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SPARC BC is excited to invite you to join our webinars to learn more about the Local Community Accessibility Grant Program!

On May 29th, the second day of National Accessibility Week, the Accessibility Directorate with the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction (MSDPR) announced that \$5 million is allocated for local and regional governments to aid in implementing accessibility initiatives.

This initiative provides one-time funding for local governments, of up to \$25,000, to remove barriers for persons with disabilities by implementing one of the initiatives identified in their Accessibility Plans, or by their Accessibility Committees or feedback mechanisms.

In our webinar we will discuss:

1. Eligible projects for the \$25K grant,
2. The two Streams local or regional governments can apply for, Your responsibilities when receiving the grant,
3. The application process and timing,

Followed by a question and answer.

Please note, our webinars will feature ASL interpretation as well as CART captioning.

Between June and July, 2023 we will be doing a series of information sessions over zoom every Tuesday from 10-11:30am. To sign up for one of the sessions please click this link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_cqUuSnHnRg-sREN6mfAaTQ#/registration

You can also learn more by reading our Program Overview which you can find on our website through this link:

<https://www.sparc.bc.ca/partnerships/local-community-accessibility-grant-program/>

If you have any questions, please reach out to accessibility@sparc.bc.ca or you can call Lily, the Accessibility Initiatives Manager, directly on 604-718-7748.

We're excited to work with you to make your community more accessible!

Warm regards,

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SPARC BC acknowledges that our office is located on the ancestral and unceded homelands of the hən̓q̓əmi̓nəm̓ and Skwxwú7mesh speaking peoples. They have been custodians of this land for thousands of years and we would like to pay our respect to the Elders and knowledge keepers both past and present. We are grateful for the opportunity to be on this shared territory.