

Organization **Creston Valley Gymnastics Club**

Registration #

Box 851, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **New Performance Series Crank Beam**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston
Creston, BC in the gymnastics club location.

Importance to the community:

The 140 young gymnasts aged 3-15+ who participate in your gymnastics classes. We will then be ready to host a local competition (goal is March 2025) and invite gymnasts from our zone (East and West Kootenays).

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/31/2024 Project End: 5/31/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,885.81		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$2,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$7,885.81

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$7,885.81	\$7,885.81	\$7,885.81

1. The project will provide:

Project: New Performance Series Crank Beam

We would like to purchase a new Spieth America Performance Series Crank Beam. This new beam will allow us to be ready to host competitions and adjust the beam height for all our levels of gymnasts (recreational and competitive). Our beams are old and in need of updating to better accommodate all levels of gymnasts.

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide gymnastics classes to the youth of the Creston Valley

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The 140 young gymnasts aged 3-15+ who participate in your gymnastics classes. We will then be ready to host a local competition (goal is March 2025) and invite gymnasts from our zone (East and West Kootenays).

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

We will be able to safely coach gymnastics on this apparatus to all of our recreational and competitive gymnasts. A crank beam is quicker, easier and safer to adjust for all levels. We now have a competition beam. This is the final piece to be updated in our gym so we can host competitions.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We have the location, the space and we are ready to do some heavy lifting to get the new equipment in position. We are excited to grow our club and support our community by hosting a competition in March 2025 (the goal).

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Coaching staff and a few volunteers to move the heavy equipment and get it set-up.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

We have volunteers that assist with loading, moving, setting up the equipment.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

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PERFORMANCE SERIES COMPETITION CRANK BEAM

Full Beam

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\$6,790.00

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Cost summary

Subtotal

\$6,790.00

Shipping

\$250.90

Estimated taxes

\$844.91

Total

CAD\$7,885.81

Updated total price: \$7,885.81 CAD

Organization **Starbelly Jam Society**

Registration # S-42877

po box 15, Crawford Bay BC v0b 1e0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Starbelly Jam Music Festival**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Crawford Bay Park

Importance to the community:

This project is important to our community because it draws larger crowds to our quiet part of the world. It is good for the local businesses and gives them exposure to a larger group of people. Our whole community will benefit from this project as well as further afield areas such as Nelson, Creston and surrounding areas.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 7/5/2024 Project End: 7/7/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$7,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$7,500.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Project: Starbelly Jam Music Festival

1. The project will provide:

The project is a 3 day music festival. It will provide entertainment and music as well as arts crafts and children's events to children 12 and under for free. It is also an opportunity for local musicians to have a venue which also showcased larger more well known acts. This festival is an opportunity for our local community to enjoy high quality music. It is also an opportunity to broaden minds and to offer a larger world view to our very small isolated population. Our Artistic Directors chose musical acts from many different genres, cultures and lifestyles.

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide a multi-day music festival where children 12 and under are given free admittance with an adult. To broaden minds and world views of our children and youth as well as adults by having a music festival with many different cultures, lifestyles and genres represented. Also to provide high quality music to our isolated population and to provide a venue for local artists.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important to our community because it draws larger crowds to our quiet part of the world. It is good for the local businesses and gives them exposure to a larger group of people. Our whole community will benefit from this project as well as further afield areas such as Nelson, Creston and surrounding areas.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This is an excellent opportunity for local musicians to experience a larger venue with exposure from more well known acts. Its an opportunity to bring the larger world to our small isolated area and to expose our children and our population to beautiful music, other cultures and lifestyles.. Our Artistic Directors have been doing this for years and have a great ear and eye for musical acts that will address the aforementioned issues.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Starbelly Jam's board of directors has been putting on a multi day music festival for over 20 years and we are well suited to put on this event.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Starbelly's board of directors
Our Artistic Directors
Volunteers from our community

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Starbelly Jam society has many volunteers in the community that help put on the festival.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce

Box 120, Crawford Bay, BC V0B 1E0

info@kootenaylake.bc.ca

www.kootenaylake.bc.ca

November 12th, 2019

To whom it might concern:

The Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce enthusiastically supports Starbelly Jam in their endeavours to continue hosting a music festival in Crawford Bay on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake. There is obvious benefit to any of our businesses in having our beautiful area promoted, but below are several more specific reasons for our enthusiasm.

We notice a distinct increase in visitors that weekend. Folks stay in campgrounds, eat in local establishments and visit the local Artisans. Many come early or stay longer than the festival and all are introduced to the charms of the east shore of Kootenay Lake. Many of our Chamber members volunteer to help make this festival fabulous and safe for all.

To continue to thrive as a business community we need healthy numbers of engaged visitors and be able to attract more young families to live and send their children to school here. Starbelly has excellent potential to showcase and continue helping this community thrive.

People who live in this area, come for the beauty and the peace, we are off the beaten path for a reason. Starbelly encourages visitors and ourselves to engage with our environment in a low impact, respectful way that fits the East Shore culture. This demographic has also expressed particular interest in the other unique businesses here, from the historic to the creative and even the spiritual.

It is a family friendly, rocking good time!

Sincerely, the Kootenay Lake Chamber executive.

Ron Mondor – President

Richard Bertram – Vice President

Gauri Taylor Topp – Secretary

Janet Wallace -Treasurer

Starbelly & Black Salt Café

I have owned and operated a restaurant/ café in a Crawford Bay for 16 years. Starbelly Jam has always been an important part of our seasonal identity, creating a culturally diverse as well as a homegrown experience for both locals and the influx of people drawn by this unique festival. There are a lot of wonderful things this area has to offer (usually nature based). But having this sort of musical/cultural experience, which includes workshops and interesting vendors, provides a kind of introduction, a gateway and, for those of us living here, a re-affirmation of that great Kootenay culture, which is creatively exploratory & tolerant. I meet many people patronizing the café during this weekend, and have witnessed this many times. Needless to say, it's very good for our business as well, which is seasonal & relies very much on a busy summer period to sustain. Starbelly Jam also creates a momentum, and an audience + artist pool from which I can draw, to mount live music events on the restaurant patio.

Please contact me for any further information....

Todd Halfnight

Black Salt Cafe

250-777-4037 cell

259-227-9596 café

To whom it may concern:

I am owner/operator of Kokanee Chalets hotel and R.V. Park, which is located directly across the street from where Starbelly Jam Music Festival takes place each summer for the last 20 years.

I can say without a doubt the Starbelly weekend is an extremely busy and lucrative weekend for Kokanee Chalets, with our entire hotel, R.V. park and campground totally occupied, with band members, technicians, and members of the public.

For disclosure and any possible conflict of interest, I also would like to state that I am Chairman of Starbelly Jam Music Society and have been a board member since 2011.

I include my phone number for any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Hindson

Managing Partner

Kokanee Chalets

250 551 5005

Sent from my iPhone

Organization **Creston Valley Food Action Coalition - Farmers Market**

Registration # S0053261

Box 1002, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable - Creston Valley Farmers' Market

Project Title **Market Park Signage, Advertising & Promotion**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

Multiple locations with in the Town of Creston with our "day of market" sign that are put out the morning of the market and removed directly after. We would like to work with the Ministry of Transportation to have 3 road side signs installed with proper permits to promote the the Farmers' Market year around. Radio advertisements will be run with our local radio stations targeting the local area, Kootenay region and just across the boarder.

Importance to the community:

This project is important because the Farmers' Market organizes and supports over 60 - 75 local vendors that attend the market each week, giving them the opportunity to sell the products they have grown or made. This supports local business and the Farmers' market generates over a million dollars in sales each year in our community.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 11/2/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$274.00	\$5,000.00	\$2,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$5,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$12,274.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$12,274.00	\$12,274.00	\$12,274.00

1. The project will provide:

The CVFM is moving back to its original location this year with the completion of Phase 1 of Market Park. This project is to redesign all of our billboard and day of market signage to offer directional support and attractive marketing material to increase visibility on market days.

We will work with a local printing copy to redesign all of our frame sign inserts, our billboard signs and our printed material to include all of the information about where and when to find the Farmers' Market plus how to get there. Additionally we want to run an add campaign with our local radio station and the station in Bonners Ferry inviting residents and tourist to come up and join us at the Farmers' Market. Supporting local businesses, farmers and producers of the Creston Valley.

2. Organization Mandate:

We are the Creston Valley Food Action Coalition, a dynamic group dedicated to fostering a resilient and sustainable local food system. Through collaboration and community engagement, we strive to enhance food security, promote agricultural diversity, and strengthen the connections between growers, producers, and consumers. Our efforts encompass education, advocacy, and practical initiatives that nurture a vibrant food culture while respecting the environment. Join us as we work together to create a healthier, more equitable food landscape for all in Creston Valley and beyond.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important because the Farmers' Market organizes and supports over 60 - 75 local vendors that attend the market each week, giving them the opportunity to sell the products they have grown or made. This supports local business and the Farmers' market generates over a million dollars in sales each year in our community.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This project will help with informing the community about the change of location. Inform the community about the special community partners and businesses at the market. Promote special events that are being held at the market and the overall awareness of the Farmers Market.

As an organization we count the number of people that attend the market each week and track the overall sales from the vendors and share that economic data with other organization in the community that support business development and economic stimulus in our community.

Tracking the number of people in attendance plus the sales of the market can help us plan future events that has a great community impact, helps support local businesses and vendors and creates an attraction for tourism. All strengthening our community, but first they need to know where we are.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organization has been operating the Farmers' Market along with other community programs that support our agriculture community businesses for years. We have a strong board of directors that are farmers and producers themselves, a passionate team of employees that work diligently to support the needs of our farmers, our community and are recognized by the British Columbia Association of Farmers' Market as a strong and successful market in the Kootenays.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Farmers' Market Manager will be the team lead on the project. We will be working with a local design team and the local radio station.

- 8. Minors will be working on this project:** No
- 9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers:** No
- 10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: :** Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

The Creston Valley Food Action Coalition is supporting this project with the coordination from our Executive Director and the Farmers Market Manager.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Riondel & District Curling Club**

Registration # Business No 12368-3203, Society No S-0022146
238 Fowler Street, Box 118, Riondel British Columbia V0B 2B0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Riondel Curling Club - Compressor and Oil Pump Replacement**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A
At the Riondel Curling Club in Riondel, BC.

