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SUMMARY OF BC TRANSIT SERVICE EXPANSIONS

Region	Expansion (full-year funding)	Details
Campbell River	\$91,000	Sunday and evening service with additional midday Dogwood service starting January 2008.
Central Fraser Valley	\$230,000	New Abbotsford-Aldergrove service and increased handyDART service beginning this fall; service to new residential areas in Mission in January 2008.
Chilliwack	\$183,000	Expanded service to Promontory residential area starting in January 2008.
Comox Valley	\$48,000	Weekday evening service beginning January 2008.
Cowichan Valley	\$129,000	Introduction of Sunday service in September; improved South End service and increased handyDART service starting in January.
Dawson Creek	\$143,000	Service to the new multiplex starting in August.
Kamloops	\$156,000	Increased Sunday and holiday service, Valleyview-Thompson River University service, and increased handyDART service – all starting this fall.
Kelowna Region	\$904,000	Bus Rapid Transit from downtown Kelowna to UBC-Okanagan beginning implementation this August; increased handyDART service beginning implementation this fall.
Nanaimo Region	\$169,000	Enhanced Sunday and statutory holiday service, and other service improvements.
Prince George	\$120,000	Increased service to University of Northern BC starting this fall.
Penticton	\$222,000	New lake-to-lake route along Main Street with 30-minute frequency starting in January.
Powell River	\$125,000	Increased service frequencies, evening service and Sunday service starting in January.
6 paratransit systems	\$266,000	New/expanded small town and rural service in Columbia Valley, Elk Valley, Golden, Merritt, Saltspring Island, Thompson Nicola.
Sea-to-Sky	\$59,000	Squamish to Whistler commuter service (seasonal service).
Sunshine Coast	\$28,000	Increased service frequency from Langdale to Sechelt (summer only).

Vernon Region	\$160,000	Increased service frequency to growth areas and increased handyDART service starting in December.
Victoria Regional Transit	\$693,000	Implement TravelChoices strategy, increased service frequency in high growth areas, and increased handyDART service.

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