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TO: Local Government Mayors, Chairs, and Administrators
BC First Nations Chiefs and Administrators

FROM: Local Government Program Services, UBCM and First Nations Summit

RE: **2010/11 (Summer) Regional Community to Community Forum Program**

The Union of BC Municipalities and First Nations Summit are pleased to announce a second call for applications for the 2010/11 Regional Community to Community (C2C) Forum program.

This is an exciting opportunity to build relationships between local governments and neighbouring First Nations and we invite you to respond by organizing an event in your area.

To qualify for funding, a C2C Forum must include dialogue between neighbouring First Nation and local government elected officials and must work toward one or more of the objectives:

- Educating and informing the participating governments about current issues in relationships between the First Nations and local governments.
- Providing a forum for dialogue on a specific concern or topical issue.
- Strengthening relationships and fostering future co-operative action by building stronger links between First Nation and local government elected officials and staff.
- Determining opportunities for future collaboration and joint action.

The Program & Application Guide and Application Form will be available on on-line shortly. Please visit the Funding Programs section at www.ubcm.ca or www.fns.bc.ca.

The application deadline is Friday, September 17, 2010 for events up to March 31, 2011.

For more information or to request an application package, please contact Local Government Program Services at (250) 356-5134 or lgps@ubcm.ca

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