Importance to the community:

Without this project, the curling club can no longer operate. The members and guests of the Riondel Curling Club will benefit from on-going curling league operations next season. This season, we had 30 curling members and participation from the Crawford Bay School, who held weekly curling for their students until the ice plant broke down.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/28/2024 Project End: 9/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$1,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$1,500.00	\$26,500.00	\$26,500.00

Project: Riondel Curling Club - Compressor and Oil Pump Replacement

1. The project will provide:

The project requires hiring a mechanical contractor to supply and replace the existing compressor and oil pump that were damaged during a water main break in January 2024. Some additional piping and possibly replacement of the accumulator may also be required, but this cannot be determined until the existing damaged equipment is removed.

2. Organization Mandate:

To own, operate and maintain mechanical equipment and facility to provide residents of the East and West shores of Kootenay Lake with a recreational curling league.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Without this project, the curling club can no longer operate. The members and guests of the Riondel Curling Club will benefit from on-going curling league operations next season. This season, we had 30 curling members and participation from the Crawford Bay School, who held weekly curling for their students until the ice plant broke down.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

A water main break in January 2024 caused damage to the ice plant compressor and oil pump, which now need to be replaced. The curling season was terminated as we cannot make or maintain curling ice. A portion of membership fees will be returned to our members. The problem was identified during five visits from Tratech Mechanical to try to re-start the ice plant.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Riondel & District Curling Club operates and maintains the ice plant equipment and is responsible for making the curling ice and running the curling league.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Our ice maker, Lee Martin, will oversee the work. He will be assisted administratively by Mark Easton, (Vice-President), Wendy Leger (Treasurer) and Fraser Robb (President). The most likely contractor will be Tratech Mechanical from Creston.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteer labour for administration, fund raising, grant applications, over-seeing mechanical contractor work, and start up of the ice plant after work is completed.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



September 5, 2023

New Horizons for Seniors Program
Government of Canada
270 - 220 4th Avenue SE
Calgary AB T2G 4X3

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Riondel Curling Club

On behalf of the Riondel Commission of Management, I would like to confirm our support for the Riondel Curling Club and members' efforts to provide much-needed winter recreation for our small community. The Curling Club is one of the few venues open to all ages during the winter season, and Club members are continually looking for new ways to provide amenities for the community.

For many decades, the Curling Club has provided local seniors, from as far away as Boswell, with an opportunity to be physically active, get acquainted with newcomers to the area, and stay in touch with friends during an otherwise very quiet and often dreary time of year. Local youth are also encouraged to join in activities.

Many, many volunteer hours have gone into maintaining and repairing the existing facility. Most of the roof replacement, interior repair and painting, past ice plant repairs and lighting repairs have been done by local volunteers. Every year volunteer members help with preparation and flooding to get the sheets ready for the season.

The Curling Club has also given back to the community by participating in summer events such as hosting an annual pancake breakfast during Riondel Days in August. They have also worked with staff at Crawford Bay Elementary-Secondary School to provide introductory curling lessons to all grades. Volunteer members gave their time to provide these lessons. On weekends during the curling season, teams have taken turns providing a hot lunch that was also open to the public.

Currently, the lounge roof of the Club needs replacement. It is leaking in several locations. This lounge area is essential to the operation of the Club, which in addition to its regular curling schedule is planning a series of fundraisers, and will be expanding its outreach in the coming year to include hosting the Riondel Men's Golf League each week.

The Commission respectfully urges you to consider assisting the Riondel Curling Club in continuing to provide an invaluable social and recreational resource to our community. The Commission applauds the Club's efforts to ensure that the physical infrastructure of the building will continue to serve members and visitors in the years to come.

Kind regards,

Gerald Panio
Chair, Riondel Commission of Management



Tratech Mechanical Ltd.

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sales@tratechmechanical.ca

Estimate

ESTIMATE#	1037213073
DATE	02/06/2024
PO#	

CUSTOMER
Riondell Curling Club Box 118 Riondell BC (250) 225-3246

SERVICE LOCATION
Riondell Curling Club Box 118 Riondell BC (250) 225-3246

DESCRIPTION

Oil Pump			
Description	Qty	Rate	Total
New Install: Remove oil pump and install new - Remove old oil pump off compressor - Pump down system and isolate compressor - Install new oil pump and new oil - Vac and charge compressor	8.00	115.00	920.00
Parts: Mineral Oil	1.00	125.00	125.00
Parts: Misc materials	1.00	150.00	150.00
Parts: COPE SENTRONIC OIL PUMP 998-0008-33-CPD	1.00	624.00	624.00
Customer, Freight	1.00	80.00	80.00
G		5.00%	94.95

CUSTOMER MESSAGE

GST Registration No.: 104891478RT0001

Estimate valid for 15 days

This estimate does not include extra costs associated with any modifications to plans, delays or changes caused by sub trades or general contractors. Labor and materials are allowances, actual costs may vary and is course of construction and site dependent. Extra work and / or material / rentals / sub-trades that are provided and are not included in the estimate will be an additional cost and are subject to a 10% contractor administrative handling fee. Tratech strives to provide accurate costing and will work with our clients during course of construction to keep them informed of costs to date.

It is the customers responsibility to have the work areas clean and easily accessible. Should we have clean and move items to access areas it is at the owners expense and will be charged accordingly.

Estimate Total:**\$1,993.95****Compressor**

Description	Qty	Rate	Total
New Install: Remove old compressor and install new - Pump down system and isolate compressor - Remove and install new compressor - Vac and charge compressor	10.00	115.00	1,150.00
Parts: Misc materials / gaskets for king valves	1.00	150.00	150.00
Parts: COPE COMPRESSOR 575 *5 WEEK LEAD* 4RK2-2500-TSE-800-CPD	1.00	12,896.00	12,896.00
Customer, Freight	1.00	175.00	175.00
Parts: COMPRESSOR CORE CREDIT	1.00	-680.00	-680.00
G		5.00%	684.55

CUSTOMER MESSAGE

GST Registration No.: 104891478RT0001

Estimate valid for 15 days

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It is the customers responsibility to have the work areas clean and easily accessible. Should we have clean and move items to access areas it is at the owners expense and will be charged accordingly.

Estimate Total:

\$14,375.55

Organization **Creston Valley Food Action Coalition - Harvest Share Program**

Registration # S0053261

Box 1002, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Harvest Share Storage and Equipment Purchase**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

The seacan will be located at 401 Payne St. The Kootenay Farms Food Hub, run by the Fields Forward Society

Importance to the community:

The CVFAC and Harvest Share program work with community volunteers to gather fruits and vegetable in our community that otherwise would not be harvested. We then ensure that the product is cleaned, inspected and distributed to many other community organization that ensure the distribution of product to those in need. In 2023 we support over 21 community organization in the Creston Valley and 4 other Food Banks in the Kootenays. Supporting our regions food security needs.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 10/19/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,900.00	\$5,500.00	\$2,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$7,500.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$16,900.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$16,900.00	\$16,900.00	\$16,900.00

1. The project will provide:

The project is to purchase a Seacan and other harvesting equipment to support the Harvest Share program in the Creston Valley. Recently the CVFAC has partnered with the Fields Forward Society to improve the many opportunities for food security in our valley. In the past we have been renting a storage unit and now have the option of placing a seacan at the FFS Kootenay Farms Food Hub site for storage of all of the Harvest Share equipment.

With our partnership we are using the Food Hub as a processing site for all food that is gleaned in the community. Our volunteers go out and pick the fruits and vegetables, then bring it back to the food hub for processing and then we package and distribute to local community organization.

By having the seacan located at the Food Hub it would lesson the work of our volunteers from having to pack up supplies from one location, moving it to the gathering location and then having to move it back again. It would also give Harvest Share an increased capacity for storage going from a 10 x 10 unit to 8 x 40.

2. Organization Mandate:

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3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

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4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Reducing the work load of our volunteers.

Giving us more storage space for items such as packing crates, picking ladders and other equipment.

Safer and monitored storge for less chance of theft.

All item would be in one location for greater organization of the program needs.

Reduce running around time of volunteers.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We have the relationship between the two societies and having been working together for the betterment of our community. We have a strong and knowledgeable group of volunteers that can assist in executing the project to completion. The passion to strengthen our organization and make the work load lighter for volunteers.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Creston Valley Food Action Society Board of Director, Staff and Volunteers of the Harvest Share Program
Fields Forward Society Board of Directors, Staff and Volunteers.

Hired excavating company for site preparation.

Kootenay Containers - Seacan Provider

- 8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes**
- 9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No**
- 10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes**
- 11. In-kind sources and contributions:**
- 12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:**

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Creston Valley Food Action Society - Volunteer Appreciation**

Registration # S0053261

Box 1002, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Volunteer Celebration**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston
In various location in the Creston Valley.

Importance to the community:

Volunteers have such a huge impact on the sustainability of non profits and recognizing them for the time they donated and the work they do is sometime overlooked. It is important to thank individuals that contribute to the betterment of community.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 10/19/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$2,500.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slokan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$7,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00

File No. 110-2024

Project: Volunteer Celebration

1. The project will provide:

This projected if funded will give us the organize monthly volunteer celebration to recognize the great volunteers that give so much to our communities. We will host little gatherings in various location within the Creston Valley giving us the opportunity to update community members on what is happening, how they can get involved and to continue to thank that volunteers for all the work they do in supporting the Creston Valley Farmers Market and the Harvest Share Program.

Over the past few years and since Covid volunteers have been decreasing in many organization and we are hoping that but creating these celebration events it will increase and attract new volunteers to the many great programs our community has to offer.

2. Organization Mandate:

We are the Creston Valley Food Action Coalition, a dynamic group dedicated to fostering a resilient and sustainable local food system. Through collaboration and community engagement, we strive to enhance food security, promote agricultural diversity, and strengthen the connections between growers, producers, and consumers. Our efforts encompass education, advocacy, and practical initiatives that nurture a vibrant food culture while respecting the environment. Join us as we work together to create a healthier, more equitable food landscape for all in Creston Valley and beyond.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Volunteers have such a huge impact on the sustainability of non profits and recognizing them for the time they donated and the work they do is sometime overlooked. It is important to thank individuals that contribute to the betterment of community.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Giving thanks to the many volunteers and recognizing what they do for our communities is sometimes overlooked. We will work with other community partners to achieve awareness and hold gathering that will enhance the connection between volunteers and community partners.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We are the owner of the programs and have a connection with our volunteers.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Staff of the Creston Valley Food Action Coalition, Board of Director of the CVFAC and other community partners

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Boswell Memorial Hall Society**

Registration # S-1593

12374 HWY 3A, Boswell B.C. V0B 1A4

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **New, Safer, Ergonomic Dishes and Mugs**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

(Dishes will be purchased from 2 different companies.) Dishes will be placed in Boswell Memorial Hall.

