereby established includes the provision of financial support to organizations that provide services or programs for youths including:
 - a) after-school and educational programming;
 - b) recreation, arts, and cultural activities;
 - c) leadership and mentorship opportunities;
 - d) food security initiatives;
 - e) transportation and accessibility supports;
 - f) wellness, social connection, and mental health supports;
 - g) childcare and family supports;

- h) environmental and outdoor education;
- i) volunteer and community engagement initiatives for youth;
- j) youth outreach and inclusion initiatives;
- k) intergenerational programming;
- l) Indigenous cultural programming and learning opportunities;
- m) staffing, coordination, administration, training, and operational capacity related to youth wellbeing;
- n) capacity building within organizations that support, engage or provide services benefiting youth and families;
- o) collaborative community initiatives, pilot projects and emerging community needs related to youth well-being.

Participating Area

4. The participating area for the service is Electoral Area B (Cortes Island).

Service Area Boundaries

5. The boundaries of the service area include the entirety of Electoral Area B (Cortes Island).

Cost Recovery

6. The annual cost of the service shall be recovered by one or more of the following methods:
- (a) property value taxes imposed in accordance with Division 2 of Part 11 of the *Local Government Act*;
 - (b) revenues received by way of agreement, enterprise, gift, grant or otherwise;
 - (c) revenues raised by other means authorized by the *Local Government Act* or another Act.

Annual Limit on Requisition

7. The maximum amount that may be requisitioned annually for the service is the equivalent of \$0.054 per 1,000 of the net taxable value of land and improvements in the service area.

Citation

8. This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as Bylaw No. 652, being Youth Support Service Establishing Bylaw 2026.

READ A FIRST TIME ON THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026

READ A SECOND TIME ON THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026

READ A THIRD TIME ON THE 24TH DAY OF JUNE, 2026

APPROVED BY THE INSPECTOR OF MUNICIPALITIES ON THE DAY OF , 2026

APPROVAL OF THE ELECTORS RECEIVED ON THE DAY OF , 2026

RECONSIDERED, FINALLY PASSED AND ADOPTED ON THE DAY OF , 2026

Chair

Corporate Officer