

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>AIDS Network Outreach and Support Society</b>		
ANKORS Peer Engagement		
<p>This will be a peer led project with supervision in Kind by ANKORS Peer Development Coordinator/ANKORS Team Lead. The ANKORS Peer engagement Project is a peer engagement initiative focused on a number of things to aimed at reducing stigma, connecting homeless and those at risk to be homeless to community and promoting wellness. The project is a initiative that gives honorarium to homeless people that we recruit to do jobs at Moir encampment and other areas where folks are camping. Honorariums are provided to peers engaged in community clean ups, business clean ups, syringe sweeps etc. The idea of this project is when people who are homeless are given honorarium for same day work, then they are less likely to engage in survival crimes like stealing to buy food etc. We know that this same day honorarium idea engages homeless people, in acquiring work skills, helps them have pride in themselves and feel connected to their community. Community stigma is also replaced with the broader public being thankful for the work and their efforts. We recognize that survival crime is at a all time high and we believe we can reduce these incidences by this project. So its the most vulnerable, the homeless who will be receiving honorarium.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$10,000.00
<b>Active Cranbrook Physical Literacy Society</b>		
Physical Literacy Community Outreach		
<p>The Active Cranbrook Physical Literacy Society (ACPLS) project will provide awareness, education and practical experience on physical literacy to a variety of organizations in Cranbrook and the geographical region. Physical literacy is how humans interact with their physical environment and includes agility, balance, coordination and stability as fundamental skills that assist anyone to participate in and perform physical tasks, including activities of daily living (ADLs) as well as recreational and sports activities.</p> <p>The project will provide physical literacy kits, including a variety of basic equipment like floor dots, rope and floor "ladders", balls, and cloth material to use in demonstrations and for organizations to develop enjoyable physical play activities and games to promote healthy social play in their space. By reaching out to various organizations, including, government, business, recreational and social groups in our community and area, we will increase the general awareness and uptake of healthy physical activity and assist in promoting and building a more health aware community.</p> <p>The success of Mobility Enhancement at Western Financial Place (WFP), and the Child Development Centre's Preschool Action Kits, have demonstrated the need and potential of creating a more physically literate and physically functional community. We will share and increase that success with this Physical Literacy Outreach Program and CBT/RDEK support.</p>		
"Just Move & Feel Great"		
	City of Cranbrook	\$2,500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$500.00
		<u>\$3,000.00</u>

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<b>Always Climb Association</b>		
Beyond the Walls		
<p>This project is geared towards providing sustainable opportunities for recreational climbers, as well competitive athletes. The project will enhance accessibility, as well initiate opportunities for all levels and ages of climbers. From youth after school programs, to national level athletes, as well equipment that allows the full experience of climbing; the project hopes to provide these resources for future success in the community. This will all be achieved through the purchasing of climbing equipment (Climbing holds, volumes, training equipment) and safety equipment (ropes, auto belays, flooring mats, belay devices, harnesses), and scholarship offerings to various recipients (National athletes 3-6 recipients, after-school programming: 3-6 recipients). The time and energy it takes to put this project together would be the biggest contribution. Beyond Always Climb associates, families and climbing enthusiasts donate their time to ensure follow through of such goals. The staff at Arq are the most wonderful people, and their energy and dedication to the sport allows for volunteered time towards ensuring the success of our project.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$15,000.00
<b>Baynes Lake Community Society</b>		
Water Treatment, Fence Restoration, Refrigeration		
<p>Water treatment is to install a point of entry well water filtration system as recommended by Interior Health to remove pathogens.</p> <p>Fence restoration to restore white picket fence around church court yard sand, pressure wash, and paint.</p> <p>refrigeration - replace and enhance refrigeration needs. purchase refrigeration units.</p> <p>Replace flattop sausage grill used for community events.</p> <p>Picnic tables - purchase picnic tables for community events and ease of storage.</p>		
	Electoral Area B	\$23,000.00

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<b>Blue Lake Forest Education Society</b>		
Blue Paddle Campaign		
The Blue Paddle Campaign provides subsidies for local youth to attend Blue Lake Camp programs. Our programs can range from one day to week long programs. There are overnight options, and day long options. This money will be used to support kids getting outside, learning about the natural world, and improving their leadership skills. This money will go to individual kids who's families have a financial barrier to participating. This funding will ensure every child can attend camp without their families' finances being a burden to them.		
	District of Sparwood	\$2,400.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,800.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$2,400.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,200.00
	Electoral Area C	\$3,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$2,400.00
	Electoral Area F	\$2,400.00
	Electoral Area G	\$2,400.00
	City of Cranbrook	\$6,000.00
	City of Fernie	\$3,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$2,400.00
	District of Elkford	\$1,200.00
	District of Invermere	\$2,400.00
		<u>\$34,000.00</u>

### **Bright New Minds Child Care Society**

#### Early Years Speech & Language Enrichment Pilot

The Columbia Valley is a large area with many children who require childcare, many of whom were infants during the COVID-19 pandemic and who now struggle with a variety of behaviours and language delays, stemming from limited socialization opportunities and impressionable time in their lives as infants where they did not see peoples faces or hear the annunciation of words; not to mention the emotional trauma some children still face when they see someone wearing a mask. Bright New Minds in conjunction with Dorie Jones an SLP with Cascade Speech Therapy is willing to work with the educators at Bright New Minds to offer regular curriculum and attend the centre monthly to facilitate games, rhymes and activities to build these much needed language skills that children in our entire centre should be able to benefit from; not just those children who see Interior Health for specific speech and language support.

District of Invermere	\$5,582.00
Electoral Area F	\$1,000.00
Electoral Area G	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	\$7,582.00

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<b>Canal Flats Food Bank Society</b>		
Canal Flats Food Bank		
We will provide food for families in need We will prepare a hamper of food when it is needed. If they can't pick it up we will deliver		
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$2,000.00</u>
<b>Caregivers Network for East Kootenay Seniors Society</b>		
Travel Assistance Program for Family Caregivers		
The project "Travel Assistance Program for Family Caregivers" would provide gas and meal vouchers to low income family caregivers who are driving senior's to medical appointments out of community, or to visit their senior loved one who is placed in long term care out of community on the "first available bed" policy. The Caregivers Network supports over 200 family caregivers throughout the East Kootenay, and at minimum another 200 senior care recipients who benefit from our support. In a recently conducted needs assessment, we have determined that approximately 1/3 of our clients are low income and struggling with the cost of caring for a loved one.		
We would like to invite our low income clients to register in this travel assistance program on an individual as needed basis. We have six paid staff in the largest communities in the East Kootenay each with their own client base and means to distribute gas and meal vouchers. We would provide low income clients with meal and gas vouchers to help offset the cost of caregiving for a senior loved one needing to travel out of community.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$5,500.00
	City of Fernie	\$1,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$1,000.00
	District of Invermere	\$1,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$10,000.00</u>

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<b>Christmas Bureau of the Columbia Valley</b>		
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The project is to provide Christmas to needy families and individuals. We do fund raisers and canvas for donations to business and individuals.		
	District of Invermere	\$10,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$5,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$5,000.00
		<hr/> \$30,000.00

### Collective for Lower Elk Aquifer Restoration (CLEAR)

Story Map: Investigating Water Balance in South Country

The proposed story map will build on the results of a water availability, water balance and water quality study to be conducted for CLEAR by MacHydro - a hydrology consulting company in Cranbrook. This study will research and compile existing information regarding South Country ground and surface water to ensure CLEAR and the broader community residents, area users, funders and decision makers have an evidence based, accurate understanding of our water situation currently and going forward. A technical report to be produced by MacHydro as part of the existing study will be used as the basis for the proposed story map. The story map will be an essential means to communicate an accurate common understanding of our water system to a broad audience. This understanding is key to informed decision making as CLEAR continues to engage the broader community and partners to address diminishing water resources.

The main tasks are:

- arrange the data contained in the technical report to be produced by MacHydro for CLEAR.
- identify main conclusions.
- assemble into a storyline.
- physically put story map into ArcMap. (ArcMap is a computer program used to represent geographic information as a collection of layers and other elements (e.g. text, photos, graphics) in a series of maps.

Electoral Area B	\$6,000.00
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<b>Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network</b>		
Outdoor Learning Social Enterprise Development		
<p>This project will allow us to expand our social enterprise - the Outdoor Learning Store - with 100% of proceeds going back to supporting outdoor and environmental learning initiatives. It will allow us to purchase the equipment and tools required to serve a growing need, while also generating revenue to go back into local programs and initiatives.</p> <p>Specifically, it will allow us to purchase additional shelving, tables, an efficient heating system and door to help us become more energy efficient, thus reducing costs and environmental impact. This will also allow us to provide a work environment that is better for our local staff, and will allow us more space to be able to accommodate future staffing needs.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$5,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$500.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$500.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$500.00
		<u>\$7,500.00</u>

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<b>Columbia Basin Environmental Education Network</b>		
Wild Voices for Kids in RDEK		
<p>Wild Voices for Kids supports school-based environmental education in the Columbia Basin by connecting pre K-12 teachers and students to hands-on presentations and field-studies, based on the local environment. These presentations and field-studies are created and delivered by community educators who are experts in their field, including biologists, ecologists, geographers, foresters, mountain guides, and cultural liaisons.</p> <p>The goals of the Wild Voices program include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Assisting teachers in reaching their curriculum goals in engaging and innovative ways.</li> <li>2. Facilitating learning opportunities that foster ecologically literate students.</li> <li>3. Providing access to environmental learning for students and teachers in the Columbia Basin through at least 100 fully subsidized and 100 heavily subsidized presentations each school year, with unlimited presentations available at slightly subsidized rates.</li> </ol> <p>Since 2008, students across the Columbia Basin have received curriculum-linked presentations and hands-on field studies through Wild Voices. Funding would be used to cover honoraria for Community Educators delivering presentations and bussing expenses for student travel to field-based studies for Wild Voices presentations delivered to students in RDEK.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$4,500.00
	City of Fernie	\$2,300.00
	City of Kimberley	\$2,000.00
	District of Elkford	\$500.00
	District of Sparwood	\$500.00
	Electoral Area A	\$500.00
	Electoral Area B	\$300.00
	Electoral Area C	\$900.00
	Electoral Area E	\$500.00
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		\$12,000.00

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<b>Columbia Basin Institute of Regional History</b>		
Making History Public		
Columbia Basin Institute of Regional History (CBIRH) will undertake work to extend and expand the Columbia Basin Image Bank, by digitizing, preserving and making publicly accessible 600 new historical photographs of the East Kootenay District. Through this project CBIRH will bring historical photos that are currently inaccessible to the general public. The photographs will be accessible for public viewing for free on CBIRH's website <a href="http://www.basininstitute.org">www.basininstitute.org</a> .		
These are the communities/areas: City of Cranbrook - 110 images; City of Fernie - 50 images; City of Kimberley - 80 images; District of Elkford - 30 images; District of Sparwood - 50 images; Electoral Area A - 40 images; Electoral Area B - 100 images; Electoral Area C - 110 images; Electoral Area E - 30 images.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$2,250.00
	City of Fernie	\$750.00
	City of Kimberley	\$2,000.00
	District of Elkford	\$750.00
	District of Sparwood	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$750.00
	Electoral Area B	\$2,500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,550.00
	Electoral Area E	\$450.00
		<hr/> \$13,000.00

### Columbia House Enhancement Society

#### Columbia House Community Healing Garden

Applying a non-slip surface to the Healing Garden gazebo that will allow safe access to limited mobility residents, regardless of the incumbent weather issues. Due to the risk of slipping and possible injury to the user the gazebo area has only been accessible in perfect, dry weather conditions, which removes 1500 square feet of possible space for residents and their visitors. Our original design had not contemplated this problem.

Electoral Area F	\$6,000.00
Electoral Area G	\$4,000.00
	<hr/> \$10,000.00



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<b>Columbia Lake Stewardship Society</b>		
Columbia River Headwater Lakes Monitoring and Education		
<p>The Lake Windermere Ambassadors and Columbia Lake Stewardship Societies are joining forces to strengthen the protection of the Columbia River headwater lakes by implementing the Columbia River Headwater Lakes Monitoring and Education Project. The project will build on our baseline data gathering information on the lake's water quality, quantity and vulnerable aquatic species populations in the lakes. The primary activities of this project include water quality and quantity monitoring of Columbia Lake, Lake Windermere, tributaries, and the upper reaches of the Columbia River. It also involves promoting the protection and restoration of shorelines, participating in species surveys and monitoring, and facilitating community education and outreach initiatives. The data collected will inform decision-making, governance, and restoration efforts in the headwaters region. We engage with the community through various initiatives, such as providing opportunities for citizen science water monitoring, participating in community invasive weed pulls and community cleanups, and delivering community educational programs, including outreach booths, workshops, in-school sessions, and summer camps. By sharing information with stakeholders, we aim to create collective action to preserve the freshwater ecosystems and natural environment of the Columbia River headwaters. By enhancing community knowledge of water resources, we aim to empower citizens and decision-makers to take proactive measures to safeguard the headwater lakes, benefitting ecosystems and communities now and in the future.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$10,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$2,895.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$895.00
	Electoral Area F	\$8,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$900.00
		<hr/> \$22,690.00

### Columbia Valley Arts Council

#### Replacement Tent Canopy

CV Arts occupies the Pynelogs historic building in Invermere and runs programs from this location. As part of our summer operations we have a large canopy awning that provides shelter and shade such that we can expand our programming to a covered outside area. The existing 20x20 canopy is at the end of life and requires replacement in order for us to continue to leverage this large outdoor area throughout the late print through early fall. The replacement of this awning is critical at this time as we are restarting some pre-covid programming that has been absent for the past four years. Mountain Mosaic is set to relaunch July 1, 2024 and in prior years saw thousands of people enjoying a variety of activities and programs in and around the Pynelogs building. We have received a quote to replace the awning from the local supplier who sets up and takes down our awning annually and have been informed that our existing canopy is very much at the end of its life, they are able to source and supply a replacement for \$3472.00

District of Invermere	\$3,472.00
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<b>Columbia Valley Pride</b>		
Permanent Thermoplastic Rainbow Crosswalk		
<p>The project is the installment of a Permanent Rainbow Crosswalk downtown Invermere between Village Arts and The Panorama Mountain Centre. We are working closely with the DOI and in consultation with other Pride organizations. Angela Maclean with the DOI has obtained an initial quote from a contractor they work with and has been in discussion with them for the best possible option for us, in terms of the most durable and lasting option and an option in which there is the possibility of being able to repair any damaged area. The installment of the crosswalk is best done 2 months after the installment of new asphalt. The DOI is replacing the asphalt at this intersection this year - date yet to be set. The crosswalk will be installed 2 months after the pavement is installed. Thus the estimated dates included in the application are just that an estimation, but the installment will definitely be by the fall of 2024, hopefully sooner.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$7,000.00</u>
<b>Columbia Valley Rockies Booster Society</b>		
Expand and Relocate Bull Riding in the Rockies for the Columbia Valley Community		
<p>In partnership with the Shuswap Band administration, the Columbia Valley Rockies Booster society is looking to expand and relocate the Bull Riding in the Rockies to a permanent location. The current location that has been used to host the Bull Riding for 30+ years has been sold and is no longer available for the event. This grant will be used to provide much needed seating upgrades at the new location. This will allow for a better, safer experience for the guests at the event. The proposed new site will be a shared location where the bleachers/seating we already own (but aging) will reside to be used for other events like the Salmon Festival to make a better, safer venue for everyone. More bleachers will also allow for a bigger event and to get people off the dirt, into proper seating and away from the bull riding ring for everyone's safety. We currently own sets of aging bleachers that need to be replaced and expanded.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$8,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$4,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$4,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$4,000.00
		<u>\$20,000.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Columbia Valley Youth Soccer Association</b>		
Youth Soccer Equipment		
<p>The purpose of this project is to secure funds to be able to purchase some of the required equipment that can allow us to continue to offer this popular program to a growing group of children and youth.</p> <p>Your support would allow our organization to purchase required equipment (such as balls, tents, jerseys and nets - outlined in the budget) while keeping fees affordable so that there is not a financial barrier for families wishing their children to participate.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$4,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$500.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$500.00
		<hr/> \$8,000.00

### Community Connections Society of Southeast BC

#### Cranbrook Food Recovery - Food Workbees

Cranbrook Food Recovery (CFR) partners with local grocery stores, bakeries and restaurants to recover food that is still edible, but no longer valuable for sale. We also recover produce from farmers in Creston.