Importance to the community:

Our community at large and our Boswell Memorial Community members will benefit from the ease of use of the new dinnerware for all our lunch and dinner events. All members will be pleased with the newer, larger and easier to hold coffee mugs. Hall renters will also appreciate the new dinnerware.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/16/2024 Project End: 8/22/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$3,400.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$3,400.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00	\$3,400.00

Project: New, Safer, Ergonomic Dishes and Mugs

1. The project will provide:

Our project is to purchase new, safer, ergonomic dishes and mugs to replace our very heavy, old dishes. Our dishes are hard to serve with, pick up and put into our washer. Our 4oz mugs with tiny handles makes them difficult to hold. After many searches we have 2 quotes-- one for the dishes and one for the stackable mugs. We will purchase the dishes.

2. Organization Mandate:

BMHS is continually working to provide a safe and environmentally gathering place for our community. As well we are a "Designated Centre in case of Disaster. We are a very engaged and active Community with daily, weekly and monthly events. These include Quilting, Exercise, Yoga, Carpet Bowling, Focus on Healthy, First Responders, Vintners, Board Meetings and more. We also rent out the Hall for private functions.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Our community at large and our Boswell Memorial Community members will benefit from the ease of use of the new dinnerware for all our lunch and dinner events. All members will be pleased with the newer, larger and easier to hold coffee mugs. Hall renters will also appreciate the new dinnerware.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Replace the very old and heavy dishes with lighter, safer dishes. These issues have identified by kitchen staff users for quite some time.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We have a seating capacity of 120. Most of the dinners, dances, and other events are at or close to capacity. During "Come and Go" (ie: Father's Day Breakfast) events can have up to 140+.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

(Bill Bannister-President) Board of Directors. Rosemarie Lowe researched many food equipment companies and received quotes. Two have been selected to purchase from.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

None

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

The group attending enjoyed a fantastic potluck supper and social visit prior to the 2023 Boswell Hall AGM.

President Bill Bannister called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Bill welcomed 33 attendees to our meeting and introduced the present Hall Board members and their areas of responsibility. Bill expressed thanks to community members who attended to help us reach our required quorum requirement of 12 people for this AGM.

2022 Minutes

The minutes of the 2022 AGM were read by Brad Brown. Melody Farmer pointed out that the Yoga grant money is for Instructor travel. This was noted and corrected on the minutes. Rod Stewart moved that the minutes be accepted as read with the correction. Jan Brooks seconded the motion. All agreed – carried.

DIRECTORS'S REPORTS

Melody Farmer – Hall rentals, memberships, cards and flowers

Melody reported the following cards were sent out –

Get well – 8, Thank you – 2, Thinking of you – 5, Sympathy – 10

She also reported that this years membership drive is underway and to date the Hall has 80 paid up memberships.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Vivienne Rabb presented the financial accounting information projected onto the big screen. She noted that this report reflects the fiscal year Nov 1, 2022 – Oct 31, 2023. A brief and incomplete breakdown of some of the larger income and expenses is as follows –

INCOME	\$3028	- total donations
	\$5778	- total grants received
	\$2722	- membership dues
	\$17022	- Dinner income

EXPENSES	\$6309	- Dinner expenses
	\$5564	- Insurance, gaming licences, gov't fees, special events
	\$1407	- Repairs and maintenance

FINANCIAL SUMMARY:

\$34,268.46 Income for the year
\$26,719.30 Expenses for the year
\$ 7,549.16 Net income for the year
\$316,726.21 Total assets (up from \$309,432.95 last year)

The detailed yearly “Balance Sheet” and “Profit and Loss” reports are on file.
Brett Pilling moved and Karen Lee seconded the Treasurer’s report to be accepted as presented – all in favour and carried.

KITCHEN FACILITY REPORT – Jennifer Olsen reported that the Boswell Hall boasts a fully equipped commercial kitchen that all members and groups are welcome to use. The kitchen has been given a thorough cleaning and is now available to be used again to its full potential. She notes that they are planning to replace some and add to the dishes and utensils.

Jennifer’s detailed report is on file.

MAINTENANCE REPORT – Report given by Brad Brown.

Brief but incomplete list -

Regular maintenance performed on the emergency generator,
Repairs to frozen water pipe,
Replaced a furnace blower,
Storage racks and tables were repaired,
Donated movie projector installed.

See report on file for more details.

GRANTS REPORT – Rose Lowe presented a detailed report and it is on file.

(1) Columbia Basin Trust (Capital)

Applied to Columbia Basin for \$1200 for a Project safer Carpet bowling storage container. Received \$633.33.

(2) RDCK (Recreation grants)

Applied RDCK (Recreation grant) for help with insurance for the Hall.

Applied for \$3191 for Property insurance and

\$1199 for Directors and officers Liability insurance

\$ 396 for Special events insurance

Received \$4390 of the \$4790 applied for.

(3) Columbia Basin Trust (Operational)

Applied for \$1071 and received \$965 for hall communications (phone/internet)

(4) Gleaners

Applied for and received \$300 to cover the increased costs of electricity, and extra custodial work due to all the various meetings at the hall.

(5) RDCK (Recreational)

Applied for \$2000 to cover the travel costs of Yoga instructor coming from Riondel. Received \$1522

Because there are more groups and organizations applying for grants now days, and a limited amount of grant money available, some groups are now receiving less money than in the past.

DINNER TEAMS REPORT – Jennifer reports that Sharon Bannister and Karen Lee have volunteered to partner with her on this job. This year the following dinners were held at the hall – Fathers day breakfast, Dave Lovitt Memorial fish fry, First Responders corn roast, Fall Fowl feast, and the Spaghetti dinner. Other social events were also put on. Two dances were organized by the fitness group. A movie night was organized and put on by Jen and Brett Pilling.

Jennifer thanked all the dinner teams and event planners for their effort and encouraged others to get together, form a team and plan a dinner or event, as she would like to see one almost every month. She reminded us that anyone completing the Food Safe course would be re-embursed for by the hall.

Yvette and Fred Schenkel will be organizing a Christmas Eve potluck dinner again this year. Brett is planning to organize another movie night also.

PAST PRESIDENTS AND WEBSITE REPORT – Gary Hill reports that he is responsible for having the brass memorial name plates made and installed onto the memorial plaques. Jim Rykman of Creston has been making the name plates at no charge for many years. Gary also is our contact liason to Geof Tremblay who is the web designer and looks after the Boswell Hall website (boswellhall.ca) Gary encouraged everyone to visit the website for information and feel free to contact him about any changes or additions you might have.

Water System Report – Rod Stewart read and submitted a detailed report regarding the maintenance of the Hall's water system. Most recently he and Greg changed the sand medium in the iron removal tank, and the quality of the water

should be improved now. Water samples are sent in to the gov't for analysis once a month.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bill Bannister presented his report to the group attending. This is a brief and incomplete account of Bill's report. He expressed his appreciation to the Directors for their guidance and support as it was his first year on the Board. He noted that he is getting lots of feedback and comments about how lucky we are in Boswell to have a vibrant and fully functional hall as our centerpiece of the community. In past years we have had reports submitted from all the various satellite groups that use the hall, but the Board has changed that AGM meeting format partly because these groups have a presence on the Boswell Hall website. Bill did want to acknowledge each one of these groups in no particular order.

Fitness Club – Cheryl Place

Yoga – Marilyn Arms

Book Club – Melody Farmer

Vintners – Allan Mayder

Nifty Needlers Quilt Guild – Jan Brooks

East Shore Health Society – Karen Arrowsmith

Farmers Institute – Bob Arms

Boswell Historical Society – Margaret Crossley

Focus on Health – Margaret Crossley

Rural Crime Watch – Herve Blezy

BADEV – Rod Stewart and Gary Hill

Carpet Bowling – Peter and Sheila Barg'

Communications co-ordinator – Phil Graham

Bill noted that it costs a lot of money to keep the hall maintained and operating efficiently and the majority of the money comes from events and dinners at the Hall, donations, membership dues, and grants.

We are open to new community focused activities that could go on at our Hall.

Bring your ideas to any of the Directors and we will help you make it happen.

Please consider joining our Hall Board and participate in making Boswell a great community to live and play in. Don't forget to visit our website often to see what is going on in Boswell.

NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS 2023 – 2024

Gary Hill asked if anyone present was willing to join the Boswell Hall Board. Peter Barg nominated Brett Pilling. The present Board members agreed to stay on.

RETURNING DIRECTORS

PRESIDENT– Bill Bannister

PAST PRESIDENT – Gary Hill

VICE PRESIDENT - vacant

TREASURER – Vivienne Rabb

SECRETARY – Brad Brown

DINNER TEAMS – Jennifer Olsen, Sharron Bannister, Karen Lee

BAR TENDERS – not filled

MAINTENANCE – Greg Place, Brad Brown

KITCHEN FACILITIES – Jennifer Olsen

GRANTS— Rose Lowe

COMMUNITY EVENTS – not filled

Linda Cassidy – Director at large and keeper of the keys

NON DIRECTOR positions held

BOOKINGS – Melody Farmer

MEMBERSHIPS – Karen Lee, Melody Farmer and Sharon Toews

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR – Phil Graham 250-223-8656

pjdriftwoodbay@gmail.com

The meeting was opened up to the members attending to ask questions or make suggestions to the Board. Yvette Schenkel suggested that new residents might receive a free first year membership to the Hall. A request was made for new volunteers to join the First Responders group. Training is provided free of charge. Doug Rabb stated that the main entry door appears to be out of balance and is harder to open and close now. The maintenance group will address this problem.

