Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act [File #: CSSD-14-2018]

On May 14, 2018, the Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development (CSSD) received your request for access to the following information:

“All correspondence dated between January 2017 and May 2018 between departments and outside agencies related to the multi year funding announcement to 22 community organizations announced on April 25, 2018.”

As per our telephone conversation on May 14, 2018, you provided the following clarification regarding your request and agreed to include the following in CSSD’s response:

- Provide correspondence only within this Department (CSSD).
- “Outside agencies” refers to the twenty-two (22) community groups chosen by CSSD to receive multi-year funding.

I am pleased to inform you that a decision has been made by the Deputy Minister for Children, Seniors and Social Development to provide access to some of the requested information.

As required by 8(2) of the Act, we have severed information that is unable to be disclosed using Section 40(1) of ATIPPA, 2015. The Department has provided you with as much information as possible. In accordance with your request for a copy of the records, the appropriate copies have been enclosed.

Please be advised that you may appeal this decision and ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the decision to provide partial access to the requested information, as set out in section 42 of the Act (a copy of this section of the Act has been enclosed for your reference). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business
days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner. Your appeal should identify your concerns with the request and why you are submitting the appeal.

The appeal may be addressed to the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Canada Drive
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John’s, NL A1B 3V8

Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the Act (a copy of this section of the Act has been enclosed for your reference).

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72-hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at (709) 729-2646 or by e-mail at andrealawlor@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

Andrea Lawlor, B.A., B.S.W. (Hons), R.S.W
Program and Policy Development Specialist/ATIPP Coordinator (Backup)
Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development
6th Floor, West Block, Confederation Building
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Enclosures
Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act

Disclosure harmful to personal privacy

40. (1) The head of a public body shall refuse to disclose personal information to an applicant where the disclosure would be an unreasonable invasion of a third party's personal privacy.

Access or correction complaint

42. (1) A person who makes a request under this Act for access to a record or for correction of personal information may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting a decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request.

(2) A complaint under subsection (1) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days

(a) after the applicant is notified of the decision of the head of the public body, or the date of the act or failure to act; or

(b) after the date the head of the public body is considered to have refused the request under subsection 16 (2).

(3) A third party informed under section 19 of a decision of the head of a public body to grant access to a record or part of a record in response to a request may file a complaint with the commissioner respecting that decision.

(4) A complaint under subsection (3) shall be filed in writing not later than 15 business days after the third party is informed of the decision of the head of the public body.

(5) The commissioner may allow a longer time period for the filing of a complaint under this section.

(6) A person or third party who has appealed directly to the Trial Division under subsection 52 (1) or 53 (1) shall not file a complaint with the commissioner.

(7) The commissioner shall refuse to investigate a complaint where an appeal has been commenced in the Trial Division.

(8) A complaint shall not be filed under this section with respect to

(a) a request that is disregarded under section 21;

(b) a decision respecting an extension of time under section 23;

(c) a variation of a procedure under section 24; or

(d) an estimate of costs or a decision not to waive a cost under section 26.

(9) The commissioner shall provide a copy of the complaint to the head of the public body concerned.

2015 cA-1.2 s42
Direct appeal to Trial Division by an applicant

52. (1) Where an applicant has made a request to a public body for access to a record or correction of personal information and has not filed a complaint with the commissioner under section 42, the applicant may appeal the decision, act or failure to act of the head of the public body that relates to the request directly to the Trial Division.

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(4) An appeal shall be commenced under subsection (3) not later than 15 business days after the applicant is notified of the commissioner’s refusal under subsection 45 (2).

2015 cA-1.2 s52
Good morning Renee,

Our President would be the most likely person who would attend. Odeille may be able to make it.

We are very excited to be part of this new process and want to thank the Women's Policy Office for their continued support of our organization.

If the teleconference takes place our administrative assistant financial and our Executive Director would be able to take part.

If the teleconference is not taking place, please let us know and we may be able to send someone to represent Odeille.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 643-1290

Regards
Linda Wells

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From: Lisa Browne [mailto:L.Browne@stellascircle.ca]
Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 1:30 PM
To: Ryan, Renee C. <reneecryan@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Michelle Dyke <M.Dyke@stellascircle.ca>; Rob McLennan <R.McLennan@stellascircle.ca>
Subject: RE: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Thanks Renee, Michelle Dyke and Rob McLennan will be attending from Stella's Circle. Unfortunately, I will be out of town.

Lisa

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Lisa Browne, MBA
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Hi Paula,

I'm sorry but funding is not being provided for this event as it is quite brief. Teleconference / Skype details will be provide. Please advise which works best for you.

Renee

From: CB Status of Women Council [mailto:cbwomenscentre@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 10:53 AM
To: Hunt, Deanne <dhrunt@gov.nl.ca>; Colman-Sadd, Vanessa <VanessaColmanSadd@gov.nl.ca>
Cc: Ballard, Donna M <DBallard@gov.nl.ca>

Subject: Re: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Good morning,

I am wondering if there is any funding for agencies to travel and attend this meeting.

Paula

Paula Sheppard Thibeau
Executive Director
Corner Brook Status of Women Council
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F 709-639-1093
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Good morning,

I would prefer Skype.

Thank you.

Janice

On 19 April 2018 at 19:31, Ryan, Renee C. <reneecryan@gov.nl.ca> wrote:

Yes, which is your preference?

renee

From: BSG Status of Women Council [mailto:executivedirector.bsgswc@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2018 11:34 AM
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Subject: Re: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Good morning,

I will be attending the NLHFN Conference in Gander so I will be unable to attend in person. May I join via Skype or teleconference.