CFR then distributes the majority of that food to community organizations. Anything that is no longer human grade is donated to local farmers for livestock feed.

Our chef also uses a portion of recovered food to create 450 meals every week. Meals are distributed to the homeless shelter, to the Salvation Army, and distributed weekly to anyone who who needs or wants frozen, ready-to-eat meals.

In the summer and fall, we have made impromptu trips to Creston to recover produce they can't sell, but also can't store. Last year we recovered 3500lbs of locally grown (delicious) fruit and veg, and brought it back to be distributed freely within Cranbrook and Kimberley.

This funding will allow us to hold weekly workbees that invite community members to join us in processing food.

These will be social, inclusive 2-hour events, and will focus on how to preserve ingredients for future cooking use.

We will also purchase a sealer that allows us to transition ready-to-eat community meal packaging away from single-use tinfoil to a sealable heat-resistant compostable package.

City of Cranbrook \$5,250.00

### Community Connections Society of Southeast BC

#### Cranbrook Urban Farm - Site Beautification

ReDi funding will be used for site development of Cranbrook Urban Farm. We want the farm to be an inviting, welcoming space for the community. This includes applying community sourced artwork to our enclosed growing units, and completing some site prep/beautification.

City of Cranbrook \$14,000.00

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<b>Community Connections Society of Southeast BC</b>		
Public Produce Garden 2024 Events		
<p>Although this community managed, free public space that aims to increase food security and local food education has been around for over a decade, it is still not well known in the community. We would like to hold five community events in the garden in the 2024 season. These events will allow us to build community and showcase this amazing space.</p> <p>Events would include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Learn to garden, food growing for beginners</li> <li>2. The bees knees, an old-fashioned tea party</li> <li>3. Container gardening, growing food in unconventional spaces</li> <li>4. Art in the garden, appreciation for all things beautiful</li> <li>5. Farm to Table Harvest Party, a celebration of local food</li> </ol>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$4,600.00
<b>Cranbrook Archives, Museum and Landmark Society</b>		
Cranbrook Landmark Restoration		
<p>The Restoration Project aims to renew the exterior of the iconic Cranbrook Water Tower and Elko Train Station, integral components of our community's local history. This endeavor is dedicated to safeguarding these significant landmarks, thereby actively supporting the implementation of the Downtown Revitalization Plan. Urgent attention is required for the restoration of both structures, addressing issues such as deteriorating siding and renewing the protective painting.</p> <p>Situated prominently along the arterial highway through Cranbrook and in close proximity to Cranbrook's Downtown, these prominent structures play important roles as historic landmarks in the community. Their restoration is not only essential for preserving our heritage but also serves as a strategic initiative to enhance the appeal of the city to tourists. The revitalization of these landmarks is poised to attract visitors, encouraging them to pause and explore the city, thereby contributing substantially to community vibrancy and the overall economic development of the City.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$28,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$29,000.00</u>

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<b>Cranbrook Food Bank Society</b>		
Redesign and Accessibility Upgrades to Receiving and Distribution of Donated and Recovered Food		
<p>This project is to update the current equipment we use for the receiving and distribution of food to increase both safety and efficiency at the Cranbrook Food Bank. These upgrades will also make many areas of the Food Bank more accessible to our diverse team of over 80 volunteers.</p> <p>Beginning in June 2024, we will switch some of our table scales to floor scales. This will allow carts to be rolled onto the scales, increasing efficiency and decreasing the risk of injury from improper body mechanics. We will also upgrade carts in our warehouse and operational area. We will purchase an adjustable-height cart to accommodate our volunteers with diverse abilities. The addition of an electric pallet jack for the receiving of shipments and large donations will also increase our efficiency and make it safer for volunteers to move pallets of food.</p> <p>We will implement this project by purchasing the equipment from suppliers both locally and online and then we will switch out the new equipment for the older equipment that needs replacing. We will provide in-person training for all the volunteers and employees who will be using the equipment and will include the training in our volunteer manual.</p> <p>We will have all the equipment purchased and the volunteers trained by the end of August 2024.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$11,761.00
	City of Kimberley	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$500.00
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		\$17,261.00

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<b>Cranbrook Lacrosse Association</b>		
School Program and Safety Equipment Upgrade		
<p>The Cranbrook Lacrosse Association(CLA), is a vibrant, non-profit organization that has seen substantial growth over the last 8 years, more than tripling the number of youths registered in lacrosse during that time. The growth is directly related to the development model that has been adopted by our Association that ensures registration costs are kept low in order to keep the sport of lacrosse accessible and inclusive for the engagement of all youth.</p> <p>With tremendous growth and limited revenue generated from registration fees the CLA has not had the opportunity to upgrade and replace some of the key equipment required to run our lacrosse program and with the addition of a new turf for the Memorial Arena, we now require the ability to maintain the cleanliness and integrity of the turf.</p> <p>The project involves the acquisition of new goalie equipment, lacrosse goals, youth lacrosse sticks, shot clocks and an industrial vacuum for the turf. In acquiring these items, the CLA will be able to improve the quality of outdated, worn-out equipment, ensure enhancement of our school program, and ensure that all current safety standards are met. The addition of the turf to our program last year was a substantial purchase but to maintain the integrity and cleanliness of the turf surface the purchase of an industrial vacuum is essential.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$19,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$8,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$7,500.00
		<u>\$39,500.00</u>

### **Cranbrook Pickleball Club**

#### Cranbrook Pickleball Club, Kinsmen Court Sound Reduction

The Cranbrook Pickleball Club will be completing the installation of sound barrier to the fencing on the west side of the Kinsmen Pickleball Courts. Acoustiblok, is the highest rated sound barrier available and has been used with great success across North America. Installation of this sound barrier to the fencing on the north side of the courts in 2022 was very successful in reducing the noise to the adjacent neighbourhood. We would like to give the residents west of the courts, the same benefits of noise reduction.

As well as providing the highest possible noise reduction, the installation of Acoustiblok on the west side will improve the aesthetics of this City of Cranbrook facility.

As was done with the first phase, the fencing will be reinforced with a concrete and metal bracing system to maintain the structural integrity after the addition of the very heavy sound barrier material. All costs associated with this portion of the project will be covered by The Cranbrook Pickleball Club, including materials and installation.

City of Cranbrook	\$9,623.00
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<b>Cranbrook Public Library</b>		
Our Library, Our Communities, Our Story: The Cranbrook Public Library's 100th Anniversary		
The Cranbrook Public Library will be turning 100 on July 4th, 2025.		
And that is something worth celebrating.		
The "Our Library, Our Communities, Our Story" project will enable the citizens of Cranbrook to celebrate the library's extensive past and exciting future, through year-long programs, activities and special celebrations. A commemorative book will also be published, charting the Library's evolution alongside the citizen's it served (and continues to do so).		
	City of Cranbrook	\$12,000.00
	Electoral Area C	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
		\$15,000.00

### **Cranbrook and District Arts Council Society**

"What is that Building next to Encore?" Cranbrook Arts needs a Sign!

What is the Project?

- An exterior "Cranbrook Arts" sign for our building
- A "1401 Gallery" sign for the side of the building

The project will:

- bring awareness to our new location and help us reach more people in the community
- allow us to complete our exterior/building renovation project, which began in 2019 and is continuing into 2024
- is a more economical avenue than a free-standing sign, and will not utilize much needed parking space
- support our Community Arts Engagement Program - making it easier for patrons of partner organizations to find us
- along with our exterior renovation, add to the aesthetic of Kootenay S N

Signage will achieve this by:

- clarifying who we are (not a daycare building, gym or boutique)
- letting the community know where we are:
  - our moving of the gift shop from Baker St
  - our street address does not align with our building frontage
- bringing our exterior project to completion, restutling in an attractive, noticeable building with a clear identity

City of Cranbrook	\$12,980.00
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<b>Cycling Without Age (CWA) Fernie Foundation</b>		
CWA Fernie Trishaw Purchase 2024		
<p>The project is the acquisition of the funds required to purchase a new Trishaw. The original Trishaw was purchased second-hand in 2018 and now has significant problems with its mechanical parts and the battery. This has limited our services to having only 2 trishaws available at any time to take people on outings. Having a third trishaw bike would allow more people in the community to enjoy being outside and feeling the wind in their hair. Three trishaws would allow CWA to expand our operations while continuing to provide rides to more users.</p> <p>The cost of a new Trishaw is approximately \$21,700 and CWA Fernie has been fundraising for the past 2 years in order to acquire the necessary funds. A grant from ReDi would be a significant addition to help support the purchase of this new trishaw.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$1,000.00
	District of Sparwood	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$3,000.00
		<u>\$10,000.00</u>
<b>East Kootenay Chamber of Mines Society</b>		
Traveling Outreach Booth		
<p>We would like funding to purchase our own booth to take to community functions within the East Kootenays. We attended functions and festivals throughout the East Kootenay region to do Outreach. We have been invited to festivals and parks where we bring Fossils and Minerals to show those in attendance the types of Minerals in our region and what they are used for as well as the fossil we are known for. Currently we have had to rely on those hosting to provide us with a tent and tables. We would like to purchase our own to show a bigger presents and be able to go more places</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$2,543.00
<b>East Kootenay Equestrian Association</b>		
Water Trailer for Dust Control and Fire Suppression		
<p>We are applying for funding to help us in purchasing a water trailer and water storage for use at the Wycliffe Exhibition Grounds for dust control and fire suppression.</p> <p>We explored the possibility of purchasing a pre-made 1000gal trailer but the price was exceptionally high and the weight and maneuverability would have been restrictive for users.</p> <p>As such, we are applying to purchase the individual parts for an 800gal water trailer (with pump and spray bar) to be constructed by qualified volunteers. Additionally (and included in this application) we are applying for funding to purchase a 3000gal water storage tank to be kept full at the grounds in support of fire suppression and dust control activities. The storage tank would serve to provide rapid refill of the water trailer as well as support future projects planned at the grounds that require larger volume/pressure of water than currently available.</p>		
	Electoral Area C	\$20,863.00



## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>East Kootenay Invasive Species Council</b>		
East Kootenay Range Tenure Invasive Plant Program		
<p>The Project's objective is to support range stewardship and invasive plant management activities on Crown land range tenures. To achieve this, EKISC focuses on two components:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Invasive plant management (inventory, treatment, monitoring, data entry).</li> <li>2. Outreach (delivery of workshops, learning events, resource development).</li> </ol> <p>The primary component of this Project is invasive plant management. EKISC works with Crown land range tenure holders to administer strategic invasive plant treatments on public rangelands (i.e., ranchers are paid to treat invasive plants on their range tenures). Treatments are in alignment with Provincial priorities to ensure a landscape level approach, and help the range tenure holder increase forage availability for livestock. Management activities include mechanical or chemical work through application of approved herbicides. EKISC assists project participants with receiving the necessary education (e.g., attending Pesticide Applicators Certificate course, invasive plant identification) and training required to safely and effectively apply herbicides.</p> <p>The project enables ranchers to stay on top of existing and new invasive plant infestations (e.g., support forage availability/retention), and improves land stewardship on range. Treatments are monitored to ensure efficacy and completion, and data is entered into the Provincial database. EKISC also delivers education and outreach activities to the ranching/agricultural community.</p>		
	Electoral Area B	\$9,830.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,970.00
		<u>\$12,800.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>East Kootenay Invasive Species Council</b>		
Spreading the Word, NOT the Invasives - Reducing the Spread of Invasive Species through Education and Outreach		
This project will promote increased environmental stewardship and positive behaviour change for invasive species prevention. EKISC will directly increase community knowledge, awareness, and understanding of the impacts of invasive species on natural environments and the region as well as identification and best management practices.		
This project will provide invasive plant and animal education and awareness through in person workshops and training; interactions at events such as farmers markets; connecting with youth through schools and girl guides/scout groups; interactions with boat owners at boat launches to spread the message of Clean, Drain, Dry; connecting with pet stores about the Don't Let It Loose program; weed pulls which enable hands-on experience identifying and controlling invasive plants; distributing invasive plant resources and spending one-on-one time with landowners; and online communications such as webinars and engaging social media posts.		
This project will aim to increase engagement with community members and groups that EKISC has not worked with previously or groups in which there is a lack of or need for invasive education.		
The funding from last year was used at events such as plant walks, invasive plant pulls, our "Watercolour With Weeds" workshop and community garden presentations, there was much gratitude from the community for our presence and feedback showed the public appreciated these engaging events and there was demand for more such events.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$2,000.00
	City of Fernie	\$2,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$2,000.00
	District of Elkford	\$2,000.00
	District of Invermere	\$1,000.00
	District of Sparwood	\$1,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$500.00
	Electoral Area G	\$500.00
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		\$17,000.00

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### East Kootenay Invasive Species Council

#### Strategic Invasive Plant Control of Leafy Spurge (SIPCOLS)

The goal of the SIPCOLS Project is to work collaboratively with area stakeholders to decrease infestation levels and prevent new introductions of Leafy spurge (LS) in the upper Columbia Valley. LS is an aggressive invader that can result in decreased commercial land values, reduced cattle stocking rates and income for farmers, and a reduction to recreation and tourism values associated with BC's landscapes.