AGM meeting adjourned by Bill Bannister at 8:30pm. Minutes recorded by Brad Brown

Boswell Memorial Hall
Statement of Income & Expenses
November 2022 through October 2023

4:44 PM
11/11/23
Accrual Basis
Nov '22 - Oct 23

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
DONATIONS	
Carpet Bowling	781.50
Memorial Donations	1,065.65
Private Donations	881.60
Yoga Club Donations	300.00
Total DONATIONS	3,028.75
 GRANTS	
Columbia Basin Grant	965.00
Gleaners	
Gleaners	300.00
Total Gleaners	300.00
 RDCK Grant	
Carpet Bowling Cabinet	633.33
Hall Insurance	3,880.00
Total RDCK Grant	4,513.33
 Total GRANTS	5,778.33
 INVESTMENTS	
Tangerine Earned Interest	468.00
Investment Income	416.83
Total INVESTMENTS	884.83
 MEMBERSHIP DUES	2,722.00
REVENUE	
Ad Board	700.00
Dinners	
Food Sales	232.00
Liquor Sales	4,096.45
Raffle Ticket Sales	2,375.00
Tickets	10,319.00
Total Dinners	17,022.45
 Doll House Raffle	1,540.00
Hall Rental Income	610.00
Plant/Book/Bake Sale	1,842.50

	Nov '22 - Oct 23
Refund	4.60
Rural Watch	135.00
Total REVENUE	21,854.55
Total Income	34,268.46
Gross Profit	34,268.46
Expense	
Advertising	252.00
Awards & Appreciation	22.40
Bank Fees	24.00
Building repairs	21.80
Computer Expenses	28.38
Contract Services	
Custodial Services	
Work Safe	28.02
Custodial Services - Other	3,459.75
Total Custodial Services	3,487.77
Parking Lot - Gravel	483.00
Total Contract Services	3,970.77
Dinners	
Entertainment	700.00
Groceries	2,969.23
Liquor & Permits	2,426.32
Miscellaneous	45.04
Raffle purchases	169.10
Total Dinners	6,309.69
Domestic water system	1,892.42
Drinking Water	38.87
Equipment & Supplies	
Carpet Bowling Cabinet	1,025.06
Equipment & Supplies - Other	94.04
Total Equipment & Supplies	1,119.10
Gaming Licences	75.00
Govemment Fees	372.00
Insurance - Commercial, D and O	4,390.00

	Nov '22 - Oct 23
Insurance - Special Events	727.20
Kitchen Expenses	325.17
Office Supplies & Expenses	20.16
Postage & Shipping	175.67
Repair & Maintenance	
Furnace	326.38
Hall	60.63
Heat Pumps	60.32
Sound System	43.68
Tables	142.94
Repair & Maintenance - Other	773.92
Total Repair & Maintenance	<u>1,407.87</u>
Telephone, Internet	1,502.15
Training	277.75
Utilities	3,541.90
Website	225.00
Total Expense	<u>26,719.30</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>7,549.16</u>
Net Income	<u><u>7,549.16</u></u>



STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS AND REGISTERED OFFICE

BC Society • Societies Act

CERTIFIED COPY
Of a document filed with the
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Registrar of Companies

T.K. Sparks
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NAME OF SOCIETY: BOSWELL MEMORIAL HALL

Incorporation Number: S0001593

Business Number: 11881 3880 BC0001

Filed Date and Time: November 26, 2023 01:14 PM Pacific Time

REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS INFORMATION

Delivery Address:

12374 BOSWELL RD
BOSWELL BC V0B 1A4

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13540 LAKESHORE DRIVE
BOSWELL BC V0B 1A4

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DESTINY BAY BC V0B 1A3

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KUSKANOOK BC V0B 1A1



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BOSWELL BC V0B 1A4

Last Name, First Name Middle Name:

PILLING, BRETT

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PLACE, GREG

Delivery Address:

12519 LEWIS BAY RD.
BOSWELL BC V0B 1A4

Last Name, First Name Middle Name:

RABB, VIVIENNE

Delivery Address:

13583 MOUNTAIN SHORES NORTH RD
BOSWELL BC V0B 1A4



January 2024 Boswell Memorial Hall 5 year Plan

1. Always be prepared with our kitchen and hall facilities to handle a 120 person gathering.
2. Since community meals are a major fund raiser for our Hall, the commercial kitchen and its supplies are very important to be upkept and renewed when necessary.
3. Continue to replace older equipment with those more environmentally efficient. (Fridges, electrical equipment, etc.)
4. Repainting of the inside of the Hall and install baffling to help reduce the echoing.
5. Continue recycling in the Hall, Earth Day with major highway cleanup and the handling of the Boswell Recycling (bottles and cans) Depot.
6. As a Muster Station, the Hall must always be ready in the case of an emergency.

Fwd: Boswell Hall Dishes

From: ROSE LOWE (suparlowe@shaw.ca)

To: hurfordcow@yahoo.ca

Date: Monday, January 15, 2024, 08:28 a.m. PST

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Fred Schenkel <yfschenkel@gmail.com>

Date: January 13, 2024 at 3:00:42 PM MST

To: suparlowe@shaw.ca

Subject: Boswell Hall Dishes

To Whom it may Concern

The Boswell Memorial Hall is very well used by the community. Many different events are taking place there like yoga, book club, quilters meetings, to name a few, but the favorite events are the dinner for different occasions. The Hall can seat 110 people and for some of the dinners the Hall is full to capacity.

The kitchen is well equipped and functions well, however one of the problems has been the dishes.

The plates have been well taken care of, but they are heavy. It is quite difficult to carry a pile of plates. Our community has mostly retired people and some find that their strength is not what it used to be. Those thick dishes also take quite some room.

The cups' handles are difficult for some people to hold, and some may be embarrassed to say: Could I have a different cup?

I think that changing the dishes to something more convenient for our community will be appreciated.

Thanks for your attention.

Sincerely

Yvette Schenkel

11790 Akokli Creek Road

DestinyBay, B.C. V0B 1A3

yfschenkel@gmail.com

Fwd: Boswell Memorial Hall Dishes

From: ROSE LOWE (suparlowe@shaw.ca)

To: hurfordcow@yahoo.ca

Date: Sunday, January 14, 2024, 06:15 p.m. PST

From: "melodick farmer" <melodick.farmer@gmail.com>

To: "Rose Lowe" <suparlowe@shaw.ca>

Sent: Sunday, January 14, 2024 3:09:36 PM

Subject: Boswell Memorial Hall Dishes

Rose,

As the team leader of the Father's Day Breakfast fundraiser for the Boswell Memorial Hall, I am supportive of the initiative to upgrade the dishes used for functions held at the Hall. The dishes that are presently in use are heavy for their size which can be an issue for seniors' carrying loaded plates back to their place at the tables. Also, these heavier plates can be awkward when being loaded and unloaded at the dishwasher.

Melody Farmer

* HOME BUILDING CENTRE 5244-7 *
 * 1608 NORTHWEST BLVD *
 * CRESTON BC V0B 1G0 *
 * PH(250) 428-9388 FX 428-7718 *

ACCOUNT: CASH-00
 PHONE NO () -

LOCATION 01 - STORE 1

ORDER # 024293-00
 ORD DATE 01/09/24
 INVOICE#
 INV DATE
 DEL DATE 01/09/24
 SALES ID HAR
 PO
 STATUS QUOTE

+----- A/R ADDRESS -----+ +--- DELIVERY INSTRUCTIONS ---+
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 | | | LOWE, ROSE #1
 | | | 428-1589 CELL
 | | | 223-8328 HOME

Product	U/M	Qty Ord	Qty Del	Description	Price U/M	Unit Price	Total Price	Loc
4219979	ST *	36		DINNERWARE SET, 12PC FROS ST T WHT		60.000	2160.00	01

WORKS OUT TO BE \$5 EACH

NET BALANCE 2160.00
 TOTAL GST/HST 108.00
 TOTAL PST 151.20
 =====
 TOTAL 2419.20

Fwd: Request for updated Dishware or Boswell Hall

From: ROSE LOWE (suparlowe@shaw.ca)

To: hurfordcow@yahoo.ca

Date: Monday, January 15, 2024, 10:35 a.m. PST

From: "Jennifer Olsen" <jemmer@telus.net>
To: "Rose Lowe" <suparlowe@shaw.ca>
Cc: "Bill and Sharon Bannister" <thebannisters@telus.net>
Sent: Monday, January 15, 2024 10:01:01 AM
Subject: Request for updated Dishware or Boswell Hall

To whom it may concern:

Boswell Hall is in need of newer and more ergonomic dishes.

Are present set, the plates are very heavy to handle, and the cups are small making the handles not safe or comfortable for most people to use.

Also because of the thickness of these dishes they take up a lot of space when storing.

Our dinners and many other Social Events that take place in the hall can attract up to 120 people and with personally helping in the kitchen have come up short at times, either with plates or bowls. Cutlery has also been in demand .

Sincerely Jennifer Olsen
Kitchen Coordinator
Boswell Hall





CROWN FOOD EQUIPMENT
A Division of Crown Restaurant Equipment Ltd

3655 18th Ave North Lethbridge, AB Canada T1H 6T2

Quote

Expiry: February 14, 2024



Customer No.	Date	Quote #	PO #
LB-1001343	01/15/2024	QLB-102174	

BILL TO:

Boswell Hall
Box 855
Creston, B.C. V0B 1G0 CAN
250-428-1589

Customer #: LB-1001343

Sales Rep:

Ship date:

Location: LETHBRIDGE

Ship-via code:

Terms: COD

Quantity	Vendor	Item #	(Alt Sls Rep)	Item Description	Unit Price	Total
12	ARCOROC	36140		Mug, 8oz, 3½", Stackable, Opal FOB Calgary warehouse Special order	72.54 DZ	870.48

Special instructions:

Edited: 1/15/2024 11:55:18AM

User: LORRAINE

Total line items: 2

Sale subtotal: 870.48

Environmental Fees: 4.35

GST Only: 43.74

PST - British Columbia: 61.24

Total: 979.81

Terms & Conditions:

The Purchaser understands & acknowledges that title to the above items does not pass from Crown Restaurant Equipment until full payment has been made, and that a security interest in the items may be registered. The purchaser further acknowledges that in the event that full payment is not made in accordance with the payment terms, the seller may, at their discretion, act on these security interests & charge a service fee of 3% per month (42.6% per annum) on the outstanding balance.

All pricing is based on cash transactions. Payments exceeding \$2,500 by credit card(s) are subject to an administrative or convenience fee.

Stock items may be returned within 14 days with the original invoice - if unused and in original packaging - for in-store credit. There are **NO RETURNS** on special order items. All customers must submit any claims for shortages or damage within 24 hours of receipt of shipment.

The facilitation of deliveries is dependent upon location & safety conditions. Deliveries to ground level only unless elevator supplied or otherwise stated.

Customer Signature: _____

GST# 101214187RT

Organization **Creston Community Auditorium Society**

Registration # 118879356RR0001

Box 234, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Kootenay River Theatre Subsidy**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston
Kootenay Rive Auditorium/Theatre

Importance to the community:

In every healthy and vibrant community, regardless of size, you will see a focus on the cultural and performing arts. Citizens not only want these entertainment options but we need them in the Creston Valley. With them we teach the youth of their value and for many young people it can open doors for their future. We have an aging population in the valley and many of these people want to ensure that they are afforded opportunities to see and experience cultural and entertaining events which include not just plays but films, forums, concerts and overall fun events for all ages.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 9/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$10,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

1. The project will provide:

This request for funding is to be used to subsidize the rental that local performing groups and/or individuals must pay in order to utilize the Kootenay River Auditorium. These funds will allow more user groups, in particular those whose own funds are limited, to access this venue. Usually a performing group requires more than just one or two days to prepare for an audience. Generally three, sometimes five days are required in order to execute a performance, taking into consideration technical and full dress rehearsals as examples. Without a subsidy the cost for some of these groups would be prohibitive. It should also be mentioned that groups not only must pay rental for the Theatre but they also have to cover the custodial costs. The Society plans to achieve this goal, if funding is approved, by immediately directing the funds to the High School Clerical/Administrative staff who retain responsibility for the rental of the Auditorium throughout the year. With the funding requested we would be enabling not only performing community groups to gain access to the Auditorium, but it would also in turn increase the number of events and activities for the community to experience and enjoy.

