

# Regional Districts: *Federation of Members*

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# Regional Districts - Overview

- 27 Regional Districts
- Unique to BC
- Regional & local functions
- Voluntary federations
- Rural representatives are directly elected
- Municipal representatives: appointed from members of elected councils
- Each RD is different



# A “Made-in-BC” Solution

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## INTERNAL PARTNERS

- Regional
- Sub-regional
- Local



## EXTERNAL VOICE

- Provincial Government
- Other Regions
- Regional Partners
- Federal Government



# About Regional Districts

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## Supporting Municipalities

- Federation of members

## Coordinating Infrastructure between Communities

- Enable cross-boundary service partnerships

## Responding to Diverse Local Service Needs

- Any service, any scale, any mode

## Matching Who Pays, Who Benefits and Who Decides

- Flexible service boundaries and cost recovery options

## Planning & Service Delivery in Rural Areas

- Local government for rural planning and services

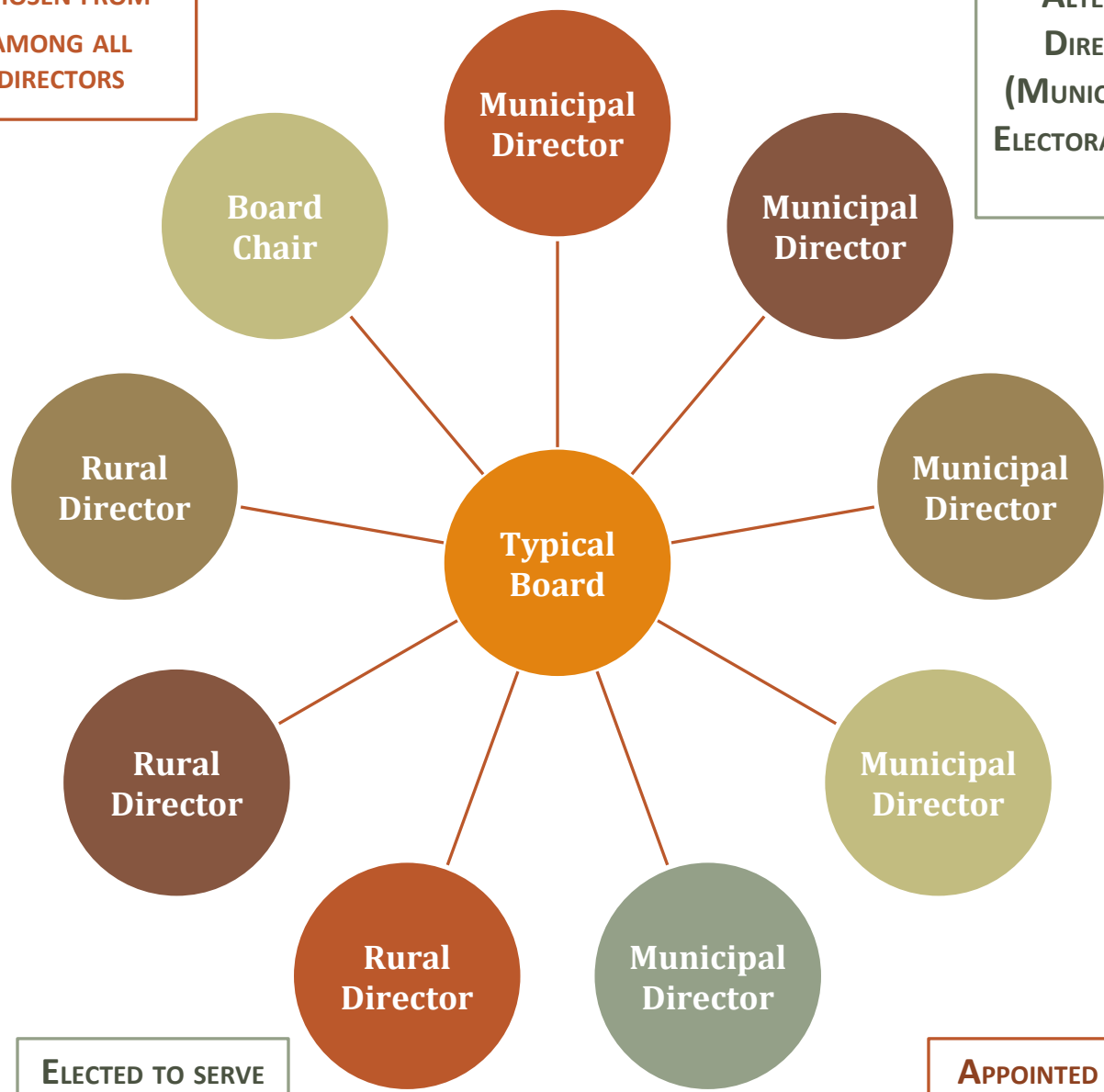
# 27 RDs...27 Different Stories

	Columbia Shuswap	Thompson Nicola	Capital
<b>Pop. 2017:</b>	53,000	138,000	392,000
<b>% Rural</b>	63%	33%	9%
<b>% Urban (pop 10,000+)</b>	37%	67%	91%