EKISC will work with project partners to develop a strategic, comprehensive workplan that will focus on managing existing infestations and reducing the risk of spread into high value adjacent lands. The collaborative approach will result in leveraged funds and cost savings for project partners.

#### Objectives:

1. Inventory LS sites in the project area.
2. Create a comprehensive, multi-stakeholder LS management plan, focusing on areas of high habitat value and pose the greatest threat to adjacent land managers (Wildlife Management Areas, conservation lands, Shuswap Band lands, agricultural lands).
3. Treat identified high-priority infestations within 1km of private land within the project area. Additional treatments areas, funding permitting, will include:
  - Infestations on Crown land near the CWWMA to prevent further spread of LS away from main areas of infestation.
  - Infestations that are adjacent to Shuswap Band lands to assist with on-reserve treatments.
4. Communicate importance of LS control to stakeholders and community members within the Columbia Valley.

Electoral Area F	\$7,050.00
Electoral Area G	\$1,700.00
	<u>\$8,750.00</u>

### East Kootenay Regional Science Fair Society

#### East Kootenay Regional Science Fair

We host the East Kootenay Regional Science Fair on an annual basis. Students in grades 6 to 12 from around the East Kootenay can compete in the fair and possibly qualify for Canada-Wide Science Fair. Each year four winning students from the regional fair travel to the national fair with their project. Science fair is an opportunity for students to develop their own experiments or complete research projects to further their scientific understanding. It is also an opportunity for students to present their work and defend their ideas to a series of judges. The regional fair is a gateway to the national fair where students can represent their home region.

City of Cranbrook	\$815.00
City of Fernie	\$500.00
City of Kimberley	\$500.00
District of Elkford	\$500.00
District of Sparwood	\$500.00
Electoral Area C	\$500.00
	<u>\$3,315.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Edgewater Elementary School</b>		
Outdoor Learning Centre Edgewater Elementary School		
This is the second phase of our Outdoor Classroom project. The funds received for phase one went towards the construction of the concrete pad the classroom will be sitting on. The funding for the second phase of the project will be used towards the purchase of the structure.		
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$3,500.00
	Electoral Area G	\$3,500.00
		<u>\$7,000.00</u>
<b>Elk River Watershed Alliance</b>		
Elk River Floodplain Restoration		
The Elk River Alliance seeks ReDi support for purchasing fencing supplies and watering systems to support streambank restoration on three historical pasture fields along the Elk River. In 2024-25, work will focus on installing protective fencing, watering systems and revegetation along 600 m of Elk River streambank. Two sites are located between Elkford and Sparwood: The 'Big Ranch' and 'Elk River Lodge'. The third 'Morrissey Meadows' site is located 18 km south of Fernie.		
Livestakes (cut branches) and seedlings of cottonwood, red osier dogwood, and willows will be collected from existing groves. They will be re-planted within 10 m of the riverbank to produce dense barrier vegetation. A watering system will be installed to maintain soil moisture for two years, which will allow the plants to create a viable self-sustaining root network. Temporary fencing will be installed to protect young plants from herbivores.		
The project will stabilize banks, restore terrestrial and aquatic habitats, and improve flood resilience. Dense roots will trap soil and stones and allow the bank to resist water erosional forces naturally. Riparian vegetation will is also vital for a healthy habitat for mammals, birds, and fish. This work will forward a long-term goal of developing a functional floodplain forest ecosystem on the sites, and connect the floodplain corridor along the Elk Valley.		
	City of Fernie	\$10,000.00
	District of Elkford	\$10,000.00
	District of Sparwood	\$10,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$4,606.00
		<u>\$34,606.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Elk Valley Childcare Society</b>		
New Childcare Facility Equipment		
<p>We are in the process of opening a new childcare facility in the City of Fernie. This is a pilot project in partnership with The City of Fernie, The Ministry of Family and Education and The Elk Valley Childcare Society. We are very fortunate that the Ministry of Education is funding a brand-new building to operate the facility and creating housing for Early Childcare Educators although, as the operator, we do not get any financial support to furnish the childcare facility. With your support, we will be able to purchase the necessary equipment to help the administration staff with the daily operations of the facility, provide the Early Childcare Educators with the appropriate resources to help children develop to their full potential and allow children to be in an environment where they can explore and grow with age-appropriate toys.</p> <p>The equipment would be (but not limited to)* :</p> <p>Office equipment and supplies - Computers, desks, printers, scanners, photocopier, filing cabinets, phones, portable radio, paper, writing implements...</p> <p>Childcare equipment: Cribs, cots, tables, chairs, high chairs, toys, health and safety supplies, plastic dining set, safety gates, mat covers, Arts and craft supplies, play material...</p> <p>*Full list with pricing in Excel form attached</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$46,200.00
<b>Elk Valley Family Society</b>		
Building Signs in English and Ktunaxa languages		
<p>We would like to place signage in our buildings in Fernie for our tenants to visitors to know where they are going. We would like to have them in both English and in Ktunaxa language.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$2,500.00

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Elk Valley Hospice</b>		
Wind Phones for the Elk Valley & South Country		
<p>The Elk Valley Hospice Wind Phone Project proposes to design, construct and install a Wind Phone in each of the following communities: Elkford, Sparwood, Fernie and the South Country.</p> <p>Wind Phone's provide a powerful opportunity to ease suffering and are a meaningful resource for people journeying with end of life, loss, and grief. There are many different varieties of Wind Phones but at their most basic they provide grieving community members access to an unconnected phone in nature. This unconnected phone allows them to connect with loved ones who have passed and share their thoughts and feelings. It also provides an opportunity to say the things you wished you could have but did not.</p> <p>The first Wind Phone was created in Japan as a shrine to mindfully connect people to their loved ones who had died in the 2011 earthquake and subsequent tsunami. Since then, Wind Phone's have been established all over the world with the "...wish that [a] path leads you to a telephone of the wind as you walk with grief, a place where the wind will take your words to the ones you love who have walked ahead." (Amy Dawson).</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$3,400.00
	District of Elkford	\$3,400.00
	District of Sparwood	\$3,400.00
	Electoral Area B	\$3,400.00
		<u>\$13,600.00</u>

### Elkford Curling Centre Society

#### Ice-Cube Machine Purchase

The Elkford Curling Club (ECC) requires a new ice machine to replace the existing unit which is no longer functioning reliably, due to its age (manufacture date 1990). Based on equipment age, replacement has become the more financially sound option versus repair.

The ECC has serviced the community for the last 49 years by providing recreational curling October through February each year. The club relies on beverage sales for a significant part of its operational cost funding. Currently the ice machine is used regularly three days per week, in addition to special events such as bonspiels which occur multiple times within a year. For example, the most recent 2024 Wildcat Bonspiel hosted 26 teams (104 players), along with numerous spectators, with approximately 2,000 beverages sold over one weekend.

District of Elkford	\$4,699.00
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## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Elkford Housing Society</b>		
Maintenance Equipment Shed		
The equipment shed will be of a size to include the storage of winter snow removal equipment (ie snowblower, shovels, etc) and lawn and gardening equipment (ie mowers, fertilizer, etc). The shed will be a minimum 300 sqft to a maximum of 625 sqft, depending on the type of building acquired. Included in the building of this structure will be a concrete pad, a garage door (or 2 depending on size and cost), electrical, heater and labour.		
	District of Elkford	\$20,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$10,000.00
		<u>\$30,000.00</u>
<b>Elko Parks and Recreation Association (1987)</b>		
Elko Community Hall Interior Upgrade		
The funding for this project will be spent on the interior of the community hall. The present venue is dated and by repairing drywall, adding suspended ceilings and replacing parts of the interior walls, the project will not only bring the venue a more up to date appearance, but will stop winter drafts and improve the insulating by repair or replacement. Suspended ceilings will be dropped and installed under the present ceiling creating an air barrier and another line of defense against heat loss, repair and/or replacement where necessary of walls will help to stop drafts and heat loss during the winter months. The addition of a hardwired heater in the crawl space in the location of the water lines will prevent freezing and will ensure pipes are not frozen or lines broken during freezing temperatures. We would also like to add a device charging station for cell phones and or tablets and the like. When the community hall is being used as a warming station or evacuation hub, the citizens involved will have access to chargers to keep updated on road closures, storm warnings or contact family.		
	Electoral Area B	\$34,000.00
<b>Elks Lodge 90 - Kimberley BC</b>		
Infrastructure Upgrade		
This project is an infrastructure upgrade to our lodge. The building, which was constructed in 1948, is in need of maintenance and modernisation as well as replacement of some appliances. This comes in the form of flooring replacement, an electrical safety upgrade for our kitchen to mitigate risk of fire and flooding and the replacement of locks for our doors.		
	City of Kimberley	\$21,241.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Family Dynamix</b>		
Valley Wide Youth Programs		
<p>Our Objective is to offer programs throughout the entire Columbia Valley for youth grade 6-12. Once a month we will run an activity in Radium, Fairmont, Windermere and Edgewater. With this program we will offer a variety of Art, Games night, Gym night, hiking, outdoor survival skills and other activities guided by youth input. Through the youth nights the teens will get an opportunity to get to network and know different youth and supports in their own Community.</p> <p>In Canal Flats we have a youth space available where they can feel comfortable and safe to visit. It is available every Thursday 4-8pm for youth to participate in activities, network and connect with supports.</p> <p>We will have two youth facilitators available for each youth activity to ensure safety protocols are in place.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$1,500.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$5,840.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,500.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,500.00
	Electoral Area G	\$1,500.00
		<u>\$11,840.00</u>
<b>Fernie Child Care Society</b>		
Movement in the Early Years		
<p>Fernie Child Care Society would like to increase our gross motor equipment at our facility. We would want to purchase small equipment that would support gross motor development of children aged 10 months-5 years old. Having gross motor equipment will allow children to participate in activities that promotes movement which is extremely important to their development. We will achieve this by purchasing equipment such as climbing mats, basketballs and nets, soccer balls and nets, and skipping ropes.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$4,284.00
<b>Fernie Citizens Housing Society</b>		
Replacement of Front Entrance Glass Doors, Opener and Windows		
<p>The current aluminum storefront doors, automatic opening mechanism, and windows at the entrance of the Trinity Lodge building need to be replaced. They have outlived their predicted lifespan by 10+ years. The replacement will increase energy efficiency and resident comfort. It will also alleviate the society with the financial burden of repairing the aging infrastructure. This will be achieved by contracting the project out.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$20,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$20,000.00
		<u>\$40,000.00</u>



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<b>Fernie Freestyle Ski and Snowboard Club</b>		
Fernie Freestyle Radio Purchase		
To source and purchase twenty (20) two-way programmable radios for Fernie Freestyle Ski and Snowboard Club coach use starting in the 2024-2025 ski season.		
The radios will be purchased through SparComm. They have identified the Kenwood MX-1200 radio as the most appropriate for our needs.		
Currently, we have 20 coaches that rely primarily on personal cell phones for communication with with each other, as well as with Fernie Alpine Resort operations and ski patrol. This is an issue as there are frequent battery problems, phones not overly accessible while on the person, etc. We aim to purchase the required number of radios to ensure that coaches are able to provide the safest ski experience possible for participants, families, and the ski hill itself.		
	City of Fernie	\$3,840.00
	Electoral Area A	\$2,500.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,700.00
		<u>\$8,040.00</u>
<b>Fernie Heritage Cemetery Restoration Society</b>		
Researching the Life and Times of the 923 Internees of Section D		
Clean 923 grave sites in Section D.		
Photograph new GPS pictures in Section D for 923		
Write a narrative about the life and times of the internees in Section D.		
Make video using the narrative to put on the web sites (fernierheritagecemetery.com) and (ourfernier.ca)		
	City of Fernie	\$1,250.00
	Electoral Area A	\$1,250.00
	Electoral Area B	\$2,500.00
		<u>\$5,000.00</u>
<b>Fernie Heritage Trust Society</b>		
Knox Concert Series Programming		
This grant funding will support and develop our annual music programming. Primarily supporting artist/musician fees, we will be able to bring exceptional concerts to Knox on 2nd delighting Elk Valley audiences. Knox concert series programming will be curated to represent a broad range of music genres.		
	City of Fernie	\$8,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$2,000.00
		<u>\$10,000.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Fernie Pets Society</b>		
Elk Valley Spay Neuter Incentive Program (SNIP)		
This program provides subsidies to area residents who require financial assistance in order to spay or neuter their cats. Approved applicants pay a nominal fee of \$50 per cat with the remainder of the costs covered by the Society. The program also covers the full cost of spay & neutering surgeries and other veterinary fees for feral cats in order to reduce the unwanted cat population.		
	City of Fernie	\$900.00
	District of Elkford	\$300.00
	District of Sparwood	\$900.00
	Electoral Area A	\$900.00
		<u>\$3,000.00</u>
<b>Fernie Pets Society</b>		
Railyard Dog Park Play Equipment		
The project will design the dog park agility area and install equipment that creates a safe play area for dogs of all sizes. Play equipment may be purchased or manufactured using local building materials.		
	City of Fernie	\$18,000.00
<b>Fernie Pride Society</b>		
Elk Valley Pride Festival		
The 8th Annual Elk Valley Pride Festival is a 5-day celebration of diversity, inclusion, and Pride for 2SLGBTQ+ individuals and allies and takes place primarily in Fernie, BC. The 8th annual celebration is scheduled for September 18-22, 2024 and will feature cultural events for all ages, educational opportunities, a queer arts day, and a myriad of other events.		
The Elk Valley Pride Festival format in 2024 will again be a hybrid one. The Festival has demonstrated growth year-to-year and in 2021, the growth allowed us to create an exciting new component; Spectrum Queer Arts Day. Spectrum has become a cornerstone of the Festival and features live music, refreshment garden, info booths, a skateboard jam, and an art market.		
In addition, 95% of Festival events are free to attend, take place only in universally accessible venues, and are appropriate for people of all-ages. We work directly with local suppliers as much as we can and value our community partnerships and the efforts they invest for marginalized communities.		
	City of Fernie	\$7,500.00
	District of Elkford	\$1,500.00
	District of Sparwood	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area A	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$2,000.00
		<u>\$15,000.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Fernie Trails Alliance Association</b>		
Ancient Cottonwood Signage		
<p>Last year the Fernie Trails Alliance (FTA) had the opportunity to take over the management the Ancient Cottonwood Trail from the Elk River Alliance (ERA). The ERA was unable to manage the trail due to lack of funds. The FTA worked diligently with the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) to have the land use agreement enacted. Once the FTA had the land use agreement in place the FTA then met with the Conservation Officers at NCC and a local Arborist to begin the work to the make the trail safe to users again. Once the high danger trees were assessed and mediated the FTA Trail Crew began working on clearing brush, repairing bridges and fences. Now that the trail is safe and open the signage on this trail was about 15 years old and in disrepair. The FTA is asking for funding to support the upgrading of signage and repairing of bridges in this much loved family friendly trail.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$3,955.00
	Electoral Area A	\$3,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$3,000.00
		<u>\$9,955.00</u>

### **Fernie and District Arts Council**

#### Senior Teen Art Program

The project will be a program of art activities aimed at senior teenagers offering them to participate and engage in artistic and community activities. The activities will be free or low cost to provide a barrier free environment to encourage creativity and engagement with this youth demographic. The arts activities will be led and overseen by professional artists and instructors who will provide educational support and sharing of knowledge and skills. These artists and instructors have experience working with teens and connecting with them. We will offer 1-2 sessions a month during term time Sept 2024-May 2025 with different art forms each time being the focus such as pottery, printmaking, fibre arts, drawing, painting plus more. We will get the teens input on what they would like to focus on and engage artists that reflect this. Most sessions will be held at The Arts Station as we have the facilities to offer most art forms as well as an inviting environment for the teens. We would provide all materials for the sessions and anything else that was needed.