2. Organization Mandate:

Our Mission Statement is as follows: To ensure an exceptional performing arts space is available to the community and performers by fundraising for the purchase of equipment and act as the intermediary between the school district, local government and user groups.

Our Constitution reads in part: To operate exclusively as a charitable organization for the provision of educational, social and cultural facilities in the Town of Creston and to disperse and distribute money and property in the furtherance of the objectives of the society.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

In every healthy and vibrant community, regardless of size, you will see a focus on the cultural and performing arts. Citizens not only want these entertainment options but we need them in the Creston Valley. With them we teach the youth of their value and for many young people it can open doors for their future. We have an aging population in the valley and many of these people want to ensure that they are afforded opportunities to see and experience cultural and entertaining events which include not just plays but films, forums, concerts and overall fun events for all ages.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

With the funding requested the Society will be able to allow more user groups access to the Auditorium. We will also be ensuring that the Auditorium is utilized to full capacity through the year. The Auditorium Society has been in existence since the High School was built decades ago and over this time we have heard from many groups and individuals that without monetary assistance in the form of a subsidy they would be denied access to our theatre. A good example of this is the Footlighter's Actors Group. Without the subsidy the cost for them would be \$150 for a day (minimum 4 hours), and custodial costs of \$164 per day but with the subsidy they would pay \$75. This is a regular user group in the Theatre and they offer the very best local performers and performances that the valley has to offer.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Creston Community Auditorium Society has been in existence since the High School was built over 40 years ago. We are the liaison between all parties involved in the use of the Theatre and we have been instrumental in funding for most of the needs that are required for a good working theatre ie seating, lighting, curtains etc. We have a solid working Board of Directors and in the last year and a half we have implemented the new Ticket System for online booking of tickets which has been extremely successful to date and puts our Theatre on par with all other Theatres in the Province.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Project: Kootenay River Theatre Subsidy

If funding is approved the only role the Society will play in implementing the project would be to receive the funds through our Treasurer and have those same funds directed to the High School Auditorium Administration group for disbursement to local user groups as they see fit.

- 8. Minors will be working on this project:** No
- 9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers:** Yes
- 10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: :** No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Everything the Society does is done through the goodness of volunteers which without we would not have such an excellent venue full of talented performing artists.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation**

Registration # 132004227RR0001
3 View Street, Nelson BC V1L 2V1

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Infant Radiant Warmer for the Maternity Ward**

Project will be located in: City of Nelson
Kootenay Lake Hospital is located in Nelson, BC.

Importance to the community:

Maternal newborn care will benefit from this purchase. We have an increasing population of patients who rely on KLH for their perinatal care.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/16/2024 Project End: 7/1/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$500.00			\$500.00	
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00		\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
			\$2,500.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$10,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00

1. The project will provide:

Project: Infant Radiant Warmer for the Maternity Ward

The goal of this project is to raise \$50,000 to purchase an Infant Radiant Warmer for the Maternity Ward at Kootenay Lake Hospital. This infant warmer uses gentle radiant heat to maintain the body temperature of newborns who require assistance after their birth. It is equipped with an overhead lamp to prewarm the mattress and is especially helpful in providing soothing warmth for premature babies. The radiant warmer has integrated controls, such as oxygen and suction, for clinicians to use when resuscitating babies. It also comes with an integrated scale for the baby's first weight.

Funds for this campaign will be raised through grants as well as direct mail solicitation to individuals, local businesses and service organizations.

2. Organization Mandate:

Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation is governed by a volunteer board of directors with a mandate to raise funds to purchase priority medical equipment for Kootenay Lake Hospital.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Maternal newborn care will benefit from this purchase. We have an increasing population of patients who rely on KLH for their perinatal care.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Kootenay Lake Hospital is home to the busiest Maternity Ward in the region. The infant warmer will support priority and safe care for every delivery by having state of the art resources available. It will replace an infant warmer that needs upgrading as it has reached the end of life and parts are no longer available.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation was established as a registered charity in 1991. Over the last 33 years we have raised over \$6.5 million to purchase priority medical equipment for our hospital.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Kootenay Lake Hospital Foundation's Executive Director, along with the 13 volunteers on the Board of Directors will implement this project.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Not applicable

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Creston & District Historical & Museum Society**

Registration # S-0009477

219 Devon Street, Creston BC V0B 1G3

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Summer Programming at the Creston Museum**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston

Family Fun programs, Kids Day, and Pioneer Camp/Junior Curators Club activities take place at the Creston Museum. Canada Day programming takes place at Canyon Park. History About Town takes place in several locations around the community, including downtown Creston, Pioneer Cemetery, Forest Lawn Cemetery, and one of Creston's residential areas.

Family Fun, Kids Day, and Canada Day activities are made available to all groups and organizations, such as day cares, seniors groups, summer camps, and the Library's summer reading programs. Programs, modified as necessary, may be delivered at the Museum or at a location determined by the partnering organization.

Importance to the community:

As noted above, this project helps meet a need for quality summer programs and activities. Benefits include:

For the community:

- Meet a need for engaging and meaningful summer activities for children, families, and others in the community;
- Meet a need for opportunities for new residents, including new Canadians, to learn more about the community;
- Members of the general public gain opportunities to explore the local story through a variety of activities.

For the young people to be hired:

- A very positive and supportive early-career experience;
- Opportunity to build skills in museum education, heritage interpretation, and community engagement, which are highly transferrable to other fields;
- Opportunity to use and enhance a wide variety of skill sets, from organisational skills to creativity and innovative thinking, in ways that few other summer jobs in the community will allow;
- A unique and rewarding summer employment opportunity.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/20/2024 Project End: 8/31/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$250.00	\$750.00	\$750.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood

Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,500.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$3,250.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$3,250.00	\$25,410.00	\$25,410.00

1. The project will provide:

To engage local residents in the community's story, and provide entertainment for the travelling public, the Creston Museum presents a full schedule of summer programming.

The day-long Kids Day, 22 June, is a public event with a range of activities designed to help children appreciate the similarities and differences between their daily lives and those of settler children.

We are expanding our offerings as part of the community Canada Day celebrations at Canyon Park, bringing several of our Kids Day activities to Canyon Park to support a full day of family programming for large audiences.

"History About Town" week, 15-20 July, offers opportunities for adults and families to explore the story of the community through downtown walking tours and cemetery tours. "Pioneer Camp," 6-10 August, and "Junior Curators' Club," 20-25 August, are week-long hands-on, behind-the-scenes, museum-focused camps for ages 5-8 and 8-12, culminating in a family day on the Saturday to showcase their achievements.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Creston Museum is owned and operated by the Creston & District Historical & Museum Society, which was established in 1971. At the time, its functions were limited to leading field trips to sites of historical interest and maintaining a small archival collection.

In 1979, the Society purchased the collection of a nearby bankrupt, privately-run museum. A building to house it was purchased the following year, and the Creston Museum opened to the public in September 1982. Since then, its collections have more than tripled in size; opening hours have been expanded from seasonal-only to year-round accessibility; programs are extensive and all-inclusive; and additional facilities have been added to the property to house all this.

Our mandate is to collect, preserve, and present the human history of the Creston Valley. We have identified five core values:

â— Respect: The Creston Museum is recognised and respected by the local and visiting public, community leaders, and museum professionals for our role in the community and for the quality of our programs.

â— Engagement: The Creston Museum is engaged in our community; we support the work of community leadership and organisations and meet the needs of individuals through our mandate of local history.

â— Interactivity: The Creston Museum is a place where people can interact with and share local history, the community story, and their own stories.

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â— Inclusivity: The Creston Museum reflects all aspects of the local story - past, present, and future - and is welcoming and accessible to all individuals, communities, and organisations.

â— Leadership: The Creston Museum is a focal point for the arts/culture/heritage sector, providing leadership for others within that sector, and serving as a link between the sector and others sectors in the community.

These core values guide us in our mission of using the past to inspire connections to the Creston Valley today, to address its challenges, and make it a better place to live, learn, and explore.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

As noted above, this project helps meet a need for quality summer programs and activities. Benefits include:

For the community:

- Meet a need for engaging and meaningful summer activities for children, families, and others in the community;
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For the young people to be hired:

- A very positive and supportive early-career experience;
- Opportunity to build skills in museum education, heritage interpretation, and community engagement, which are highly transferrable to other fields;
- Opportunity to use and enhance a wide variety of skill sets, from organisational skills to creativity and innovative thinking, in ways that few other summer jobs in the community will allow;
- A unique and rewarding summer employment opportunity.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Already, we are receiving inquiries about family and children summer programming from visitors. Organizers of the Canada Day celebrations asked us, at the end of last year's event, if we would contribute again in 2024, and several community partners have already scheduled us to deliver programs and activities with their clients and audiences. Local and regional tourism organizations, including Creston Valley Tourism Committee and the International Selkirk Loop, have asked to include our summer programs in their events calendars and marketing materials. Clearly, there is a high demand for quality summer programming, both for local residents and for the travelling public.

This project also provides an opportunity to hire two young people for a positive, supportive, and skill-building work experience.

With support from the CBT Resident Directed funds, we can offer these programs for no more than a nominal fee, making them affordable for all.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Creston Museum, over many years, has developed programs for school groups from Kindergarten to college; for all the seniors homes and support programs in the Creston Valley; and for community partners ranging from the Creston Public Library to Blossom Fest and the Fall Fair. We have delivered them to very positive effect in every community in the valley, from Yahk to Riodel. Many of these programs are customized: we work very closely with our partners and audiences to develop programs and activities that meet their needs.

We typically hire three to five young people each summer, and are consistently ranked as one of Young Canada Works' preferred employers. Our Manager is skilled in providing a fun, supportive, and co-operative work environment. She works closely with local organizations such as Kootenay Employment Services and has worked as a mentor through BM Museums Association's Mentorship Program.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Museum manager Tammy Bradford will oversee the project. Two people will be hired to carry out the project's activities: a Program Coordinator (14 May - 31 August) will be largely responsible for planning and developing activities, delivering Kids Day and Canada Day activities, and supporting the work of a Museum Host (25 June - 31 August), to deliver the programming.

