

How to Join a Local Emergency Management Team



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Rural Resiliency Initiative

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Local governments are legally mandated by the Province to have emergency management programs. They are often viewed as responsible for most emergency planning and preparedness in communities. You can make a request for your CF to have representation on your local Emergency Planning Committee, Emergency Management Committee, or Emergency Management Working Groups. Contact RRI to “speak their language” to position your CF to support your region’s emergency management mandate and legal obligations.

The Elevator Pitch

Community Futures is uniquely positioned to support and advocate for businesses. We are subject matter experts, information conduits, and a trusted, established connection to the business sector. As a partner to governments, we can help create a prepared, robust local economy that is resilient in the face of ongoing change.

Ideas for What CFs Could Offer

- Quick access to capital, i.e. loans
- Direct support to businesses, governments and Indigenous-governing bodies
- Business Directories
- Communication channels to/from businesses
- Business Continuity Planning knowledge and guidance for businesses
- Business emergency readiness knowledge
- Collection of business data
- Creation and advising re. Economic Resilience Plans and Reports
- Trust and recognition with businesses, many of whom are CF clients
- Local “boots on the ground” at all stages of economic emergency management
- Development of Economic Impact Assessments to inform Needs Assessments (templates from RRI available)
- Disbursing government funds to businesses and organizations

- ✓ Ensure you have each other’s most up-to-date contact information
- ✓ Offer to present or co-present sessions for businesses:
E.g. Business Continuity Planning, Emergency Readiness for Businesses, and Understanding Insurance