<b>% unincorporated</b>	38% (20,000)	19% (26,000)	7% (28,000)
<b>#of municipalities &gt; 10,000</b>	1	1	11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Regional District</li> <li>▪ Municipal</li> </ul> <b>Expenditures (2017)</b>	\$30M (31%) <u>\$67M (69%)</u> \$97 M	\$47M (17%) <u>\$230M (83%)</u> \$277 M	\$163M (21%) <u>\$611M (79%)</u> \$774 M
<b>Services (#)</b>	96	115+	200+
<b>Service Profile Drivers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Focus on rural &amp; sub-regional services</li> <li>▪ More people live in unincorporated areas than in urban areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Primarily aimed at smaller members</li> <li>▪ Kamloops' population is 67% of the entire region</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Focus on regional planning/ services</li> <li>▪ Limited role in inter-local &amp; rural services</li> </ul>

**Regional  
Districts  
are  
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**CHOSEN FROM  
AMONG ALL  
DIRECTORS**

**ALTERNATE  
DIRECTORS  
(MUNICIPAL AND  
ELECTORAL AREAS)**

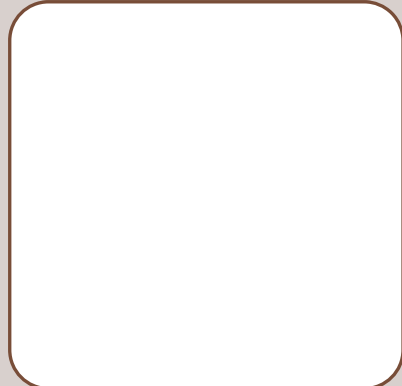
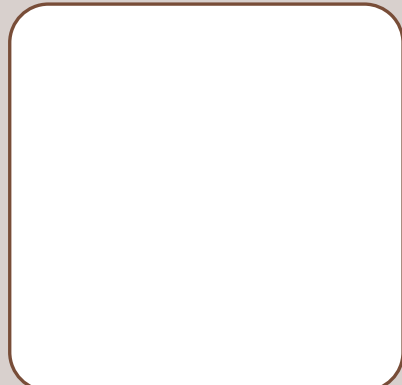


**ELECTED TO SERVE  
4-YEAR TERM**

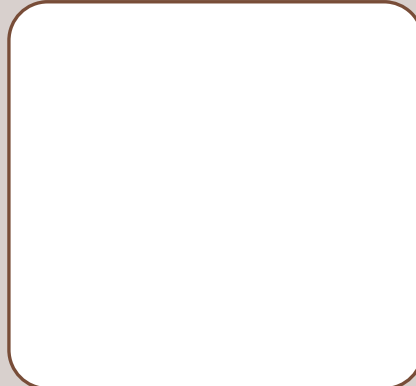
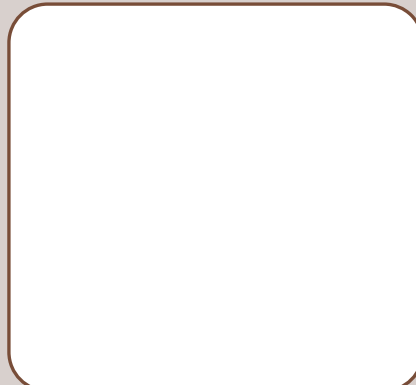
**APPOINTED FROM  
AND BY MUNICIPAL  
COUNCILS**

