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Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<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
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		\$34,000.00

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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
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		\$13,000.00

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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
		<u>\$17,261.00</u>

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<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
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**Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64**

**Creative Maker's Space**

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.

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>

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<b>Kimberley Arts Council - Centre 64</b>		
Pride at Centre 64		
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>		
	City of Kimberley	\$2,800.00
	Electoral Area C	\$200.00
	Electoral Area E	\$400.00
		<u>\$3,400.00</u>
<b>Kimberley Health-Care Auxiliary</b>		
Kimberley Thrift Store Lift Installation and Upgrades		
<p>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</p>		
	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
		<u>\$118,641.00</u>
<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>

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**Kimberley Skating Club**

Kimberley Skating Club Ice Show

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.

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.

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.

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**

Round the Mountain Promotional Video

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.

City of Kimberley	\$3,750.00
Electoral Area E	\$3,750.00
	<u>\$7,500.00</u>



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<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	<u>\$3,336.00</u>
		\$9,336.00
<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	<u>\$500.00</u>
		\$4,000.00

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<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>

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<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
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**Lazy Lake Environment Association  
Sponsoring: Lazy Lake FireSmart**

**Lazy Lake Fire Smart - Fire Suppression Lake Pump and Communication Equipment**

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.

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<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
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**Meant 2B Loved Pet Rescue Society**

**M2BL Trap and Release (TNR) Expansion**

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.

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.

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

**North Star Rails to Trails Society**

**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
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	\$22,836.00

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<b>Rocky Mountain Riders</b>		
Fire Suppression & Dust Control		
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.		
	City of Kimberley	\$700.00
	Electoral Area E	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
		\$2,500.00

**Symphony of the Kootenays Association**

Christmas Celebration Concert including Student Concerto

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.

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	<u>\$500.00</u>
	\$8,000.00

**Symphony of the Kootenays Association**

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 ?aq?am Community. In preliminary discussions Nasu?kin (Chief) Joe Pierre stated "the Ktunaxa people are excited about the possibility of hosting the Symphony at ?aq?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 ?aq?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	<u>\$500.00</u>
	\$8,000.00

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<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
<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
		<hr/> \$11,559.00

**Resident Directed Grants  
Summary of 2024/2025 Proposals  
Electoral Area E**

Organization / Project / Description	Basin Communities	Amount Requested
<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	<u>\$3,600.00</u>
		\$4,200.00

**Wildsight Kimberley/Cranbrook**

Grow the Community

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.

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.

City of Kimberley	\$7,100.00
Electoral Area E	<u>\$945.00</u>
	\$8,045.00

Total Funding Requested: \$107,885.30