Thank you,

Janice Kennedy

Executive Director
Bay St. George Status of Women Council

Tel: 709.643.4444
Fax: 709.643.4707

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Hi Renee,

I received this e-mail from Sheldon Pollett. I am assuming that this is in relation to the April 24th Presentation on Multi-Year Funding?

Thanks,

Deanne

Deanne Hunt  
Administrative Assistant  
Office of the Deputy Minister  
Department of Children, Seniors and Social Development  
6th Floor, Confederation Building, West Block  
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St. John's, NL  
A1B 4J6  
Tel: (709) 729-0958  
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E-Mail: dhunt@gov.nl.ca

Hi Deane,

I will be out of the province on that day. Jill Doyle, Paula Soper, and Wendy Daniels will attend the single window funding briefing session for Choices for Youth.

Sheldon

Sheldon Pollett  
Executive Director  
P: 709-734-0446  C: 709-728-3128  
www.choicesforyouth.ca 1 @xpollett
Thanks Judy.

From: Judy O'Keefe [mailto:Judy.OKeefe@easternhealth.ca]
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2018 12:03 PM
To: Deborah Wearm <Deborah.Wearm@cnib.ca>; Ryan, Renee C. <reneecryan@gov.nl.ca>
Subject: RE: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Renee, just letting you know that myself and Deborah have chatted. Thanks for connecting us. Judy

Judy O’Keefe, MSW, RSW, CHE
Vice President, Clinical Services
Eastern Health
Health Sciences Complex - General Hospital
300 Prince Philip Drive, St. John's, NL, Canada, A1B 3V6
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Cc: Judy O'Keefe <Judy.OKeefe@easternhealth.ca>
Subject: RE: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Thanks, Renee.

Hi Judy, would you be able to give me a call to discuss?

Kind regards,
Deborah
(cell) 728-5742

From: Ryan, Renee C. <reneecryan@gov.nl.ca>
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2018 11:11 AM
To: Deborah Wearm <Deborah.Wearm@cnib.ca>
Cc: Judy O'Keefe <Judy.OKeefe@easternhealth.ca>
Subject: Re: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Deborah, please connect with Judy O'Keefe of Eastern Health...

Renee.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Bell network:

From: Deborah Wearm
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2018 10:06 AM
To: Ryan, Renee C.
Subject: RE: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding
Hi Renee,
Thanks for your email. I do have a question about this meeting as it relates to the current five-year funding agreement we have with Eastern Health. Can you assist me, or should I reach out to Donna directly?

Thanks,
Deborah

Deborah Wearn
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Hi Paula,

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Thanks,
Renee

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Subject: Re: Presentation on Multi-Year Funding

Good Afternoon:

I was unfortunately unable to attend the session on April 24. I am inquiring to see if there is an alternate way to access the information (powerpoint, webinar, etc).

Thanks,

Paula

Paula Corcoran-Jacobs
Provincial Executive Director
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Grants to Community Organizations

Phase 1
One-Window, Multi-Year Community Grants

- Our Government will implement a strategic one-window, multi-year approach to community grant funding. This will ensure an efficient and consistent approach to administration, accountability and evaluation. Financial systems and legislative frameworks will be modified as required to facilitate the development of multi-year funding arrangements with community organizations where appropriate.
Proposal

- **Multi-Year**: A pilot project to deliver funding for three years to a select group of community-based organizations.
- **One-Window**: Approved organizations will present their full three-year funding request to a primary department.
- **Accountability and Evaluation**: Funding contracts will include organizational accountability and evaluation requirements that are appropriate but not burdensome. An evaluation framework will be developed to evaluate the outcomes of the pilot.
Organizational Eligibility Criteria

- Has a clear social mandate and client-service focus that benefits individuals in need.
- Delivers outcome-focused programming that benefits Newfoundlander and Labradorians.
- Demonstrates a strong and committed board of directors with proven fiscal responsibility and effective management.
- Demonstrated record of financial and program delivery effectiveness.
Organizational Benefits

• Financial stability to allow:
  • a focus on the delivery of services and programs
  • longer-term decisions around staffing

• Interaction with one lead department for enhanced efficiency through:
  • one proposal
  • one contract
  • one set of reporting requirements
Community Based Organizations

Aboriginal Sport and Recreation Circle
AIDS Committee of NL
Association of New Canadians
Bay St. George Status of Women Association
Canadian Mental Health Association
CNIB
Coalition of Persons with Disabilities
Community Sector Council
Corner Brook Status of Women Council
Choices for Youth
CHANNEL

Gateway Status of Women Council
Gander Status of Women Council
Kids Eat Smart
Labrador West Status of Women Council
Mokami Status of Women Council
Newfoundland and Labrador Aboriginal Women’s Association
Seniors NL
Status of Women – Central Inc.
Stella’s Circle Community Services
St. John’s Status of Women Council
Vera Perlin Society Inc.
Contract Overview

- Standard contribution agreement
- Allows flexibility for:
  - Specific organizational mandates
  - Multiple funding sources and payment schedules
  - Organizational capacity in progress reporting and evaluation
Next Steps

CBOs meet with lead department

3-year contracts negotiated by June 30, 2018

Subsequent payments provided by one department

Evaluation of Phase 1