The Program Coordinator, hired through Young Canada Works, will be a college or university student. The Museum Host, funded through Canada Summer Jobs, may be a high school student or youth facing barriers to employment.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Kootenay Cooperative Radio**

Registration # CP-1773
308A Hall St., Nelson BC V1L 1Y8

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **KCR Cultural Space and Live Music Series**

Project will be located in: City of Nelson

The project will take place at the Kootenay Coop Radio Station in Nelson. Live broadcasts can be accessed on air throughout the region and online.

Importance to the community:

Residents and artists of our community will benefit from the completed renovation of the KCR basement space through having access to a cultural performance and rehearsal space in which local and small touring artists can host shows. It will benefit emerging artists in our community through the creation of a low-barrier, inexpensive space equipped with sound and video tech that will contribute to their ability to test and promote their work. Currently there are very few small venues of this size available in Nelson and area. Local organizations in our community will benefit from another potential venue for public and private meetings. Our cooperative members and listeners will benefit from the station having the space and capacity to produce live to air performances. Artists and bands showcased in the live to air series will benefit from exposure to a live audience and being broadcast on air and streamed online.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 7/2/2024 Project End: 6/27/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$500.00	\$500.00			
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
			\$7,650.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$9,150.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
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\$9,150.00	\$15,085.00	\$15,085.00
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1. The project will provide:

This project will enable the Kootenay Coop Radio to purchase high quality sound reinforcement equipment for our new performance venue; increase staff capacity directed at producing live music content that exposes established and emerging regional artists to an audience; and raise the profile of the station in the community. Over the past couple of years, Kootenay Co-op Radio has been working to convert the basement in our heritage building into a live performance venue and community space. To date we have installed a basement entrance at the front (Hall Street side) of our building; met fire code regulations for a 30 person venue capacity; upgraded plumbing and electrical infrastructure: constructed a fire barrier ceiling (insulation and drywall), and installed a small kitchen and bar area, thanks in part to funding through this program. Upon completion of the renovation, KCR will produce a series of 12 1-hour long monthly live music broadcasts showcasing local musicians. KCR listeners will enjoy a new live to air music performance series while participating musicians will benefit from their performances being broadcast on the radio and streamed online. This series will coincide with our 25th anniversary celebrations as well as welcome the community into our new space.

2. Organization Mandate:

Kootenay Cooperative Radio uses its facilities and the initiative and skills of its membership to create a medium for balanced expression of the varied perspectives of our community. KCR aims to entertain and inform listeners through its commitment to innovative broadcast journalism and high-quality programming.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Residents and artists of our community will benefit from the completed renovation of the KCR basement space through having access to a cultural performance and rehearsal space in which local and small touring artists can host shows. It will benefit emerging artists in our community through the creation of a low-barrier, inexpensive space equipped with sound and video tech that will contribute to their ability to test and promote their work. Currently there are very few small venues of this size available in Nelson and area. Local organizations in our community will benefit from another potential venue for public and private meetings. Our cooperative members and listeners will benefit from the station having the space and capacity to produce live to air performances. Artists and bands showcased in the live to air series will benefit from exposure to a live audience and being broadcast on air and streamed online.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

- Residents of our community will have increased access to cultural performances, both during the project and beyond, in a small, intimate, all-ages venue
- Artists have access to a low-cost performance and rehearsal space
- Developing this venue and producing live to air shows raises the profile of KCR in the community and has the potential to attract new members, supporters and sponsors
- Rental fees from the use of the finished space by musicians, KCR programmers and community groups contributes to an increase in operating revenue for the station
- These opportunities have been identified through internal strategic planning work; the station receiving several requests per month since the beginning of the renovation project for use of the space for shows and rehearsals; and the success of a previously produced live to air series of shows featuring local and regional musicians and bands

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Kootenay Coop Radio has over 20 years of experience connecting artists and community. We have hosted many events since our inception in 1999. Our building is underutilized and so this small performance space will become a

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valuable asset for expanding cultural performance opportunities. KCR has over 60 programmers who connect with a variety of artists in our broadcast area and this allows us to have a very diverse offering of artists in our network. Local and touring artists contact us regularly about wanting to promote their work. This project will create yet another avenue for us to meet the needs of these artists. KCR has 3 part-time staff who are able to coordinate projects and programs and volunteers to deliver on our strategic planning goals. The KCR staff will guide the work of installing the technical infrastructure, producing broadcast shows for the concert series and ongoing management of the space.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The KCR staff- our Operations and Programming Manager, Administrative Manager and Sponsorship and Events Coordinator- as well as KCR volunteers. A short-term coordinator and sound technician will be contracted to co-produce the live music series.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

KCR staff and volunteers will work to complete the renovation of the basement performance space as well as conduct outreach with potential artists and bands who will be a part of the live to air concert series.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

KCR Basement Cultural Space: City of Nelson Sustainability Goals and Community Priorities

Kootenay Coop Radio was founded in 1999. KCR is volunteer driven and community powered radio station broadcasting to over 60,000 people in Nelson, the Slocan Valley, Castlegar, Kaslo and other areas of the West Kootenays and over the internet to a world wide audience. KCR has over 3,000 members and more than 50 programmers who help us represent the diverse nature of Nelson and area.

This project will address the areas of Cultural Strength, Healthy Neighbourhoods, Healthy Living and Social Well-Being and Resiliency, identified in the City of Nelson's 2040 Sustainability Strategy.

Kootenay Coop Radio is important to the community as it reflects the diverse voices of our region, offering a forum for discussion and analysis of current affairs, from environmental, political and social issues as well as pop culture and the arts. A recent success in engaging the local community was our KCR Live radio show which showcased local musicians live in our studio playing their music and discussing their craft live with a host in our Hall Street Studio. This brought local musicians who had been unable to perform live during the pandemic to our listeners and highlighted the KCR Studio as an emerging cultural hub for Nelson. This project gave voice to over 60 musicians, including students of the Selikirk College Music Program and LV Rogers High School. The basement renovation project will allow us to continue this process by providing a small live venue for local musicians and other artists to rehearse and perform while contributing to the social and cultural vitality of Nelson.

Healthy neighbourhoods are vibrant and the work we are doing to revitalize the KCR station, both inside and out, contributes to the Hall Street corridor which will be enhanced by having a performance venue and cultural space just off of the downtown core. This project will create an all ages venue

and gathering space in the Hall Street neighbourhood within walking distance of downtown and the waterfront.

KCR has a significant percentage of programmers who are seniors. Social well-being through the stages of life requires opportunities for people of all ages to have ways to contribute. KCR has a diverse mix of programmers and our seniors have a chance to mentor new programmers and to stay engaged in being a voice of and for the community. Young people need a place to start when interested in performing, exploring spoken word, or being a community activist and voice for change. The various KCR programs provide this opportunity through a supportive and collaborative Coop approach.

Resiliency can be enhanced in many ways in a community and KCR ensures that the many community organizations that create and support resilience initiatives have a voice through our shows such as Kootenay Morning and EcoCentric as well as through public service announcements and individual programmers' shows.

Nelson has many gathering spaces but small venues are needed. This project will provide a small rehearsal and performance space and it will be able to be adapted to other uses for meetings, school groups, Selkirk College music students, and other arts and culture groups. A key feature of this project is that it will create a small affordable venue for rehearsal, performance, meetings and other community uses.

To whom it may concern:

February 15, 2024

I am writing this letter in support of Kootenay Coop Radio's CBT Resident Directed grant application.

I was on the KCR board for 4 years (term ended November 2023). I was co-chair for 2 years and chaired the Personnel Committee and the Policy and Governance Committee and I am currently on the Finance Committee. I also have co-hosted shows on KCR.

The basement project is a key piece of the strategic plan developed by the KCR board in 2020. It will assist KCR in advancing the four key strategic goals:

- 1) Excellence in Programming
- 2) Stronger Community Presence
- 3) Sustainable Funding
- 4) Technology and KCR Studio

Completing the basement increases the breadth of KCR's programming, it creates more opportunity for music events, meetings, and other events to increase KCR's presence in the community and will bring in additional revenue along with creating a vibrant user space to establish more of a studio atmosphere.

In 2021 KCR received a grant to host "KCR LIVE", which featured many local and regional musicians. It was very popular with our audiences and it expanded performance opportunities during a difficult time for musicians due to Covid-19. A few of these shows featured students from the Selkirk College Contemporary Music and Technology Program. This was the start of an important partnership for both the Music program and KCR. The Selkirk College Music program needs opportunities for their students to perform - they need a variety of venues and for new performing musicians who need a smaller venue that allows them to have a less intimidating experience for learning about performing. Since the KCR LIVE events we have had a few more students and some faculty perform on a variety of KCR shows. A next step will be to have the basement in a finished state so that we can regularly host "tiny desk" like concerts featuring Selkirk College Music program students.

I have personally attended two of the music events hosted in the basement and they were sold out and provided a great venue for up and coming musicians to perform in. The completion of the project with high quality sound reinforcement and sound proofing, along with upgrades to the bathroom will make this a sought after venue for music events, other performance events, meetings and workshops. I have even had musicians suggest they'd like to shoot music videos in this space.

KCR provides invaluable services to the residents of Nelson and area with an eclectic suite of music and information shows and adding a well equipped performance space will increase KCR's ability to serve musicians, not-for-profits, people needing meeting space or rehearsal spaces and workshop space.

I would be happy to discuss this with anyone as you deliberate on your granting process.

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Organization **Creston Valley Cycling Association**

Registration #

1713 Scott St, Creston BC V0B 1G5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Wynndel Mountain Bike Trail Network**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

The trail is located in Wynndel, BC. From the access point to 1.5 km along the trail it is on land owned by the Town of Creston; from that point onward the trail is on land owned by the Wynndel Irrigation Board.

Importance to the community:

Building a high-quality, easy to access trail in Creston will benefit families and outdoor enthusiasts who will enjoy long anticipated access to a beginner-friendly trail. Having an increased variety of recreation options makes our community an inviting place for families and career-aged people to live. The project will also impact the Creston Valley at large as quality trails have been a driver of tourism in other Kootenay communities.

