

Services to Victims of Crime Project Update

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Dear Service Provider,

As you know, earlier this month we completed a series of eight regional consultation meetings across the province as part of Phase 2 of the Services to Victims of Crime Initiative. These sessions provided an important opportunity to engage and consult directly with representative contracted service providers. We have also had the opportunity to meet with Provincial Associations (Ending Violence Association of BC, BC Society of Transition Houses and Police Victim Services Association of BC) as well as the RCMP "E" Division's Crime Prevention Support Section.

I am pleased to provide you with the attached report which provides a detailed summary of the information obtained through the consultation sessions along with information about the next steps of this initiative. In addition, the Questions and Answers posted on our website have also been updated to include some of the questions we heard throughout Phase 2. Both the report and updated Questions and Answers document can be found on our website at www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/victimservices/service-provider.

Phase 3 of this initiative involves the development of a draft procurement plan that will incorporate feedback heard during the previous phases of consultation and will include the following:

- Proposed program structure (if different from current)
- Proposed procurement timeframes and activities
- Draft RFP documents
- Draft funding formula

We expect to have the draft procurement plan developed and distributed for comment in late March/early April 2015. This will provide another opportunity for service providers to give further feedback. Input and feedback received will be considered in finalizing the procurement plan in the Summer of 2015.

We remain committed to providing you with regular updates and information about this initiative. If you have any questions, please contact your Program Manager or Jamie Lipp, Director of Community Programs. Jamie can be reached by e-mail at jamie.lipp@gov.bc.ca or by phone at 604 660-1872.

Once again, I look forward to continuing to work with you on this initiative. Warm wishes for a happy holiday season from all of us at the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Branch.

Sincerely,



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