City of Fernie	\$3,300.00
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<b>Fisher Peak Performing Artists Society</b>		
Summer Sounds 2024/25		
<p>Summer Sounds 2024 will present live, free family-friendly music concerts, featuring local and regional performing artists on the following Thursdays: July 4, 11, 18, 25; Aug. 1, 8, 15, 29; and also Saturday, Aug. 24. 9 shows total will be presented in Rotary Park, Cranbrook. Each show will be comprised of 2-3 acts, and will include special features such as dance demonstrations, DJ's, and youth spotlights. A beer garden operated by Fisher Peak Brewing and food vendors will also be present. Summer Sounds historically attracts 500 patrons weekly, providing revitalization to the downtown core, attracting residents and tourists. This project is achieved through collaboration with the City of Cranbrook, Cranbrook Rotary Clubs, and many sponsors and members. The program is delivered by a hard working volunteer Board of Directors and dedicated volunteers. We now enter our 11th season and FPPAS has demonstrated capacity and resilience in providing opportunities to local and regional performing artists. The core business has been to provide great concerts free of charge to the public in order to be as inclusive as possible. This proposal also includes the purchase of sound and light components, which will improve the sound quality, visual appeal and safety in Rotary Park. This equipment will be utilized for Summer Sounds in 2024, and for years to come for free live events.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$26,927.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$27,927.00</u>
<b>Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC</b>		
Kootenay Trout Hatchery Outreach Programs 2024-25		
<p>The Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC is a non-profit Society seeking funding for Outreach Programs based out of The Kootenay Trout Hatchery and associated Visitor Centre and Community Fishing Pond (KTH) in Electoral Area C, as well as surrounding communities such as Cranbrook, Kimberley, and Jaffray. The Kootenay Trout Hatchery is a tremendously valuable resource for the public; particularly residents as well as visitors to the area with nearly 15,000 visitors and over 5,000 Outreach Program participants annually. Programs offered include Learn to Fish; a program designed to introduce participants to sustainable recreational fishing practices as well as Environmental Stewardship Programs, Sturgeon Conservation Educational Programs and Hatchery Tours. Seasonal Outreach Instructors (primarily university students) will be hired, and trained on program delivery. These Instructors will deliver the programs, tours, as well as engage with drop-in visitors at the facility.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$12,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$46,610.00
		<u>\$68,610.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Friends of Lake Koocanusa Society</b>		
Waldo Cove 2024 Improvements		
2024 Capital Improvements. With the addition of a new tenure to the park and increased all season traffic, we have a number of capital improvements we need to make.		
1) We require an additional sign explaining the need to reduce traffic during the curlew nesting season. This is required to respect FOLKS commitment to protect the Curlew species.		
2) The road requires widening and two trees require removal for public safety near the north beach.		
3) We require Wake Buoys or signs to reduce motor boat speeds in the cove. This is required to improve the safety of swimmers, paddle boarders, kayakers and others.		
	Electoral Area B	\$9,700.00
<b>Friends of the Cranbrook Public Library</b>		
World of Curiosities!		
World of Curiosities!		
The Summer Reading Club's theme, "World of Curiosities" will stimulate a large section of Cranbrook and Area C's school children to continue their literacy journey over the summer months. This incentive program helps kids build their confidence in reading, while having fun and building stronger connections with their public library over the summer months. Studies continue to show that children attending the Summer Reading Club do better in school in the fall.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$7,788.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,947.00
		<u>\$9,735.00</u>
<b>Ghostrider Adventure Camp Foundation</b>		
Ghostrider Adventure Camp		
The Ghostrider Adventure Camp provides a one week residential program for the children of the Elk Valley who do not have the opportunity to experience a week away at camp due to their home social environment. We offer a range of activities including rafting, hiking, crafts, survival skills, canoeing to name a few. All of our activities are designed to increase self esteem, self- reliance and develop stronger social skills. This year we hope to raise \$30000 to able to accommodate 36 kids aged 8-12yrs and 6 teens in our leadership training program all from the Elk Valley.		
	City of Fernie	\$1,400.00
	District of Elkford	\$1,400.00
	District of Sparwood	\$1,400.00
	Electoral Area A	\$1,400.00
	Electoral Area B	\$1,400.00
		<u>\$7,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Groundswell Network Society</b>		
Community Sustainable Gardening Initiative		
<p>As a living classroom equipped with fully functioning permaculture market gardens, Green-energy Greenhouse, and community rental Gardens, we endeavours to teach the community how to garden sustainably. Groundswell had over 1000 student visits to our Mt Nelson Community Gardens, Greenhouse and Market garden in 2023 where they learned about soil, amendments, seeding times, watering, harvesting and sharing the produce with the Food Bank. Back in the class the students learned about starting seeds indoors, transplanting and the care of young plants. As the year progressed we had visits from these same students to the greenhouse to learn about our market growing program. To see the growth of tomatoes, peppers and a large variety of greens and herbs. We engage volunteers and adults in additional gardening programs which include visits to local farms and functioning gardens where they can learn from the experts, as well as honing their skills planting building greenhouses, learning about biological controls, water conservation technics etc... Our 2024 program is expanding as more schools want to have the ability to grow their own food and learn the value of having food in your own backyard. As well we have adult gardening workshops, tours and talks to help new gardener and established gardeners learn more about sustainable gardening practices.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$500.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,500.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,250.00
	Electoral Area G	\$1,250.00
		<u>\$5,500.00</u>

### Headwaters Arts Society

#### Workshop and Members Art Show

Members of Headwaters Art Society wish to continue learning from professional artists who are willing to share their knowledge and expertise in areas that help our members to grow as artists, entrepreneurs and leaders in their crafts. It is our desire to, once again, host an artist to present a day/weekend workshop that we will advertise and welcome all community members alike to join.

The second part of our project is to hold an art show so that we may showcase the many talented artists in our Village and surrounding area.

Village of Canal Flats	\$1,500.00
Electoral Area F	\$125.00
	<u>\$1,625.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Heart Of The Mountain Foundation</b>		
Heart of the Mountain - Retreats		
We are putting on multiple healing retreats with different focuses and educational experiences, the fall months of 2024.		
The intension is to put on a minimum of 4 retreats. These are 3 days of full immersion retreats where the patrons are guided through a weekend of movement classes, group healing and conversational sessions, guided meditation walks, practitioner sessions they have not tried (different types of massage, reiki, sound healing, reflexology, theta healing, breathwork, etc.), very healthy food, and relaxed accommodation to promote decompression. These weekends are facilitated to experience alternative methods of healing, allow for full relaxation, and have conversations with the practitioners, facilitators and other patrons about what they are experiences, what they have learned and additional ideas they have yet to try.		
The idea of the project is not only to provide them experiences through the weekend, but also teach them tools to take home and use in their daily lives and create a community where they can continue to openly exchange ideas, information and understanding about all aspects of personal wellness.		
We have 2 facilitators as well as numerous registered practitioners from the area that are scheduled throughout the weekend. We also use local catering, accommodations and products to provide for the weekend.		
	City of Kimberley	\$7,500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,500.00
		<u>\$10,000.00</u>

### Hospice Society of the Columbia Valley

#### Hospital Volunteer Visits

Our community Hospital serves a diverse population facing various chronic/life limiting illnesses and end-of-life challenges. Hospitalization often brings stress and emotional strain to patients and their families. Research demonstrates that volunteer visits have a significant positive impact on patients and overall hospital experience (National Institutes of Health, de Sandes-Guimares, March 2023). Volunteers provide emotional support, companionship, and assistance with non-medical needs, fostering a more comforting and conducive environment. This project aims at developing and offering hospital visits from the Hospice Society volunteers. After discussions with the Home Care Nurses, it was confirmed that currently, there is no volunteer visiting program and that too often, patients are left alone because staff do not have the time to spend time with their patients. This project will be achieved by developing hospital visiting guidelines in collaboration with the hospital nurses, and by training volunteers interested in hospital visitation.

District of Invermere	\$5,200.00
Village of Canal Flats	\$3,344.50
Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$5,200.00
Electoral Area F	\$5,200.00
Electoral Area G	\$3,344.50
	<u>\$22,289.00</u>



## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Invermere Companion Animal Network</b>		
Window Replacement		
<p>The project is to replace the windows to allow for proper sealing, offering a decrease to the drafts and moisture build up. The current windows I believe are original and the house is over 100 years old. Proper windows would seal the drafts and could be opened to allow better ventilation in the house for our volunteers and the cats in our care.</p>		
	Electoral Area F	\$18,910.50
<b>Invermere Judo Club</b>		
Certified Coaches Travel Costs & Training for Upcoming Coaches		
<p>This project is to cover all associated costs for travel of the Invermere Judo clubs NCCP certified coaches and upcoming training of qualified judoka for coaching certification. We live in a rural area and costs associated with keeping our coaches certified as well as sending certified coaches to competition and training is costly. All our coaches are volunteers and as a club we try to ensure that they don't incur any expenses associated with traveling for competition or certification requirements. We will achieve being able to cover all travel costs associated with competition and training through funding such as grants, fundraising and club membership.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$4,061.33
	Electoral Area F	\$4,061.33
	Electoral Area G	\$4,061.34
		<u>\$12,184.00</u>
<b>Key City Gymnastics Club</b>		
Gymnastics Equipment Replacement		
<p><b>Gymnastics Equipment Replacement Project</b>          Providing safe, reliable, quality gymnastics equipment is a priority and essential to the safety and learning ability of all participants and members of Key City Gymnastics Club (KCGC).          KCGC provides classes and learning opportunities to over 2000 participants each year through pre-school, recreational, competitive, trampoline and free running gymnastics classes; adaptive needs programs and private lessons; Seniors Can Move classes; cross-training; educational partnerships which support school programs; public access programs such as birthday parties; child, youth, adult and family drop-in opportunities, and camp programs which provide a full day of gymnastics, games, crafts and fun anytime school is out.          With high and rising costs of specialized gymnastics equipment, we endeavor to purchase and replace equipment on a rotational basis. With the high-volume equipment usage, it is a financial challenge to keep up with the purchases and replacements required to run our programs.          We will be kicking off a fundraising campaign to raise the funds required to replace equipment that is showing signs of wear and tear and/or has reached the end of its maximum use recommendation. The campaign, along with fundraising opportunities will be posted on our website and social media platforms along with photos and a tracking method to monitor how close we are to achieving our goal.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$21,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$6,849.00
		<u>\$27,849.00</u>



## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Key City Theatre Society</b>		
Ed Fest 2024		
<p>The 2024 edition of Ed Fest in Cranbrook, BC, is a multi-day celebration of creativity and expression, culminating on September 6th and 7th at Rotary Park. This festival is designed to engage the community through a diverse array of performances, workshops, and activities suitable for all ages, with the aim of fostering an appreciation for various forms of art, including music, dance, literature, theatre, and more. The project is a collaborative effort by local artists, not for profits, and community members committed to creating a unique and memorable experience for attendees.</p> <p>The festival is named after Ed the Elephant, who famously escaped from a traveling circus in Cranbrook nearly a century ago, and the event embraces a circus escape theme. Attendees are encouraged to wear carnival costumes to enhance the festive atmosphere. The Cranbrook History Centre will provide insight into Ed's story during the festival. Key City Theatre will be organizing interactive live performances alongside Fisher Peak Performing Artists who will be delivering two days of Music concerts, and Cranbrook Arts will organize art workshops and installations. Additionally, an artisan market will be hosted in partnership with the Cranbrook Farmer's Market.</p> <p>Ed Fest is inclusive and open to everyone, free of charge, and aims to be a platform where creativity, music, art, and community spirit are celebrated without barriers.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$9,500.00
	City of Kimberley	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$4,500.00
		<u>\$15,000.00</u>

### Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64

#### Art Door Pride

Centre 64 requires "use-focussed" diagrams on their washrooms. As an art centre we also have the opportunity to create fun painted doors that can open conversations.

Centre 64 has five bathrooms, one womens, one mens, two gender neutral single stall, and a handicapped, all of which are marked with traditional male/female gender signage. The signage is not inclusive and safe for all genders. For example, the current downstairs bathroom designated as "Men" has urinals and stalls. The downstairs bathroom currently designated as "Woman" has only individual stalls. Painting what is actually inside the doors on the outside door would provide accommodation through a small change to meet the needs of the local community. The upstairs bathrooms are all individual stalls and can be completely gender neutral, as is the handicapped bathroom.

