



District of Lantzville

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District of Lantzville Home Owner Grant Refund Program

Lantzville, BC – The District of Lantzville has undergone a Finance Systems Review and has determined that the Home Owner Grant was incorrectly applied on certain properties during the period 2003-2016, and therefore certain home owners did not receive the full home owner grant that they were eligible for.

At the May 8, 2017 Council meeting, Council approved the Home Owner Grant Refund Program and approved refunds of \$10,103.31, plus penalties and interest, payable to those home owners impacted. Prior to proceeding with the refund program, the District requested permission from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development; a requirement under section 781 of the *Local Government Act*. The Ministry has now granted the District of Lantzville permission to proceed with the Home Owner Grant Refund Program.

The District will notify homeowners currently residing in the eligible residences by mail with instructions on how to apply for a refund. Those homeowners who no longer reside at the eligible residences should contact the District office requesting a refund package or obtain one through the District's website. A [list of impacted properties](#), that did not receive the full grant for one or more years between 2003 and 2016, can be found on the District's website, or contact the District Office.

At the May 8th Council meeting, Council also approved the refund of Parcel Taxes that were incorrectly levied on certain manufactured homes. The District has requested permission to proceed with the Parcel Tax Refund Program from the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development; a requirement under section 781 of the *Local Government Act*. The District anticipates a response shortly and once the District receives approval, the Parcel Tax refund process will proceed.

Further information is available on the District of Lantzville [website](#) or by phoning the District Office.

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