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

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

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Strategy 1.7 Ensure all County departments are supported with quality, timely and effective Communication.	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>Promote events related to FCSS, Parks and Waste Management.</li> <li>Promote use of online campground booking system.</li> <li>Develop 2021 County Calendar with public participation i.e. competition for community photos that would be used in calendar.</li> <li>Add information about community services and public works to website community events calendar,</li> <li>Work with ASB and Public Works on bi-annual newsletters.</li> <li>Communicate progress on asset management plans to Council and public.</li> <li>Proactively provide advanced notice of road work to residents.</li> <li>Create educational videos about Public Works and Community Services.</li> </ul>