# Regional Districts : Special Voting Rules

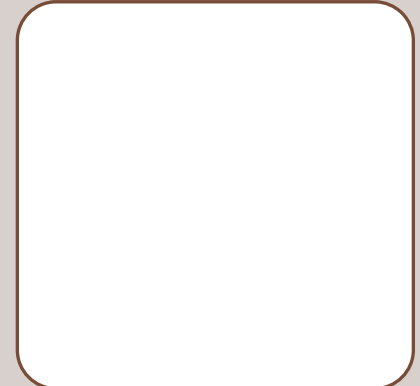
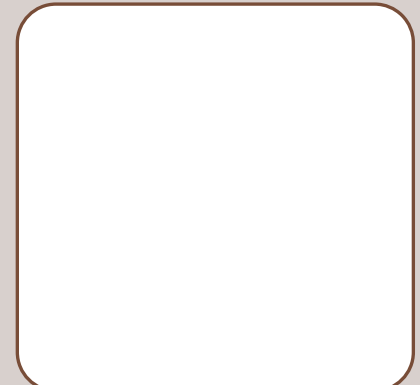
**Unweighted Corporate**



**Stakeholder Vote**



**Weighted Corporate**



**Note: applies to all but Metro Vancouver RD**

# Why Partner for Services?

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Low-cost  
framework  
for  
negotiating  
partnership  
services

Multiple  
services with  
custom  
boundaries

Match  
between who  
pays, who  
benefits, and  
who decides

Professional  
service  
management  
and service  
delivery you  
can't afford  
on your own

BC has 1000's  
of service  
partnerships



# Infinite Service Delivery Options

3. OPTIONS		DIRECT PROVISION	CONTRACT (PUBLIC)	CONTRACT (PRIVATE)	ARM'S LENGTH
		<b>1. THE SERVICE</b>			
<b>2. FIND YOUR PARTNER</b>	<b>LOCAL</b>	Capital Rural Fire	TNRD Rural Building Regulation	KBRD Big White Recycling & Garbage	Capital Saturna Island Fire Protection
	<b>SUB-REGIONAL</b>	Capital Water Delivery	CORD Suburban Transit	South Cariboo Airport	Bulkley Valley Economic Development
	<b>REGIONAL</b>	TNRD Library	CORD Landfill	Metro Van Waste to Energy	Capital Housing
	<b>MULT-REGIONAL</b>	Comox Waste Management	North Island 9-1-1 Service	TBD Example	Strathcona Broadband

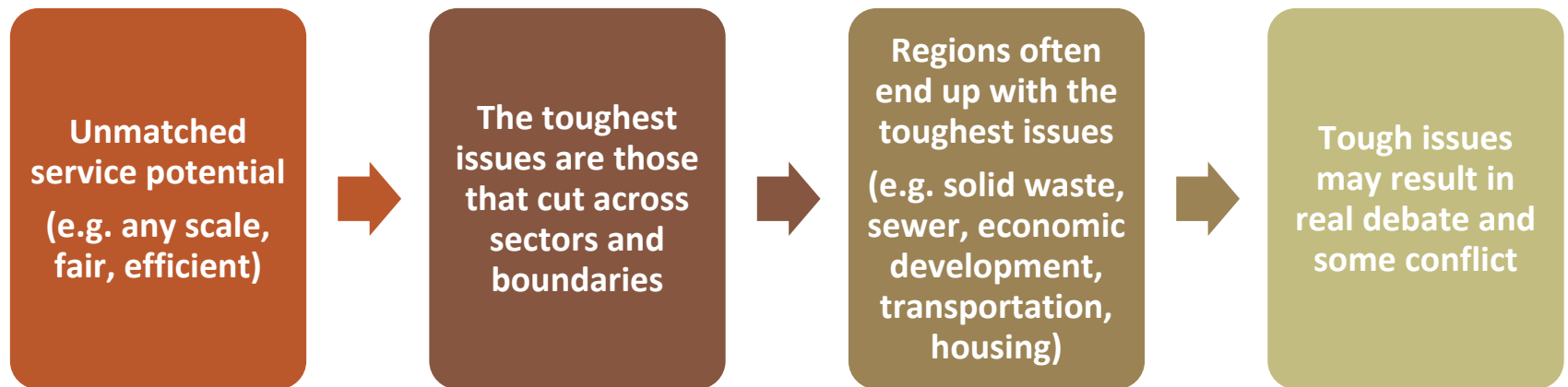
# **An RD Story...**

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# What's Your Role?

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The opportunities for results are considerable:



RD's need YOU to realize their potential

# Supports and Resources Available

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Provincial Legislation  
and Supports (e.g.  
Advice, Education)

Strong, Collaborative  
Associations (e.g.  
UBCM, MFA, LGLA,  
LGMA, CivicInfo, MIA)

Infrastructure  
Programs

Local Government  
Staff

# More Information

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- *Ministry of Municipal Affairs & Housing*

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/governments/local-governments>

- *RD Toolkit (UBCM)*

[www.ubcm.ca/library/default.aspx](http://www.ubcm.ca/library/default.aspx)