



Dear Kim,

Did You Know? Up to 71 percent of business owners do not have a plan on how to exit their business (also known as a succession plan). The impact of closing businesses due to "succession failure" will undoubtedly impact employment, economic output, business formation and availability of services in the Cowichan Region. [more...](#)



What would the region be like if every second or third storefront or business closed its doors?

Community Futures Cowichan recognizes that it is necessary to develop a Cowichan Business Succession Planning Strategy. We've developed a survey to help us better understand how the transitioning trend will impact the businesses in the Cowichan Region, and to help us identify services and resources for business owners that might need assistance in their transition and/or succession efforts.

Looking to start or expand your company?

We have assisted more than 600 Cowichan businesses with loans and financing. [Contact us](#) today to find out how we can help you.

We also offer Video Conferencing services, so you can meet face-to-face with other business partners. This is a great option to help reduce costs and connect with people from all over the country. Consider it for trainings, workshops and meetings. Phone us at 250-746-1004 or [email us](#) for more information.

Quick Links

[Community Futures Website](#)
[Succession Planning Survey](#)
[Contact Community Futures](#)

[Click here](#) to start the survey now. The survey link, more information about succession planning, and a printable PDF version of the survey can also be found on the [Community Futures Cowichan website](#).

Watch for upcoming succession planning workshops. The BC Ministry of Small Business and Revenue has granted five rural communities, including the Cowichan Region, \$47,000 to deliver training in small business succession planning.