City of Kimberley	\$2,000.00
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## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64</b>		
Creative Maker's Space		
<p>By procuring specialty furniture a Creative Maker's Space can be created in the dance studio, an area that is currently underutilised in Centre 64. Haskell Education designs makersspace furniture that works perfectly for Centre 64 to create a Creative Maker's Space. The items would be procured from their Canadian Educational distributor. The requirements to achieve a Creative Maker's Space include having everything mobile, in order that it can be moved to the side to put up the portable stage or make the space open and available for dance. The Creative Maker's Space would require storage, both for the participants and instructors so that it can facilitate longer programming (ie: a week-end, week-long course, or a 6-8-week summer program). The storage unit has a specialty backing for teaching, planning, and creation. The Creative Maker's Space will also require areas for actually making the art projects on the retractable butcher block table tops. The Creative Maker's Space will allow for year-round project programming for a wide variety of art activities for everyone in the Kimberley area.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$22,076.00
	Electoral Area C	\$10,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$10,000.00
		<u>\$42,076.00</u>

### Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64

#### Kimberley First Saturday 2024

Kimberley First Saturday (KFS) is a FREE one-day festival occurring between July and October that promotes the appreciation of arts, culture, and heritage. It provides a focal point for community to gather, interact, appreciate, and experience a variety of artistic endeavours. Launched in 2013, KFS has become a main stay of the summer arts scene in Kimberley and area. KFS includes music, a wide arrange of artistic workshops and demonstrations that are interactive and participatory for all age ranges, again free of charge. There is both a focus on fostering early engagement in creativity through children's activities and a space just for adults to get explore their creative side. It is a venue for local artists and crafters to display and sell their work, sometimes for the first time. KFS relies heavily on community partnerships and volunteer support for its success. Leveraging these partnerships and our volunteers has been the key to our success. The volunteer led committee of KFS engages in continual fundraising activities to ensure that we can continue to offer an accessible, free and family-friendly event.

City of Kimberley	\$5,500.00
Electoral Area E	\$1,500.00
	<u>\$7,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64</b>		
Kimberley Kaleidoscope 2024		
Kimberley Kaleidoscope Festival has provided diverse visual, performing, and literary arts for the community since 2014		
Plans include; Adjudicated Regional Fine Art Exhibit with awards presentation in Centre Gallery followed by a live Jazz evening		
A variety of workshops including; painting, collage making, writing, ukulele, weaving		
Some workshops will be organized specifically for families and teens		
Family performance in the theatre featuring Sandra Lamouche, a Native Hoop Dancer, from the Cree Nation, who is also a storyteller and author of a children's book		
She will be accompanied by an indigenous drummer		
Other performers include Shayna Jones, traditional folklore storyteller and dancer, as well as Carly's Angels, Drag Queen performers from Calgary		
Palate Pleaser which encourages involvement of local restaurants will also return to the Festival		
	City of Kimberley	\$5,300.00
<b>Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64</b>		
Pride at Centre 64		
Centre 64's 2SLGBTQIA+ Pride Month project is to hire two Drag Queens to facilitate two days of programming for Centre 64. The aim is to present diversity of gender expression and identity, build acceptance, and develop creativity in personal expression through celebrating the Art of Drag.		
The projects are still being established but will be focused on education in presenting gender diversity, identity, and expression through art. All programming will be family inclusive. One project may be to use the Art of Drag for storytelling in art and building personal narratives. Interactive performances in the Art Gallery are being designed to integrate the local community with personal expression through visual elements. The Kimberley Art Council is also looking at hosting a stage performance and/or lecture.		
	City of Kimberley	\$2,800.00
	Electoral Area C	\$200.00
	Electoral Area E	\$400.00
		<hr/> \$3,400.00
<b>Kimberley BC Senior Association</b>		
Kimberley BC Seniors - Line Dancing Classes		
A qualified instructor with be obtained to facilitate dance classes geared to seniors. The project goal is to provide seniors in our community with an opportunity to gather and enjoy fellowship through music and dance.		
	City of Kimberley	\$3,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Disabled Skiers Association</b>		
Replacement of Alpine Ski Racing Downhill Gates and Panels		
Equipment used in ski racing must be homologated or approved by the world governing body of FIS (Federation Internationale de Ski Alpin) in accordance with safety standards established by this organization. As a lot of the equipment that was originally purchased as part of the legacy grant has or will be expiring or not meeting new safety standards this equipment must be updated and replaced with equipment which meets new safety standards. In this case we would be purchasing "High-Visibility" gates and panels to replace existing gates and panels. The proposed gates and panels are newly homologated and should be valid for the approximately the next 10 years.		
	City of Kimberley	\$12,500.00
<b>Kimberley Health Centre Society</b>		
Building Code and Efficiency Upgrades for Non-Profit Office Space		
The Health Centre Society has been approached by the Ktunaxa Kinbasket Child and Family Services Society requesting space for an office in our building in proximity to other health and social services. The only space we have available is a vacant office on the lower floor that does not meet current building codes for fire safety, lighting and ventilation. We are seeking funding to help cover the costs of improvements so that the space will be safe and useable by the KKCFS.		
	City of Kimberley	\$9,000.00
<b>Kimberley Health-Care Auxiliary</b>		
Kimberley Thrift Store Lift Installation and Upgrades		
This project will assist the Kimberley Health-Care Auxiliary in continuing with renovations to the lower level of the Kimberley Thrift Shop. The current plan is to continue with the finishing of the lower level, and installation of a lift that will transport goods up and down in a safe manner. The installation of the lift will be completed by Seymour Engineering Ltd., and meet the requirements of Technical Safety BC-Elevating Division		
	City of Cranbrook	\$24,000.00
	City of Fernie	\$10,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$63,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$11,641.00
	Electoral Area C	\$5,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$5,000.00
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		\$118,641.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Helping Hands Food Bank</b>		
Meeting and Presentation Room Development		
<p>The project involves the development of an unfinished room on the second floor of the food bank into a meeting room with presentation and teaching capabilities. This will serve the food bank operations and events, while presenting new opportunities to expand services and offer new programs to our food bank clients and the potentially the community at large. At about 400 square feet, it is estimated this space would comfortably fit 12 people with tables, more without tables. This will be achieved by purchasing business equipment and having a volunteer contractor install flooring, prepare and paint the walls and ceiling along with potential minor electrical modifications. This will be followed by the installation of in kind business tables and chairs, a wall mounted large retractable presentation screen, a wall mounted dry erase white board and a business quality projector. Once completed the food bank would be able to use the space for its own business and be able to explore hosting other community gatherings.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$4,054.00
<b>Kimberley Nature Park Society</b>		
Expansion of Wildlife Cameras and Trail Counters for Kimberley Nature Park		
<p>We would like to expand our wildlife camera and trail counter project in the Kimberley Nature Park. The cameras will help us establish baseline data on wildlife within the park and to help fulfill our mandate of conservation and education. It will help us identify types of wildlife, which parts of the park the wildlife is using and an indication of abundance. The trail counters will help us track the human usage of the park, as well as park entrances and trails are used. The counters will also help to determine the proportion of bike vs foot traffic in the park. It will also help us track usage changes over time and provide some baseline data to help us in a broader park ecological and climate change assessment planned in the coming years.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$2,598.00
<b>Kimberley Nordic Club</b>		
Child and Youth Ski Equipment		
<p>We are requesting funding support to purchase 15 new sets of rental equipment for our growing and extremely popular ski program, Track Attack. This program is the next step after Jack Rabbits in the provincial Skill Development Program model that is used by all Nordic ski clubs in BC. As kids learn the basics of skiing and graduate from the Jack Rabbits program, the next step is Track Attack, which consists of kids aged 9-12. This is the level where kids are introduced to skate skiing, offseason roller skiing, adventure skiing, team building activities, nutrition, equipment preparation/maintenance, and friendly competition. This foundational program introduces kids to all aspects of the sport, encouraging them to stay involved with the sport as they age and embrace it as a fun, life-long winter activity.</p>		
<p>The project will eliminate participation barriers by providing low-cost options for children to participate in the sport. There are considerable equipment fees for families that wish to participate in the sport of cross country skiing. To purchase all the required new equipment, it would cost each child approximately \$1200. The club strives to eliminate this barrier by providing seasonal rentals for \$200 per participant. This allows families to stay involved with the sport without purchasing expensive new equipment each season.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$13,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Pride Society</b>		
Kimberley Pridefest		
<p>Our foundational Pride event is the Pridefest in the Park, which we are planning for the weekend of June 21-23, 2024. The programming is in development but is anticipated to include an evening celebration of dance and drag entertainers, possibly a 2SLGBTQIA+ content film night or feature events at participating local businesses exhibiting 2SLGBTQIA+ artists, and a family friendly event at Rotary Park featuring community BBQ, local business vendors, and games and fun for all ages.</p> <p>Our goal is to build on the success we had for our 2023 Pridefest in the Park and Pride Dance, providing similar and new programming, with improved amenities and collaboration with local businesses, and possibly a parade, which is a celebration pillar of Pride events all over the world.</p> <p>We estimate the event attendance will be &gt;200 people of all ages.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$5,500.00
<b>Kimberley Public Library</b>		
Public Access Computer Update		
<p>This grant application is for a project to install new public computers at the Kimberley Public Library. The project aims to improve the digital literacy and access of the library patrons, especially those who are low-income, elderly, or have disabilities. The project will provide 8 new desktop computers for patron's in-library use, along with software, peripherals. The project will be achieved by ordering and installing the computers in the library</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$4,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$2,000.00
		<u>\$6,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Skating Club</b>		
Kimberley Skating Club Ice Show		
<p>The Kimberley Skating Club's annual ice show is a transformative project aimed at bringing the community together through a captivating display of the skaters' talents. This event provides an opportunity for skaters to showcase their skills to friends, family, and the community, fostering a sense of pride and accomplishment. The inclusive nature of the show is emphasized by making it affordable for families, with entry by donation, ensuring that socio-economic barriers do not hinder community participation.</p> <p>To achieve the project's success, skaters and coaches collaborate closely, working together to bring the show to life. This shared vision enhances the skaters' performance skills and also strengthens the sense of camaraderie within the club. One of the results of the show is an increase in participation in the club by showcasing the skaters' achievements and creating a sense of belonging within the community. With 500 attendees in 2023, the ice show serves as a powerful platform to demonstrate the strength and capabilities of female participants, reinforcing the importance of gender equality and empowerment.</p> <p>Funds raised from the show contribute to offsetting programming costs, ensuring that ongoing activities remain affordable for participants. By combining entertainment, community engagement, and fundraising, the Kimberley Skating Club's annual ice show embodies the club's commitment to promoting skating, fostering community connections, and supporting the development of its members.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$2,850.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$4,850.00</u>

### **Kimberley Trails Society** **Sponsoring: Friends of Lois Creek**

#### Power Plateau Trail Improvement and Extension

A proposed improvement and extension to the existing Power Plateau trail in Lois Creek Trails will provide users with a new route to access the Legion Ridge trails including Barts, Tightly Whitey, Totem and Legion Ridge. The project is to improve an existing section of the Power Plateau trail and to build a new trail crossing the Powerline trail at the west end above a proposed wetland area. This will relieve foot and bike traffic pressure on the Powerline trail where it is thick with invasive plants including Spotted Knapweed and Blueweed. When completed, the project should help to reduce the spread of invasive plants further into the trail system. The new route will be constructed by Kimberley Trails Society to a gentle "stroller-grade" standard similar to the popular Power Down and Power Up trails built by KTS (with assistance from Wildsight crews) last year, further enhancing access to Lois Creek Trails for families with young children. Trail users currently climb the Legion Ridge escarpment at a 13 to 15% grade. The new alignment (in red on the attached map) will reduce that grade to about 8%. The concept line includes about 500m of improved trail (Power Plateau) and 650m of new trail (not yet named).

City of Kimberley	\$10,000.00
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## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Trails Society</b>		
Round the Mountain Promotional Video		
<p>As part of this years Round the Mountain festival we would like to hire a local videographer to create a short video documentary celebrating why this event is so special, how it has (and continues) to benefit our local community and celebrate the volunteers, past and present that have put so much passion and energy into the event. The dream for the project is to finish with a 10 minute video containing event day footage, interviews celebrating longstanding volunteers, the people that had the vision to create this event and how the event has benefited Kimberley trail users for over a decade. This will be accompanied by several shorter reels that can be used to promote the event and inspire a new generation of participants and volunteers through social media. We are seeking grant support specifically for this part of our event so that money raised through registrations can still be used to benefit the local community by supporting trail maintenance and our partner organisations that help deliver the event.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$3,750.00
	Electoral Area E	\$3,750.00
		<u>\$7,500.00</u>
<b>Kimberley Trails Society</b>		
Trail Crew Tool and Equipment Purchase		
<p>Our trail crew tool and equipment purchase project will see us purchasing new trail building and trail maintenance tools primarily for our paid trail crew but also for volunteers that help maintain our trails. Dedicating resources for trail maintenance is essential for us to maintain trails, trail features and provide accurate way finding signage for all trail users.</p> <p>Some of the needs we have identified include buying hand tools that will not only be used on a daily basis by our trail crew, but also for volunteer use at our volunteer trail work parties. We will purchase a pair of electric chainsaws that are better for the environment than the gas powered ones we currently operate. Other key wish list items include heavy duty work packs for the crew to transport equipment to the work site, a nordic grooming attachment for our snow dogs to boost our winter grooming program for nordic skiers and trail cameras that will help us better allocate resources and gain greater insight to user groups, trail usage/type and required maintenance efforts. Trail counters will be used to inform KTS and its partners about trail usage to inform future development and maintenance decisions.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$6,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$3,336.00
		<u>\$9,336.00</u>



## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kimberley Wellness Foundation</b>		
Improved Refrigeration		
<p>The purchase and installation of a new sliding glass door cooler is needed to replace the older unit currently onsite. For effective and safe storage of perishable foods we receive daily, we require 2 double-door coolers. Glass doors enable partner agencies accessing food for clients to clearly and easily see what food is available. We currently have 2 sliding glass coolers in use. One is reliable, purchased new in 2023. The 2nd is a previously used donation, in use at our facility for 5 years. It is increasingly unreliable, with unpredictable changes in temperature happening at higher frequency. Replacing this unit will eliminate food waste due to fluctuating temperatures, ranging from freezing to unacceptably warm, and leading to loss of precious food resources for our vulnerable community members.</p> <p>Upon acquisition of funds to purchase a new cooler, we will order and install it in our facility, disposing of the older unit in the most environmentally conscious way.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$5,000.00
<b>Kimberley Wellness Foundation</b>		
<b>Sponsoring: S.W.I.M. (Seniors Wellness in Motion)</b>		
S.W.I.M. (Seniors Wellness in Motions)		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Offer healthy and enjoyable aquatic exercise programs for the more frail and isolated and medically challenged seniors of our area.</li> <li>2. To see isolated and medically challenged seniors maintain their mobility, self-esteem, mental awareness and confidence.</li> <li>3. To offer socialization with fellow participants and volunteers, following exercise programs.</li> <li>4. During periods when the pool is closed, maintain contact and socialization with seniors by conducting home visits and/or arrangements trips to local restaurants.</li> </ol>		
	City of Kimberley	\$3,500.00
	Electoral Area E	\$500.00
		<hr/> \$4,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Kootenay East Soccer Association</b>		
KESA Quality Programming and Coaching		
<p>KESA obtained a Member Association Level 1 with Canada Soccer in 2023. This is a recognition of the quality of KESA's programming and a commitment to hold our coaches and programs to a higher standard. KESA will purchase two portable video systems to help our REP teams improve by recording games/practices and replaying them back to learn and grow as players/team. Video is needed for graduating players to apply for soccer scholarships to Colleges/Universities when they are trying to get on a post secondary soccer team. This video system will aid in coach education by giving the chance to video and send out drills as well as aid in coach evaluations. Being a Canada Soccer Member Association Level 1, we are committed to providing coach education. This year we will run a Learn to Train and Fundamentals Soccer course. These at no cost to our volunteer coaches. KESA runs a Ref course yearly at no cost to our members. KESA works hard at keeping costs down for our programs for our families by covering costs of Tournament fees, Field Rentals, and Jerseys kits for house players. KESA is looking to order a Soccer Ball Launcher to provide REP/DEV teams advanced skill development and goalies more precise training.</p>		
	Electoral Area E	\$5,500.00
	City of Cranbrook	\$25,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$10,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$9,500.00
		<u>\$50,000.00</u>

### **Kootenay Livestock Association**

#### Kids Learning Agriculture

An Ag Education Program for Kindergarten to Grade 12 students within the Kootenay basin. While the broad scope of this program is fundamental agriculture knowledge and understanding the basics of where food comes from, the focus of the program is Kootenay basin production agriculture. This program consists of many different learning and connection opportunities for students such as field trips, industry speakers, lesson packages and education for teachers and in class learning opportunities - science experiments and hands on learning opportunities. Knowing and understanding where food comes from, what food comes from our local area, how it is grown, processed and marketed as well as the environmental impacts are the main focus of this program. This program allows a connection from producers to students. With only 1.6% of Canada's population being involved in agriculture it is an area of interest and excitement for most students. The Kootenay Livestock Association holds education as one of it's top priorities.