Work Plan Dates:

Project Start: 5/17/2024

Project End: 10/15/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$4,456.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$8,200.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$12,656.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$12,656.00	\$46,980.00	\$46,980.00

1. The project will provide:

The CVCA is developing a mountain bike trail network in Wynndel for community use. Earlier phases of the project saw volunteers building a downhill-use trail for more experienced riders. The current phase of the project is to contract a professional trail builder to construct a multi-directional trail that will both provide uphill access to the advanced downhill-use trail, but most importantly for this phase of the project provide an accessible trail for riders of all abilities to try mountain biking and develop their skills. As this trail will be machine built it will be wide, with obstacles removed or minimized and easy to ride in both uphill and downhill directions.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Creston Valley Cycling Association (CVCA) is a community cycling group that aims to bring all types and levels of cyclists together to help develop cycling in the Creston Valley both off and on-road. We have a long history of leading group ride activities and supporting community events such as the Bike Rodeo. More recently, the CVCA has become the community group and advocate for mountain biking riders and trails, including the development and maintenance of mountain bike trails in the Creston Valley.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Building a high-quality, easy to access trail in Creston will benefit families and outdoor enthusiasts who will enjoy long anticipated access to a beginner-friendly trail. Having an increased variety of recreation options makes our community an inviting place for families and career-aged people to live. The project will also impact the Creston Valley at large as quality trails have been a driver of tourism in other Kootenay communities.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Constructing a machine-built trail will address the lack of access to beginner-friendly mountain bike trails in the Creston Valley. Currently there are no insured trails on public land, and trails that do exist are not able to be grandfathered in as public trails and are too challenging for most riders. New trail development provides an opportunity to establish trails that are up to modern trail standards and are approachable for new riders.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The CVCA is the only cycling group in the Creston Valley and has become the central organization bringing together community members who have maintained their own trails over the years. Many of the board members and volunteers have been avid mountain bikers in the Creston Valley for years. It has become evident as we have watched other communities develop excellent mountain biking trails that Creston is ready to do this as well and has the capacity to do so; in the past couple of years it has registered as a non-profit society and has taken critical steps to ensure the safe and sustainable development of a mountain bike trail network, including securing insurance for the project and occupation agreements with the landholders.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Creston Valley Cycling Association is the overseer of these trails, as well as the organization in charge of ongoing maintenance and maintaining the trail insurance policy. There is a signed agreement with the Town of Creston covering 10 years of occupation and maintenance permissions for the CVCA. There is also an agreement with the Wynndel Irrigation District that is renewed annually by a report from the CVCA on the trail status. Randy Boardman, a licensed and insured trail builder, will be the machine operator and builder for the trail.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Board Members from the Creston Valley Cycling Club are volunteering their time to liaise with community partners to ensure the longevity of the trail, and community volunteers are donating time in constructing the intermediate trail next to the beginner trail to broaden the use of the trail network.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



**OASIS OUTDOOR
ADVENTURE &
SPORT INSURANCE
SOLUTIONS INC.**

10020 - 12th Avenue
North Battleford, SK S9A 3A4
Toll Free: 1-866-979-2747
Phone: 306-446-2747
Fax: 866-488-6122

Certificate of Insurance

Certificate Holder: **Town of Creston**
238-10th Avenue North, PO Box 1339, Creston, BC V0B 1G0
(In regards to LOT 3 DISTRICT LOT 4595 KOOTENAY DISTRICT
PLAN 2185, PID: 015-463-974 and LOT 4 DISTRICT LOT 4595
KOOTENAY DISTRICT PLAN 2185, PID: 015-524-086)

Named Insured: **Creston Valley Cycling Club & International Mountain Bicycling
Association (Canada)**

Broker: OASIS Outdoor Adventure & Sport Insurance Solutions Inc.

Policy Number: **OASIS0079**

This is to certify that the policies of insurance listed below have been issued to the Named Insured above for the policy period indicated, notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate may be issued or may pertain. The insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies. Limits shown may have been or may be reduced by paid claims/expenses.

Schedule of Insurance

Coverage	Insurer	Policy Dates		Limits of Liability/ Amounts
Commercial General Liability Including Non-Owned Auto Liability	Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's	Effective	May 6, 2023	Bodily Injury and Property Damage
		Expiry	May 6, 2024	\$5,000,000 CDN Inclusive

It is agreed that Bodily Injury or Property Damage Liability, cross liability with a limit of \$5,000,000 shall also apply to the Above Certificate Holder as an Additional Insured, but solely with respect to the legal liability arising out of the Named Insured's operations.

This certificate is issued for convenience only. All of the terms and conditions of the Policies referred to are contained in the original document which are not modified or amended by this Certificate. With respect to Liability Insurance Certificate, where an Aggregate limit applies, the Certificate Holder is advised that the limit shown may apply to products/completed operations or projects other than that shown in this certificate and the limit may be reduced by Claims/Expenses Paid. In case of policy cancellation, the Broker will endeavour to provide the Certificate Holder with 30 days' written notice but assumes no responsibility for failure to do so.

OASIS Insurance

Per: _____
Signed: Keith Bossaer

Creston Cycling Club-2024 Wynndel Trail Construction Cost Estimate

Randy Boardman, PO Box 78 Salmo BC, V0G 1Z0, RandyBoardman77@gmail.com Cell 250 608-0597

This quote includes layout, construction, machine, and labor costs for the construction of a non-motorized, multi-directional, Green Circle trail. The mapped distance for the project estimate is 2 km, elevation gain is 200m and average grade of the trail is near 10% or 5.7 degrees. This quote is broken down into 1st and 2nd Km sections because of the spatial variability of the land being used for the trail construction. Time estimates will include extra time projection to ensure completed trail sections.

- Machine cost 1.8 t mini excavator with 3 attachments and Thumb, inc. fuel - 1200\$ per week
- Chainsaws cost inc. fuel – \$40 per day.
- Trail Layout/ Design/Builder labor cost - \$45 per hour.
- Delivery and Return of Equipment - \$500

Layout, Brushing and Clearing for 1st Km.

Estimated time of lay out and brushing of the 1st km is 2 weeks/ 80 hours.

- 80 hours for Layout, Brushing and Clearing x \$45 per hour labor cost = \$3600
- 10 days of Chainsaw use at \$30 day chainsaw + \$10 day for fuel = \$40 per day x 10 days = \$400

Total cost of Layout, Brushing and Clearing = \$4000

Trail Construction and Finishing for 1st Km.

Estimated time to build after layout and brushing (including finishing) of the 1st km section is 6 weeks.

-2 weeks (8 days) 16 corners - estimate 4hrs for 1 (15.6 m) corner, so a total estimated time of 8 days for 16 corners for a total of 250m, and 2 days extra for two (3m bridges.)

-4 weeks (20 days) of straight section building at 37.5m per day, for a total of 750m.

- Labor cost for 6 weeks, 30 days, 240 hours x \$45 per hour = \$10,800
- Mini Excavator cost is \$1200 per week x 6 weeks = \$7,200

Total cost of Trail Construction and Finishing = \$18,000

Estimated Cost inc. Taxes for 1st Km.

\$22,500 + Tax = \$25,200

Build cost estimate for the 1 st km, Wynndel Trail.	Amounts
Layout and brushing/clearing	\$ 4,000
Trail construction and finishing	\$ 18,000
Machine Delivery/pickup	\$ 500
Subtotal	\$ 22,500
Tax	\$ 2,700
Total	\$ 25,200



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Certificate of Insurance

Certificate Holder: Wynndel Irrigation District
5127 A Wynndel Road
Wynndel, BC V0B 2N2
(in regards to landuse agreement)

Named Insured: Creston Valley Cycling Club & International Mountain Bicycling Association (Canada)

Broker: OASIS Outdoor Adventure & Sport Insurance Solutions Inc.

Policy Number: OASIS0079

Note: The CGL policy insures the trails, when open, for the use of the general public.

This is to certify that the policies of insurance listed below have been issued to the Named Insured above for the policy period indicated, notwithstanding any requirement, term or condition of any contract or other document with respect to which this certificate may be issued or may pertain. The insurance afforded by the policies described herein is subject to all the terms, exclusions and conditions of such policies. Limits shown may have been or may be reduced by paid claims/expenses.

Schedule of Insurance

Coverage	Insurer	Policy Dates		Limits of Liability/ Amounts
Commercial General Liability Including Non-Owned Auto Liability	Certain Underwriters at Lloyd's	Effective	May 6, 2023	Bodily Injury and Property Damage \$5,000,000 CDN Inclusive
		Expiry	May 6, 2024	

It is agreed that Bodily Injury or Property Damage Liability, cross liability with a limit of \$5,000,000 shall also apply to the Above Certificate Holder as an Additional Insured, but solely with respect to the legal liability arising out of the Named Insured's operations.

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This quote includes layout, construction, machine, and labor costs estimate for the construction of a non-motorized, multi-directional, Green Circle trail. The mapped distance for the whole project estimate is 2 km, elevation rise is 200m and average grade is near 10% or 5.7 degrees. This quote is broken down into 1st and 2nd Km sections because of the spatial variability of the land being used for the trail construction. Build time estimates, include extra time projection to ensure completed trail sections.

- Machine cost 1.8 t mini excavator with 3 attachments and Thumb, inc. fuel- \$1200 per week
- Chainsaws cost inc. fuel – \$40 per day.
- Trail Layout/ Design/Builder labor cost -\$45 per hour.
- Delivery and Return of Equipment – \$ 0 (paid in 1st Km Invoice)

Layout, Brushing and Clearing of 2nd Km.

Estimated time of lay out and brushing of the 2nd km is 2 weeks/ 80 hours.

- 80 hours for Layout, Brushing and Clearing x \$45 per hour labor cost = \$3600
- 10 days of Chainsaw use at \$30 day chainsaw + \$10 day for fuel =\$40 per day x 10 days = \$400

Total cost of Layout, Brushing and Clearing = \$4000

Trail Construction and Finishing of 2nd Km.

Estimated time to build after layout and brushing (including finishing) of the 2nd km is 5 weeks.

-1 weeks (5 days) 10 corners - estimate 4hrs for 1 (15m) corner, so a total estimated time of 40hrs for 10 corners, estimated total distance of 150m.

-4 weeks (20 days) of straight section building at 42.5m per day, for a total of 850m.

