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COVID-19 Update # 12

BC Restart Plan

On May 6, 2020 the Provincial Government announced the BC Restart Plan. This plan is comprised of four phases which provide next steps to move BC through the COVID-19 pandemic. We are currently in Phase 1 and expected to enter into Phase 2 in mid May. **Non-essential travel is not recommended during Phase 1 or 2.** Phase 3 is expected to start in June provided transmission rates remain low or decline. Hotels and resorts may be permitted to reopen during Phase 3. Further details of the plan can be found by visiting the <u>BC Restart Plan</u> online.

VIRL Goes Online

Vancouver Island Regional Library (VIRL) has a vast selection of online materials. VIRL is now providing <u>online registration</u> for new cardholders and eResources for the whole family. Read books and newspapers, listen to music, watch movies, or even learn to speak another language through VIRL's <u>eResources</u>.

Recreation Online

Recreation Recreated is in full swing with new topics and challenges being shared every week. The Recreation Department recently teamed up with the Ucluelet Local Food Society and released a Gardening for Beginners Newsletter featuring tips and tricks for new gardeners and container gardening for those who have minimal access to land. Watch for resources on managing stress and a guide on spring foraging on the West Coast. If you haven't already, we encourage you to like our new Facebook and Instagram pages to stay connected!

Neighbourhood Grants & Supporting Local Charities during COVID-19

The Clayoquot Biosphere Trust launched their COVID-19 Responsive Neighbourhood Small Grants program on April 15. Neighbourhood Small Grants provide up to \$500 for a community project or events. Find out more about this exciting opportunity! For more information about how you can support local charities check out CBT's Giving Catalogue of local charities operating during COVID-19

We encourage you to stay up to date by <u>signing up for the District's UkeeMail</u> and by regularly visiting these Federal and Provincial links:

Government of Canada - Coronavirus (COVID-19) Outbreak Update
Government of British Columbia COVID-19 Provincial Support and Information
BC Centre for Disease Control's COVID-19 Data

Thank you Ucluetians. Stay strong, be safe and be kind.

For more information please visit ucluelet.ca or contact the District of Ucluelet at 250-726-7744.