City of Cranbrook	\$4,000.00
City of Kimberley	\$3,000.00
Village of Canal Flats	\$500.00
Electoral Area B	\$500.00
Electoral Area C	\$1,400.00
Electoral Area E	\$500.00
Electoral Area F	\$100.00
	<u>\$10,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Ktunaxa/Kinbasket Child and Family Service Society</b>		
Foundry East Kootenay Food and Menstrual Product Pantry		
<p>Foundry East Kootenay is a part of a province-wide network of integrated and inclusive health and social services for youth aged 12-24 and their caregivers. Core services include physical health, mental health, substance use support, social services, peer support, and e-health services. Foundry East Kootenay serves all youth and families in the Kootenay region - Indigenous, 2SLGBTQ+, youth with disabilities, new Canadians and many more. The building, located close to schools and the downtown core, makes for an ideal space for at-risk youth to access vital services.</p> <p>Through the food and menstrual product pantry program, youth will have safe access to food and menstrual products (tampons, pads, etc.) in a judgement-free space. With increased economic pressures, more youth are at-risk or experiencing food insecurity and do not have access to menstrual supplies. Food insecurity and a lack of period products has profound impacts on education, employment and overall wellness. The pantry at Foundry East Kootenay will ensure any youth or family member accessing the space can access the products they need, when they need it - this helps to reduce challenges youth may be facing in their lives.</p> <p>Foundry East Kootenay staff will ensure the pantry remains fully stocked and will work with youth and families to identify areas of improvement.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$18,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$6,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$4,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$2,000.00
		<u>\$30,000.00</u>

### Lake Windermere District Lions Club

#### Lake Windermere District Lions Campground - Second Washroom

The Lake Windermere District Lions Club has built a 48 site Campground south of the Crossroads into Invermere. Phase one is has been completed at a cost of \$750K. The second phase of the Campground will cost \$150K. It includes water & power to 10 additional sites (\$60K), Cookhouse (\$30K), additional site work (\$20K) and second washroom (\$40K).

We are requesting \$20K in the form of a ReDi grant to help build the second washroom. The second washroom will house 3 rooms. Two of the rooms will have a toilet, sink and shower. The third room will have a toilet, bathroom sink, kitchen sink and an on-demand hot water system. The second washroom is necessary as there could be as many as 150 nightly Visitors to the Campground.

District of Invermere	\$10,000.00
Electoral Area F	\$10,000.00
	<u>\$20,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Lazy Lake Environment Association</b>		
<b>Sponsoring: Lazy Lake FireSmart</b>		
Lazy Lake Fire Smart - Fire Suppression Lake Pump and Communication Equipment		
<p>Equipment for Fire Suppression at Lazy Lake. Construction of a fire suppression trailer began last summer with donations and a small DGIA grant. This year we would like to purchase additional equipment that will allow for pumping water out of the lake to suppress fires: 1. High pressure water pump, 2. 400' 1.5" firehose, 3. Rechargeable Ham radios for volunteers to communicate. FireSmart volunteers will purchase the equipment. They will also recruit and train additional volunteers to be able to use the fire suppression trailer and the new high pressure pump system at Lazy Lake if a fire is spotted. The Lazy Lake fire suppression trailer is not about fighting wildfires - it is a way to suppress a small fire from spreading to additional properties. The equipment will be kept near the fire suppression trailer that volunteers will be able to access if a fire occurs.</p>		
	Electoral Area E	\$3,130.00
<b>Living Lakes Canada Society</b>		
Water Monitoring for Local Climate Change Adaptation		
<p>Living Lakes Canada has developed an innovative methodology to gather the data and information necessary to build climate resilience in the Columbia Basin. We are implementing a coordinated water monitoring network that reflects local priorities while also addressing scientific data gaps.</p> <p>In 2022, we implemented this approach in the RDEK within the Columbia-Kootenay Headwaters Hydrologic Region and the Elk River Valley which is part of the Upper Kootenay Hydrologic Region. In 2023 we expanded to the rest of the Upper Kootenay region (map attached). Activities include monitoring of stream flow; water temperature; climate; high elevation ecosystems; groundwater, wetland and lake level; water quality and biodiversity at 42 locations across the RDEK.</p> <p>To support local capacity building and youth engagement in water monitoring and stewardship, we offer community workshops and training on water monitoring protocols, volunteer opportunities, internships and employment opportunities.</p> <p>The monitoring network is capturing critical long-term data to support community and ecosystem resilience in the face of climate disruption. The improved knowledge of our watersheds will support local climate adaptation and water stewardship initiatives.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$3,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$3,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$2,000.00
		<u>\$14,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Mayook Community Association</b>		
Old Mayook School House		
Make maintenance easier and cost efficient		
	Electoral Area C	\$7,450.00
<b>Meant 2B Loved Pet Rescue Society</b>		
M2BL Trap and Release (TNR) Expansion		
<p>Meant 2B Loved Pet Rescue Society's pivotal project aims to enhance and sustain our Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program. Currently M2BL is the sole registered domestic animal rescue conducting this service in the East Kootenay. In 2023, we were involved with well over 200 spays and neuters, with at least half attributed to TNR efforts. However, we are hindered by the absence of suitable recovery spaces for feral cats post-surgery. Managing feral cats demands specialized care, and our few volunteers equipped to provide that care quickly become overloaded.</p> <p>Our project centers on acquiring a dedicated piece of land, providing a location for 30 individual cat containment units. These units will serve as safe havens for feral cats during their recovery period or for kittens rescued from feral environments being treated for health issues. By addressing this critical gap in infrastructure, our organization can substantially improve the efficiency and impact of the TNR program. With the generous support of the ReDi Grants, New Dawn Development, FR Rentals, and skilled volunteers, we anticipate purchasing a plot of land and completing the construction of cat containment units on-site by June 30, 2025. Simultaneously, M2BL will hold a fundraising campaign to fund construction of a small building on the land which can be used to house animals with nowhere else to go for a short term.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$40,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$30,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$2,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area B	\$33,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$45,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$34,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$20,000.00
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		\$206,000.00
<b>Michel Natel Sparwood Heritage Society</b>		
Artifact Storage and Preservation		
<p>Preservation and exhibition of historical records benefits future generations both online and in person tours. These records act as memory aids that allow us to recall, relive and discuss activities and events and to re-communicate information about them at some point in the future. Detailed and accurate archiving using museum collections software, archiving materials for storage and photographs of each item, ensures quick access to artifact information and will assist in developing new and exciting exhibits and refreshing current installations. Also, with the addition of merchandise and record attendance at our museum in 2023, efficient workflow will save time and ensure we are providing quality tours and a meaningful experience for our patrons.</p>		
	Electoral Area A	\$6,300.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Mountain Meadows Golf Club Society</b>		
Refuse Collection Container Replacement		
Install 5 animal proof garbage/recycling containers on Mountain Meadows golf course. This project will allow us to more efficiently deal with garbage and recycle materials as well as preventing wildlife from accessing materials found within. This will be achieved by purchasing 5 "Hide-a-Bag Containers" that will be mounted on concrete pads at 5 locations around the golf course.		
	District of Elkford	\$11,332.00
<b>Moyie Community Association</b>		
Moyie Firehall - Phase 3 Construction		
To complete construction of the Moyie fire hall from the lock-up stage to completion, final building approval and occupancy.		
(Please see attached cover letter for additional information)		
	Electoral Area C	\$53,984.00
<b>North Star Rails to Trails Society</b>		
North Star Rail Trail Enhancement and Improvement		
We have 4 projects this year: invasive species control, repair of benches, clean-up of graffiti and application of reflective tape to crossing gates.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$10,778.55
	City of Kimberley	\$3,836.40
	Electoral Area C	\$6,850.75
	Electoral Area E	\$1,370.30
		<hr/> \$22,836.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Northern BC Friends of Children - East Kootenay Branch</b>		
East Kootenay Family Support		
The East Kootenay Family Support Project will assist families travelling to access necessary medical care for their ill or injured child. We provide fuel, food, and accommodations to families who must leave their home community along with emotional support and access to other agencies.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$11,000.00
	City of Kimberley	\$4,000.00
	District of Elkford	\$500.00
	Electoral Area A	\$500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$500.00
		<hr/> \$17,500.00

### Original Goat Production Society

#### Dirtbag Festival

Dirtbag Festival (DB) is a long time Kimberley event that focuses on the outdoor beauty of our backyard. OGP took over DB last year. This year they are making some changes. The goal is to bring it back to local, encourage younger folks to submit, focus on a variety of the athletics and allow all levels of athletics and artists to take part. Rather than have one stocked up events OGP has decided to branch DB festival out to 3 events throughout the year. 1 film event and 2 photography events.

City of Kimberley	\$2,000.00
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### Original Goat Production Society

#### Kimberley Horror Fest

Kimberley Horror Fest is a short horror film festival open to all levels of experience. We encourage actors, videographers, writers and directors to team up and produce short scary movies. The films are then judged by professionals of the film industry. These judges provide feedback to the filmmakers. Winners receive cash prizes. Several filmmakers have received grants for further projects. KHF has been a positive launch pad for budding filmmakers. We screen all the films to a live audience at Centre 64. The film component is then followed up with a concert by local musicians.

City of Kimberley	\$2,600.00
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## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Peaks Gymnastics Society</b>		
Peaks Gymnastics New Equipment Purchase		
<p>For over 20 years, Peaks Gymnastics has served the Columbia Valley. We have designed recreational and competitive training to serve a range of skill-levels and ages, from toddlers to adults. Accessible and affordable recreation and sport in our valley is a goal of Peaks Gymnastics.</p> <p>Peaks Gymnastics is currently building a new facility to be our permanent home. In addition to gymnastics, this space will provide opportunities for new and additional programming including cross-training (dance, skating, cheer, and skiing) and camp based programs. Our new facility will have space for an in-ground trampoline, tumbling trampoline, foam pit, as well as additional training space for programs.</p> <p>We are seeking funds from the ReDi grant to purchase equipment specific for the facility. We currently own a variety of equipment that will be moved into the facility, however, we require additional and specialized equipment, including foam for the foam pit, trampolines, additional mats and spotting systems. The purchase of this equipment will allow our athletes to safely develop new skills, and will also allow us to offer new programming such as tumble and tramp programs, aerial training (for gymnasts or skiers), and a fun place to have birthday parties, summer camps, and more.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$10,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$2,500.00
	Electoral Area F	\$12,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$2,500.00
		<u>\$28,000.00</u>
<b>Rocky Mountain Riders</b>		
Fire Suppression & Dust Control		
<p>Fire suppression equipment upgrade. Holding tank for Water, to be used with existing Gas powered Pump for fire suppression and dust control. This will be achieved by sourcing and purchasing water holding tank, upgrading equipment to be more effective in case of a fire.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$700.00
	Electoral Area E	\$1,800.00
		<u>\$2,500.00</u>



## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Rocky Mountain Village Auxiliary Society (RMVAS)</b>		
Keeping Elk Valley and South Country Senior's Warm and Happy		
Project Warm: We would like to purchase two more blanket warmers, and 96 flannel blankets to keep residents warm and comfortable during stressful times. We are in the process of buying our first blanket warmer currently.		
Project Happy: we would like to purchase 3 sets of virtual reality goggles to allow residents to safely travel to a place of their choice.		
	City of Fernie	\$5,100.00
	District of Elkford	\$5,100.00
	District of Sparwood	\$5,100.00
	Electoral Area A	\$600.00
	Electoral Area B	\$3,600.00
		<hr/> \$19,500.00
<b>Rotary Club of Cranbrook</b>		
Moir Park Trail Phase 3		
Phase 1 of the Moir Park Trail Project was completed in September 2022. Phase 2 was in September 2023 and it constructed an additional 470 m of 2.5 meter wide, wheelchair-accessible asphalt trail around the upper Northwest portion of Moir Park. Both Phases of the project have already been a massive success, but expansion is needed for this project to meet the potential this tremendous community seeks. Phase 3 will commence in June 2024 and finish in August 2024, it will connect the previous two phases to both the dog park area at Moir Park and connect the previous portions of the trail to the existing City of Cranbrook sidewalk making the trail more user-friendly and accessible.		
Cranbrook's Moir Park is the perfect site for this project, and the popularity already displayed by Phase 1 and 2 shows the vast community impact that Phase 3 will have on the park. Moir Park is a jewel, with breathtaking views of the surrounding scenery. Creating an expansive walking path for all members of the community is the best way to highlight the incredible community asset Moir Park is. Phase 3 will continue the goal of making Moir Park a Cranbrook landmark that residents are proud to call their own.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$60,000.00
<b>Sand Creek Community Club</b>		
Upgrades to the Community Hall		
The items we will be including, would be new entryway and side doors. Lighting at the front entry and some electrical upgrades to assist with our new pump system (septic) that will be installed.. Many of these upgrades will allow for two separate rental spaces (the Gazebo / and the Hall) to increase independent use / rental of both facilities over the summer.		
	Electoral Area B	\$80,750.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Senior Citizens Club of Fernie &amp; District</b>		
Fernie Seniors Centre Facility Painting		
<p>To continue to ensure the provision of a well maintained community facility, we are aiming to repaint the interior of the Fernie Seniors Drop-In Centre as well as some of the exterior features such as handrails and window sills. Proper maintenance of the facility ensures the ability to provide a safe and clean community gathering space for many years to come.</p> <p>The interior was last repainted in 2016 and the exterior in 2012.</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$4,500.00
	Electoral Area A	\$1,500.00
		<u>\$6,000.00</u>
<b>South Country Cowboy's Association</b>		
Elko Equestrian Riding Arena Enclosure and Foundation		
<p>Build an equestrian riding arena enclosure 144' x 226' with a soil and sand foundation at the Elko Park, (former Elko Rodeo Grounds). This project will provide a safe facility filling the gap from the loss of the arena at Brian Ironmongers' and the Fernie site. The sand and soil base foundation of 5 inches deep will be distributed evenly throughout the arena. This foundation plays a crucial role in supporting the horses. The arena foundation gives horses assurance of stable ground while training so they can perform their best during events. Our communities will thrive and come together to hold many equestrian events, such as, gymkhanas, roping, barrel racing, equestrian training workshops, 4H, community events, auctions, dances and farmer's markets. Preserving the heritage of the western lifestyle, keeping the traditions alive for our communities now and future generations. The project will construct a riding arena enclosure for use by the local community groups and organizations.</p>		
	Electoral Area A	\$4,335.00
	Electoral Area B	\$21,916.00
	Electoral Area C	\$23,556.00
		<u>\$49,807.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>South Country Trail &amp; Recreation Association</b>		
Jaffray Frontage Trail and ATV Quad		
<p>The Jaffray Frontage Trail is a project which will connect the community of Jaffray with a paved path adjacent to Highway 3 between Rosen lake road to the east and the West Jaffray Trails to the west. This will allow safe passage of pedestrians, cyclists, wheelchairs and other non-motorized methods of transportation from residential areas of Jaffray to the school, local businesses and trails. We are currently working with the RDEK, MOTI and engineers to complete this much needed pathway. We will use the ReDi Grant funds for the legal fees and final survey engineering fees for the Statutory Right of Way agreements for two landowners that have property adjacent to the trail to make the trail further away from the highway to make it as safe as possible. It will also be used for the subcontractor on the project to get the trail to completion. We also would like to purchase an ATV quad in order to groom trails for snowshoeing, nordic skiing, biking and walking and snow clearing in the winter and help maintaining our trails in the summer months. The donated snowmobile that we had been using for this purpose is older and has needed many repairs to keep it running this winter.</p>		
	Electoral Area B	\$60,000.00
<b>Spark Society for Youth</b>		
Moving Ahead With Change, Completing Energy Efficiency Goals		
<p>The project is too keep rising utilities lower, saving funds as well as being more energy efficient as a community YOUTH organization. This will be a future and present investment as well as a teaching tool for youth how important energy saving is for our community and planet. It is also a good community example that the Youth Organization is a leader in the energy saving and environmental support. We also have an old water heater that is leaking so it is time to replace and complete our goal of our energy efficient building. We heat the water 24/7 however it is not needed so it is a waste, the only time hot water is used for floors, hands and dishes so it makes more sense to to hot water on command.</p> <p>Our energy efficient installed dishwasher gives us the opportunity to save on utilities by reducing costs and the ability to rent the kitchen as a commercial space, sharing our non-profit community resource.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$9,000.00
<b>Sparwood Coal Miner Days Society</b>		
Coal Miner Days 2024		
<p>Coal Miner Days is our week long Community celebration that has something for everyone, from sporting events to kids festivities, parade and everything in between. CMD proceeds have been raised to support: Lilac Terrace expansion, new Sparwood Skate Park, Raise a Child UP, Sparwood EDC Committee, Sparwood Food Bank, Search &amp; Rescue as well as sporting groups in our community. Coal Miner Days are packed full of exciting events, fun for the entire family.</p>		
	District of Sparwood	\$17,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Sparwood Curling Club</b>		
Rock Maintenance		
The rocks must be sharpened every 10 years. It is important to sharpen rocks so they work correct on the ice for curling. The club has 64 rocks, and they need to be shipped to		
	District of Sparwood	\$14,677.00
	Electoral Area A	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
		\$16,677.00
<b>Sparwood Farmers Market Society</b>		
Kid's Fest		
The main goal of the Kid's Fest each year is to attract more people to the market through a family oriented event, which grows awareness of the market and the vendors.		
The Sparwood Market has hosted a Kid's Festival in Sparwood since 2019, which has been highly successful and well attended. Many families attend this event because the market provides kids entertainment with bouncy houses, face painting, balloons and carnival food! Many families expect this event each year and the combination of a market for parents and activities for children is a staple of our community summer events.		
The funds from the Redi grant would be used to rent a bouncy house for Kid's Fest, as well as hire face painting and balloon makers for the Kid's Festival.		
	District of Sparwood	\$2,175.00
	Electoral Area A	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
		\$3,675.00
<b>Sparwood Golf Club</b>		
John Deere HD200 Select Spray Purchase		
Our club is purchasing a John Deere ProGator, we would like to purchase the 2 attachments, Select Sprayer,(for applying chemicals) and the Top dresser for sand. This will help make the maintenance of the course easier and faster for our volunteers. We may have to finance the Gator, but if we could recieve grants for the attachments, it would help us financially		
	District of Sparwood	\$16,000.00
	Electoral Area A	<u>\$2,000.00</u>
		\$18,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Sparwood and District Chamber of Commerce</b>		
Bike Stand Tool Station		
Our project is to finalize the bike wash station with a tool stand on a concrete pad. This will provide an area for bike users in our community and for those visitors coming through to clean there bike and also put there bike up on a stand to do tune ups and fix anything from chains to flat tires, or tighten breaks and gears etc. We are working with Sparwood Trails Alliance, and a local business for the concrete pad.		
	District of Sparwood	\$4,368.00
<b>Spirit of the Rockies Society</b>		
2024 Spirit of the Rockies Festival		
The Spirit of the Rockies festival rallies Cranbrook businesses, clubs, organizations and volunteers to bring a primarily free city-wide 3 day festival to citizens and visitors. Activities such as public breakfasts/ bbqs, multiple sports tournaments, friendly competitions, music/ entertainment, a grand parade, market, games and demonstrations will showcase our city's infrastructure, culture and pride in our community. The festival coordinates more than 50 activities and attracts delegates from near and far. The festival brings social unity, showcases local talent and provides skill/ leadership development opportunities to the citizens of Cranbrook and surrounding areas. Free family activities remain accessible to all regardless of financial status.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$28,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$12,000.00
		<u>\$40,000.00</u>
<b>St. Aidan Orthodox Church</b>		
St. Aidan "Breakfast for the Vulnerable" Program		
Our St. Aidan breakfast for the vulnerable program has now been in continuous operation for more than 5 years, serving Monday and Wednesday free breakfasts from 7:30 - 9:30am to Cranbrook's vulnerable sector. It has recently (Oct. 2023) returned to St. Aidan Church and our newly expanded and renovated kitchen! We now provide a full service menu with a menu of 3 choices of eggs, 3 meats, pancakes, fruit, yogurt, hash browns, cheese, tomatoes, toast, fresh ground coffee, juice etc. In addition we supply 40 (up from 35 last year) freshly made sandwiches (2 scrambled eggs, extra thick heritage bacon, and cheddar cheese on a toasted bun) to the Travel Lodge homeless shelter at 8:00am every Monday and Wednesday morning 52 weeks of the year with no exceptions. We hosted our second annual Free Christmas day meal - 7 Turkeys, 5 hams, and 18 volunteers serving over 100 meals and giving away hundreds of Christmas gifts. We distributed well over \$8,000 in food cards over the last year as well. The main goal is to both provide a most excellent breakfast and to provide some companionship and caring support to our struggling patron friends.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$18,000.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Steamboat Mountain Music Society</b>		
The Thirteenth Annual Steamboat Mountain Music Festival		
<p>The Thirteenth Annual Steamboat Mountain Music Fest is a three-day event. On Friday evening, July 5, the festival opens with five sequential porch parties at various locations around Edgewater, featuring a different local performer at each place. The evening will wrap up with a big jam at Frank's Rink. On Saturday, July 6, the community park and hall in the centre of town will feature alternating performances on a main stage and a tweener stage, running non-stop from noon until 10:00 pm. The indoor dance party in the hall will feature more live music from 10:00 pm until 1:00 am. On Sunday, July 7, aspiring musicians will gather at the All Saints Churchyard for workshops led by seasoned performers.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$1,500.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,500.00
	Electoral Area G	\$4,000.00
		<u>\$7,000.00</u>
<b>Sullivan Mine &amp; Railway Historical Society</b>		
Historic Orpheum Theatre Refurbishment		
<p>The Sullivan Mine and Railway Society seeks funding through the CBT Resident Directed grant program to undertake the comprehensive refurbishment of the historic Orpheum Theatre. The primary focus of this project is to repaint the building, contributing to the preservation and revitalization of this iconic cultural landmark. Certified contractors will be hired to carry out the project.</p>		
<p>This project is important to safeguard and preserve the historical and cultural significance of the Orpheum Theatre for present and future generations. Once complete, it will support the mining railways' contribution to the local economy by attracting visitors, promoting tourism, and potentially generating increased economic activity in the surrounding area. The enhanced aesthetics of the building will contribute to the success of the railway and the community through a meticulous repainting process. Creating a well-maintained space that can serve as a cultural reminder of the historic relevance of the Sullivan Mine and keep its memory alive for years to come.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$10,000.00
<b>Symphony of the Kootenays Association</b>		
Christmas Celebration Concert including Student Concerto		
<p>Symphony of the Kootenays (SotK) will present a concert on November 23, 2024 featuring a piano concerto performed by 3 local piano students. The balance of the program will feature guest artists in a folk-based genre to engage community members who may not otherwise be inclined to attend a Symphony concert.</p>		
	City of Cranbrook	\$3,500.00
	City of Kimberley	\$1,500.00
	Electoral Area A	\$500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$500.00
		<u>\$8,000.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Symphony of the Kootenays Association</b>		
Summer Concerts at St. Eugene Mission and Columbia Valley Centre in Collaboration with A'qam Community		
Symphony of the Kootenays will present concerts at the Columbia Valley Centre on Saturday July 6, 2024 and the St. Eugene Mission on Sunday July 7, 2024 in collaboration with the ?aqł'am Community. In preliminary discussions Nasu?kin (Chief) Joe Pierre stated "the Ktunaxa people are excited about the possibility of hosting the Symphony at ?aqł'am next summer." The collaboration will include participation by dancers and drummers from the community as available. This concert is intended to be a celebration of two cultures. Organization and logistics will be arranged by the Symphony administration in consultation with ?aqł'am and other local indigenous artists.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$2,500.00
	City of Kimberley	\$1,500.00
	District of Invermere	\$1,000.00
	Electoral Area C	\$2,000.00
	Electoral Area E	\$500.00
	Electoral Area F	\$500.00
		<hr/> \$8,000.00

### The Elk Valley Dolphins Swim Club Society

#### Replacement of Failing Equipment

We would like to purchase:

- 1- Backstroke Start Devices: provide a consistent and safe start method for swimmers competing and training, our current ledges are starting to lose traction
  - 2- Backstroke Flag Line: safety feature that shows swimmers distance to the wall to avoid concussions or initiate turns appropriately, ours are at the end of their life, sagging and mildew covered.
  - 3- False Start Device: used during competition, our current false start system is sagging from years of use and older swimmers hit it during backstroke event potentially causing injury
- Replacement of failing equipment will improve training and competition for developing and competitive athletes.

City of Fernie	\$11,500.00
Electoral Area A	\$1,143.00
	<hr/> \$12,643.00

### Tourism Kimberley Society

#### The Kimberley Ambassador Program

The Tourism Kimberley Society has partnered with the Kimberley and District Chamber of Commerce and the College of the Rockies to provide for the creation and delivery of a program to train community members to be Kimberley Ambassadors. Each training session (one offered in spring and one offered in winter) is four hours, split between classroom learning and a field trip style tour of Kimberley, and focuses on providing course registrants with customer service skills and the ability to deliver local knowledge, including promotion of it's attractions, businesses, products and services, so that front line workers and residents alike can be agents tasked with the promotion of our marvelous city.

