2020

COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONAL PLAN



COUNTY OF ST. PAUL

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ACTION PLAN - 2020

Strategy	Action
Strategy 1.1 Continue to improve, review and update communications methods to create a user-friendly digital experience for everyone.	 Create and sustain social media accounts - Facebook and consider feasibility of other social media. Create guidelines for the use of social media as a feedback tool.
Strategy 1.2 Improve how we disseminate information through communication.	 Develop Best Practices for internal and external communication. Proactively plan information the County will communicate throughout the year via radio and local newspapers, annual calendar, newsletters, brochures, and publications. Develop a Branding Standards Guide for internal and external use. Develop targeted communication plans for Waste Management, ASB (currently in draft), Public Works, and Community Services. Develop a communication plan for over-arching County communication (including messaging).
Strategy 1.3 Improve participatory methods of communication.	 Increase participation at public events and AGM through strategic communication planning.
Strategy 1.4 Proactively plan ahead to improve County communications with the public.	 Generate an annual County calendar that promotes all services provided, including relevant information. Continue to expand/ develop annual County activities scan to ensure programs/ activities are promoted.

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Strategy 1.5 Increase number of people attending events, online followers, and people we engage with in general.	 Communicate through all available channels of communication to ensure public awareness of programming and events.
Strategy 1.6 Maintain policies related to communication methods.	 Review the social media policy if new social media tools are implemented. Develop a communication plan for the Regional Emergency Management Plan. Create privacy policies related to online terms of use.

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Strategy 1.7 Ensure all County departments are supported with quality, timely and effective Communication.	 Increase public awareness and education of County Community Services, Agriculture Services (including LARA workshops), Fire Smart program and Fire Prevention Week, winter maintenance and others. Promote events related to FCSS, Parks and Waste Management. Promote use of online campground booking system. Develop 2021 County Calendar with public participation i.e. competition for community photos that would be used in calendar. Add information about community services and public works to website community events calendar, Work with ASB and Public Works on bi-annual newsletters. Communicate progress on asset management plans to Council and public. Proactively provide advanced notice of road work to residents. Create educational videos about Public Works and Community Services.