City of Kimberley	\$1,500.00
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## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Triangle Women's Institute</b>		
Pioneer Hall Upgrades		
Pioneer Hall Upgrades 2024/2025 are:		
1. Replace existing cabinets and countertops in the kitchen		
2. Install an acoustic drop ceiling in the main hall		
3. Replace the old audio/visual equipment		
	Electoral Area B	\$32,700.00
<b>Village of Canal Flats</b>		
Bench for Canal Flats Arena		
A commercial-grade bench would be placed in the entrance of the Canal Flats Arena to be used by parents and children during drop-off or pick-up times.		
	Village of Canal Flats	\$2,700.00
<b>Village of Canal Flats</b>		
Canal Flats Arena Media Equipment, Tables and Chairs		
The Canal Flats Arena has 27 stackable chairs in the mezzanine that have become unsightly and require replacement. The arena recently added a concession and eight additional plastic tables are needed. A television for the mezzanine would provide entertainment for younger siblings attending hockey games with their families. Two smaller tv's would be placed in the entrance and in dressing room area showing tournament schedules and dressing room assignments.		
	District of Invermere	\$1,000.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$9,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,000.00
		<hr/> \$11,000.00
<b>Village of Canal Flats</b>		
Folding Chairs, Dolly and Tables at Canal Flats Civic Centre		
Purchase 30 folding chairs and dolly to store them and 12 plastic tables for the Canal Flats Civic Centre.		
	Village of Canal Flats	\$6,200.00
<b>Village of Canal Flats</b>		
Rocking Chair at Tilley Memorial Park		
A rocking chair, made for parks and outdoor spaces, would be placed permanently at Tilley Memorial Park in a location to enjoy the view of the lake.		
	Village of Canal Flats	\$3,200.00



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<b>Village of Canal Flats Canal Days Festival Society</b>		
Canal Days Festival		
Our funds and grants go to support the various groups with the expense of supplies for events and activities , as well as the advertising and promotion of events to our neighboring communities to encourage them to attend.		
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,400.00
<b>Wardner Community Association</b>		
Hall, Water and Cemetery Upgrades		
Upgrade to new energy efficient plumbing appliance. New 50 gallon hot water tank, pressure tank, water softener and new lines to kitchen.		
Cemetery stage one work. Defining plot lines, roads and walkways, Machine work to clean burn pile.		
	Electoral Area C	\$12,998.00
<b>Wasa &amp; District Lions Club</b>		
<b>Sponsoring: Wasa Volunteer Fire Prevention and Suppression</b>		
Secure Storage Cabinets and Firewall for Wasa Fire Storage Facility		
This project has 2 parts, both related to security and protection of the community fire fighting assets we have accumulated over the past 5-6 years.		
1. We have accumulated a valuable inventory of fire fighting equipment and supplies which are stored at our locked facility on the Lions Grounds at Wasa. We are anxious to take as many security precautions as possible to protect these community assets so we request funding to purchase and install metal lockable storage cabinets in the building.		
2. We also request money to create a fire resistant wall on the east side of the storage building which is adjacent to the Lions' pole shed/bottle depot. We believe there is a security and fire hazard particularly from this side because most of the building is open to the elements (including wildfire), and the bottle shed has been vandalized in the past.		
Please note that although the Lions Grounds does have insurance, it is not adequate to compensate for loss of all of our assets. We estimate the replacement cost for our equipment to be around \$30,000 or more and our building at around \$100,000.		
We will use the funds to purchase building supplies and cabinets, and hire a local contractor to complete the construction and installation.		
	Electoral Area E	\$8,645.00

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Wasa &amp; District Lions Club</b>		
Wasa Lions Grounds Accessibility Upgrades		
The project covers addition of tall toilets for easier access due to the aging element in our Community. The addition of two picnic tables allowing easier access for seating and for wheelchair access. The upgrade of the electrical for the Pancake Breakfast and Winterfest areas to eliminate electrical cord tripping hazards and adequate power access. The cigarette butlers for the Ball diamond dugouts and area will help environmentally and with aesthetic clean up around the grounds.		
	City of Kimberley	\$500.00
	Electoral Area C	\$500.00
	Electoral Area E	\$10,559.00
		<u>\$11,559.00</u>
<b>Wasa Recreation Society</b>		
Fire Doors (4) Hardware Replacement & Service		
This project is to replace door hardware on four doors that are not functioning as required. This project will bring these doors up to safety standards. A certified contractor will install necessary hardware on all four doors.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$200.00
	City of Kimberley	\$200.00
	Electoral Area C	\$200.00
	Electoral Area E	\$3,600.00
		<u>\$4,200.00</u>
<b>Wildhorse Cycling Club</b>		
Consolidation Park Legacy		
The ReDi Grant funds will be used to initiate the feasibility phase of the project and to acquire the information necessary for developing a work plan. Several contractors will be utilized for professional reliance and community support.		
The Consolidation Park Project aims to develop a multi-use park in Cranbrook, integrating biking trails, a skills park, and accessible walking trails to connect existing networks with city resources. This initiative seeks to capitalize on the area's natural beauty, fostering outdoor recreation, community engagement, and overall well-being. The project's objectives include enhancing physical activity opportunities, promoting economic growth through tourism, and positioning Cranbrook as a leader in front country recreation.		
To achieve these goals, the project will undergo a feasibility phase funded by the ReDi Grant. This phase will involve a comprehensive site assessments, and stakeholder consultations. By utilizing grant funds for contractor fees and project-related expenses, the feasibility phase will lay the groundwork for subsequent planning and implementation stages. Through strong partnerships with stakeholders and a focus on economic, social, and cultural value, the project will generate enthusiasm and support within the community. Ultimately, the Consolidation Park Project, facilitated by the ReDi Grant, will transform Cranbrook into a hub for outdoor recreation, bolstering community health and wellness while showcasing the town's natural assets to residents and visitors.		
	City of Cranbrook	\$40,000.00

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Wildsight Elk Valley Branch</b>		
Little Sprouts		
<p>The Little Sprouts program is a garden-based, science-focused, parent &amp; tot program to get families outdoors, into the garden, and connecting with where their food comes from.</p> <p>This program operates once a week in July and August at the Fernie Community EcoGarden in Fernie, British Columbia. It is developed for children (ages 0 through 6) and their caregivers.</p> <p>Each week stations are set up throughout the EcoGarden that encourage parents and their children to explore a different science-based, garden theme.</p> <p>Little Sprouts provides:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Different garden-themed, science-based activities each week</li> <li>- Parent-led stations with signage on how to engage with your child</li> <li>- Outdoor library with garden-focused books</li> <li>- Healthy snacks and hand-washing station</li> <li>- Sandbox and water table</li> <li>- Gardening activities and educational activities.</li> </ul> <p>Little Sprouts is a scheduled social activity for parents and children at a time of year when most regular programs do not operate. The program is brought to life weekly by a facilitator who leads the program and supports children and their caregivers in engaging with the activities</p>		
	City of Fernie	\$2,200.00
	Electoral Area A	\$1,000.00
		<u>\$3,200.00</u>

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Wildsight Invermere</b>		
Resilient Communities		
<p>The Resilient Communities project will address community based climate change concerns and solutions in the Columbia Valley. Working together with existing community groups we will provide resources and learning in areas that concern people the most and where we can have the most impact - housing, transportation, food/waste and nature-based-solutions. By bringing existing groups and organizations together we will capitalize on economies of scale and uplift each other's work. Working together we will provide educational events, workshops and webinars highlighting the good work that is already being done in the valley, the positive solutions that exist and the areas where more work is required.</p> <p>Proposed events</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Biological Reserves</li> <li>2. Local Sustainable Food</li> <li>3. Building Sustainably</li> <li>4. Make it Don't Buy it</li> <li>5. Guided Foraging and Hunting</li> <li>6. Gear Swap</li> <li>7. Retrofits and Rebates</li> <li>8. Columbia Valley Food Festival</li> </ol>		
	District of Invermere	\$1,400.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$900.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,400.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,400.00
	Electoral Area G	\$900.00
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		\$6,000.00
<b>Wildsight Kimberley/Cranbrook</b>		
Forest and Nature School Bursaries		
<p>Wildsight Kimberley Cranbrook (WKC) acquired Forest and Nature School programs (previously run by the Kimberley Outdoor Learning Society) in fall 2023. These are fully outdoor recreational youth programs based in Lois Creek Trails, using the Forest and Nature School (FNS) educational approach.</p> <p>FNS programs focus on regular and repeated access to a natural space with play-based, student-led curriculum. There is space and time for independent reflection, collaborative creation, and risky play across the seasons. In 2024/2025, we will be offering fall, winter, and spring programs for different age groups, including Deer &amp; Fawns Parented Play, Wolf Cubs Unparented Play (3-5 year olds), Snowshoe Hares Afterschool, and Ravens Full Day (for homeschooled children).</p> <p>As a non-profit, we strive to maintain affordable programming for the community, however there is still a cost associated, making the program out of reach for some families. The Forest and Nature School Bursaries project seeks funding for 6 children to attend at no cost. To assist in identifying families in need, we will connect with third party organizations such as local schools, the Early Learning Center, and Kimberley Helping Hands Food Bank.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$4,140.00

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Wildsight Kimberley/Cranbrook</b>		
Grow the Community		
<p>The project is a combination of two Wildsight gardening programs, which share volunteers and resources: the Kimberley Community Garden and the Backyard Farmer Program. The Community Garden is open to the public to utilize (plant, maintain, harvest) and is designed primarily as a demonstration garden, where residents can come to learn growing techniques, composting and other garden-related knowledge. The Backyard Farmer Program uses backyard space, volunteered by yard owners, to grow vegetables (mainly high-yield/high-value leafy greens such as spinach, kale and chard). The concept is based on the urban farming method known as SPIN (Small Plot INTensive), which takes advantage of urban conditions-like warmer ambient temperatures, readily available water sources, yard fencing for protection from wildlife, etc.-to maximize quality and quantity of vegetable produce.</p> <p>All of the produce from both programs which is not consumed by the public is delivered to the Kimberley Food Recovery Depot (KFRD) and the Kimberley Helping Hands Food Bank (KHHFB). The two organizations distribute produce to local residents, free of charge, fresh or included in their large-batch recipes of prepared and frozen meals. KFRD has also expressed an interest in having their volunteers assist in harvest and delivery. This project is run by the Sustainability Coordinator, who organizes supplies and volunteers to build, plant, maintain and harvest gardens.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$7,100.00
	Electoral Area E	\$945.00
		<u>\$8,045.00</u>
<b>Willmer Community Club</b>		
Community Rink		
<p>The proposed community rink project aims to replace an old, condemned rink with a modern and inclusive facility in Wilmer. The existing rink is no longer safe for use and needs to be removed prior to the construction of the new rink. The new facility will be an all-season, multi-purpose space designed to accommodate ice skating during the winter months and other recreational activities, such as roller skating, basketball, and community events, during the warmer seasons. We aim to start our project in May/June 2024. We are hoping the ReDi grant will cover the costs of the materials for the boards. We have an estimate for the materials from Invermere Home Hardware for \$23,216.00</p>		
	Electoral Area F	\$10,000.00
	Electoral Area G	\$13,000.00
		<u>\$23,000.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Windermere District Farmers Institute</b>		
Market Building Roof and Safety Upgrades		
<p>We propose to install hand rails and a ramp in the Market Building along with signage and high visibility floor markings to ensure safe access in the Barn for all customers; particularly seniors and people with accessibility issues. This part of the project has been discussed in detail with a RDEK by-laws officer, in order to find the best outcome. Additionally We propose to replace the metal roof and fascia boards of the market building measuring approximately 10 by 30 meters. The building was constructed in the 1950 and the roof has reached the end of its serviceable life. Please see the quote attached.</p> <p>We would like to see the roof replaced and repairs made early Spring 2024.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$4,000.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$3,000.00
	Electoral Area F	\$20,800.00
	Electoral Area G	\$2,518.00
		<u>\$30,318.00</u>

### Windermere Valley Snowmobile Society

#### Forster Recreation Area Storage and Maintenance Shelter

This project will see the acquisition and erection of a manufactured steel storage building on the previously constructed foundation at the WVSS maintained Recreation Site located at ~19 km on the Forster Landing Service Road. The purpose of the facility is manifold: provide secure storage for the groomer and mogul master (replacement value of approximately \$250,000) and related supplies; provide a safe, sheltered location to our numerous volunteers and specialized technicians who are dedicated to the maintenance of the equipment and trail system.

Specifically this Project calls the for purchase and erection of an approximately 30' x 50' Quonset hut style steel building closed on both ends with overhead and man doors on each. Note: level of completion will be commensurate with level of funding secured and may be scaled back to allow for later installation of ends and doors.

District of Invermere	\$15,752.00
Village of Canal Flats	\$6,444.00
Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$15,752.00
Electoral Area F	\$9,308.00
Electoral Area G	\$24,344.00
	<u>\$71,600.00</u>

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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Windermere Valley Snowmobile Society</b>		
Forster Recreation Site Staging Area Drainage Improvements		
Grade and install granular to facilitate effective seasonal drainage of the Recreation Site which serves as the staging area for the Forster Recreational Area.		
	District of Invermere	\$2,706.00
	Village of Canal Flats	\$1,107.00
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$2,706.00
	Electoral Area F	\$1,599.00
	Electoral Area G	\$4,182.00
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		\$12,300.00

### Windermere Valley Snowmobile Society

#### Seasonal Snow Storage

This project involves clearing a small area (approximately 0.5 Ha) at the ~42 km point on the Forster Service Road where snow scavenged at the end of the winter season will be stored through the summertime by insulating it with a thick layer of sawdust. This stored snow will, at the start of the winter-season be pushed into the frozen river to form a seasonal snow bridge allowing mechanized access to the remainder of the winter trail to the cabin. This will allow for an earlier start to grooming as compared to waiting for sufficient snowfall in the current season to facilitate a snow bridge. Note sufficient snowfall accumulation has been delayed further and further into the winter season. By way of reference as of the submission of this proposal at the end of January 2024 there is insufficient snow to develop the snow bridge.

Without the snow bridge there is approximately 1 km of trail which does not get groomed and becomes very difficult to traverse. This is a major deterrent to using the Forster Recreation Area.

District of Invermere	\$1,342.00
Village of Canal Flats	\$549.00
Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$1,342.00
Electoral Area F	\$793.00
Electoral Area G	\$2,074.00
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	\$6,100.00

## Resident Directed Grants Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<b>Windermere Valley Snowmobile Society</b>		
Transportable Snow Grooming Equipment		
<p>This project involves the purchase of a snow groomer that is easily transportable via small trailer as well as an appropriate utility snowmobile to groom trails that WVSS has to date not been able to. While WVSS grooms the majority of the trail to the Forster Recreation site with its large dedicated groomer, it has not been able to groom snow on the trails to the Doctor Creek, Brewer Creek or Rocky Point areas. Additionally, a critical section of the Forster trail cannot be groomed until later in the season with the large groomer. When not groomed, these trails become very difficult if not impossible for snowmobilers to travel.</p> <p>This project would eliminate this problem and profoundly increase the value that WVSS is able to offer the users of these trails by maintaining access to key recreation areas.</p> <p>Additionally, WVSS would use this equipment to facilitate the maintenance of previously undeveloped snow trails on seasonally-out-of-service roads for skiers, snowmobilers, ice-fishers and other outdoor enthusiasts to recreate. It is intended that this use would start modestly in and around the Forster Recreation Site establishing a base of operations at the shelter proposed there.</p>		
	District of Invermere	\$7,235.36
	Village of Canal Flats	\$2,959.92
	Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$7,235.36
	Electoral Area F	\$4,275.44
	Electoral Area G	\$11,181.92
		<u>\$32,888.00</u>

### Windermere Valley Youth Centre Society

#### Youth Roots Magazine, 3rd Edition

The purpose of Roots Magazine is to provide a platform for local youth to express their creativity, display their activities, and inspire imaginative ideas throughout the Columbia Valley. This magazine has been a testament to the creative spirit of our youth, with the previous two editions featuring a plethora of articles, art, photos, and creative writing submitted by them. Starting this February, we will initiate our Creativity Collective project to spark inspiration in the youth to dabble in a variety of creative art forms and get in touch with their inner self. This series of creative workshops will focus on mental health and self-reflection to enhance creativity. Ultimately, we envision the magazine as a celebration of the boundless creative energy of our youth, as it provides them with the opportunity to showcase their creations for the public to see and appreciate. We are hoping to have it ready for September 2024, to be distributed at the beginning of the new school year.

District of Invermere	\$3,850.00
Village of Canal Flats	\$300.00
Village of Radium Hot Springs	\$100.00
Electoral Area F	\$200.00
Electoral Area G	\$250.00
	<u>\$4,700.00</u>

Total Funding Requested: \$2,574,523.50