- Labor cost for 5 weeks, 25 days, 200 hours x \$45 per hour = \$9,000
- Mini Excavator cost is \$1200 per week x 5 weeks = \$6000

Total cost of Trail Construction and Finishing = \$15,000

Estimated Cost inc. Taxes

\$19,000 + Tax = \$ 21,280

Build cost estimate for the 2 nd km, Wynndel Trail.	Est.Amounts
Layout and brushing/clearing	\$ 4,000
Trail construction and finishing	\$ 15,000
Machine Delivery/pickup	0
Subtotal	\$ 19,500
Tax	\$ 2,280
Total	\$ 21,280

Mountain Bike Trail Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT (the "Document") made as of this 19 day of May,
2023 (the "Execution Date"),

BETWEEN:

Wynndel Irrigation District (WID) of Wynndel Rd, British Columbia V0B, Canada (owner)

Creston Valley Cycling Association (CVCA) of Wynndel Road, Wynndel, BC, Canada (applicant)

1713 Scott St Creston BC V0B-1G5

(Individual: Owner, Applicant; Collectively: Parties)

BACKGROUND:

The Creston Valley Cycling Association (Applicant) is seeking an Agreement for Authorization to Construct and Maintain a Mountain Bike Trail system on Wynndel Irrigation District (Owner) Non-watershed lands.

This Document will establish the terms of agreement between the Parties. The terms contained in this Document are not comprehensive and it is expected that additional terms may be added, and existing terms may be changed or deleted. The terms are as follows:

Non-Binding

1. This Document does not create a binding agreement between the Parties and will not be enforceable. Only the final Agreement, duly executed by the Parties, will be enforceable. The terms and conditions of an Agreement will supersede any terms and conditions contained in this Document. The Parties are not prevented from entering into negotiations with third parties with regard to the subject matter of this Document.

Understanding

2. By this Document the Parties signal their intention to enter into a Agreement in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia subject to negotiation of the terms of the

Agreement. The rights and obligations of the Parties will be as stated in the applicable legislation of the Province of British Columbia (the "Act") except as otherwise provided in the Agreement.

3. The name of the Applicant and key contact will be: Creston Valley Cycling Association (CVC)
[Primary contact, contact number, Justin Vance; 250-402-8424; justinvance@hotmail.com; 5520 Duck Creek Road Wynndel BC V0B-2N2
4. The name of the Owner and key contact will be: Wynndel Irrigation District (WID) 5127A Wynndel Road, Wynndel, BC V0B2N1; Manager of Operations / Chair, (250) 866-5312, Wynndelid@gmail.com
5. The purpose of the Agreement will be: Authorizing Access to Wynndel Irrigation District prescribed lands.

Closing Date

6. The Agreement will be completed on or about the 15th day of May 2023. All obligations as indicated in the Agreement will be completed and met by the Closing Date.

Representations

7. The Parties each represent and warrant that the qualifications, skills and experience which they will each bring to the are truly and accurately reflected in any descriptions of the same given to any of the other Parties. The Parties further represent and warrant that they are each in a position to make any agreed contribution to the Project on, or in advance of, the Closing Date. If the representations of one of more of the Parties are untrue upon the Closing Date, then any Party may terminate this Agreement without penalty.

Specific Terms

8. Mountain Bike Trail Access is restricted to Non-watershed lands.
9. CVCA to provide copy of Insurances to WID prior to any access or construction / maintenance commencement, and as annually updated.
10. Trail Maintenance Agreement - Schedule A.
11. CVCA Trail Signage Agreement - Schedule B.



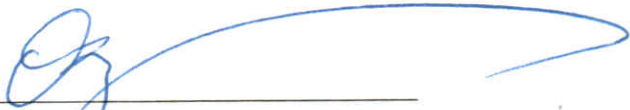
12. CVCA Map/Location of Trail

13. CVC will provide a status report to Wynndel Irrigation Board meeting in June and October of the current year.

14. This Agreement is renewable each year by end of second quarter at a regular WID Board Meeting.

15. In the event of CVCA dissolution, CVCA will provide a reclamation plan will be provided to Wynndel Irrigation District Board for review and approval.

This Document accurately reflects the understanding between the Parties, signed on this 19 day of May, 2023.



Wynndel Irrigation District (Board Chair)

Dean Bryans



Creston Valley Cycling Association - Roy Broomfield President

Trail Maintenance Agreement – Schedule A

Creston Valley Cycling association agrees to maintain the Wynndel Irrigation District Mountain bike trails to the following standards.

1. **Signs**-All signs will be checked at the beginning of the riding season to ensure they are visible and in place.

Signage will also include and be not limited to:

'No Smoking or Fires'

2. **Inspection**-Trail will be inspected twice a year. Once at the beginning of the riding season and again mid-way through the riding season. The inspection will identify and repair/eliminate any trail hazards such as deadfall and erosion.
3. **Brushing and Limbing** - Brush, limbs and juvenile trees will be removed allowing for clearance of 0.5 meters from the centre of the trail on both sides. Limbs will also be removed providing 2.5 meters of clearance above the trail.
4. **Drainage and erosion control**. Waterbars, culverts, cross-drains, grade dips, and ditches will be inspected for potential blockages and maintained to prevent erosion.
5. **Litter** – litter will be removed from the trail and trailhead.
6. **Trail tread maintenance** – Trail surface will be maintained, keeping the riding level close to the original difficulty rating. If the difficulty rating changes, signage will change to reflect the new rating.
7. **Trail closures** – Trail will be closed, with relevant signage, if trail is unsafe to ride and/or maintenance is underway.

****Ministry Backcountry Closure from time to time will require a complete non-access to the Trail System**.**


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CVCA Trail Signage Agreement – Schedule B

CVCA will commit to the signage standards listed below on the mountain bike trails with in Wynndel Irrigation District land.

1. Informational & directional signs will be placed at the trail head and include :
 - A) **Name of trail** - Trail will be named for identification reasons.
 - B) **Description of trail** - This will include allowed activities, direction of travel, and difficulty rating which will adhere to the REC BC trail guidelines.
2. Regulatory and warning signs will be placed at the trail head and along the trail where needed and include:

Rules and Regulations – Signs will declare landownership, what activities are allowed and not allowed on the trail and will also inform users that they use the trail at their own risk. Signs for Wynndel Irrigation Distract land will state:

“Private Land, Mountain bike trail, use at your own risk. Authorization to Creston Valley Cycling Association has been granted by the Wynndel Irrigation District (250) 866-5312. Please stay on trail and leave no trace. No Motorized Vehicles Allowed.”

Rules & regulation signs will be posted at the trail head and/or at the WID land boundaries.

Warnings – At the trail head users will be warned of the hazards and risks of mountain biking and that trail conditions change daily encouraging them to ride conservatively until they are familiar with the trail and the current conditions of the trail.

Warning signs may also be placed along the trail at intersections and before unexpected challenging technical trail features such as drop-offs, narrow bridges, or other elements of increased risk.

If optional features are more difficult that the trailhead difficulty rating, signs will be placed before the optional feature stating the difficulty rating.

3. Authorization

6a Creston Valley Cycling Association has reviewed WID Agreement documents and provided the following to WID approval and Agreement continuance.

- CVCA Insurance
- CVCA Maintenance Agreement
- CVCA Trail Signage Agreement

98-2022 Motion by Trustee Grant for Wynndel Irrigation District to accept submissions as information and instruct Administration to complete execution of Agreement.

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CVCA Trail Agreement – Schedule C

(Map of Trail Location here)

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COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE

THIS DOCUMENT (EVIDENCE OF INSURANCE) IS ISSUED AS NOTICE OF INSURANCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY. IT DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A LEGAL CONTRACT OF INSURANCE. THE MASTER POLICY AND THE APPLICATION OF THE INSURED MEMBER, IF ANY, FORM THE ENTIRE CONTRACT. THIS EVIDENCE IS FURNISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND IN ALL RESPECTS IS SUBJECT TO, THE TERMS OF THE MASTER POLICY. THIS EVIDENCE REPLACES ANY OTHER EVIDENCE PREVIOUSLY ISSUED COVERING THE INSURANCE DESCRIBED WITHIN.

This document is to notify the Insured Member named below that the following insurance has been effected with certain Underwriters at Lloyd's, London (not incorporated) (the Underwriters) for the policy period specified below under the Master Policy specified below (the Master Policy) issued to the Master Policyholder.

This insurance is provided under the Master Policy and is in accordance with the terms of the Master Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto. The original Master Policy may be inspected at the offices of the Master Policyholder (International Mountain Bicycling Association Canada). The respective names of and proportions underwritten by the Underwriters can be ascertained from the office of the Master Policyholder.

The Underwriters in return for payment of the premium by or on behalf of the Insured Member and subject to the terms, definitions, limits of insurance, exclusions and conditions of the Master Policy agree to provide the insurance as stated in this Evidence of Insurance.

Evidence No:	2023-23
Insured Member:	Creston Valley Cycling Club
Mailing Address:	PO Box 190, Creston, BC V0B1G0
Underwriters:	Certain Underwriters at Lloyds.
Policy Period:	From: May 6, 2023 To: May 6, 2024 Both dates from 12:01 am Standard Time at the mailing address of the Insured Member shown above
Operations:	All Insured Member day to day activities including social events, fundraising, meetings and other normal activities including the ownership, construction, design, maintenance and use of trails.
Notices:	LSW 1543 Notice Concerning Personal Information
Express Warranties:	IMBA Canada Operations Endorsement


Endorsements attached to this Evidence of Insurance:

There is an alcohol exclusion on the policy. Coverage can be arranged by contacting Oasis. Race, Speed or timed events as well as tracks are not covered by the policy, contact if coverage is required.

Limits of Insurance			Deductible
Each Occurrence Limit:	CAD \$ 5,000,000		CAD \$ 1,000
Personal and Advertising Injury Limit:	CAD \$ 5,000,000	Any one person or organization	CAD \$ 1,000
Medical Expenses Limit:	CAD \$ 50,000	Any one person	CAD \$ 1,000
General Aggregate Limit:	CAD \$ 10,000,000		CAD \$ 1,000
Products-Complete Operations Aggregate Limit:	CAD \$ 5,000,000		CAD \$ 1,000
Non Owned Automobile Limit:	CAD \$ 5,000,000	Any 1 loss (exclusive of interests and costs)	CAD \$ 1,000
Forest Fire Fighters Expenses:	CAD \$ 2,000,000		CAD \$ 10,000
Participants Liability Coverage:	\$ 2,000,000/ \$ 2,000,000 aggregate		

Premium: The premium charged including taxes (if applicable) is subject to a Minimum Earned premium in the event of termination by the Insured Member. Any fee charged is earned in full at inception.

This document is issued as evidence of coverage provided in Master Policy No. OASIS0079 issued to the International Mountain Bicycling Association Canada for the Insured Member stated herein who has applied for coverage under and pursuant to said Master Policy.

Countersigned on: May 6, 2023	By:  Authorized Representative
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Oasis Outdoor Adventure and Sport Insurance Solutions Inc. are the sole authorized representatives of the Underwriters for this insurance program, and are the only representatives authorized to explain the insurance coverage which is provided under this insurance program.

Organization **The British Columbia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals**

Registration # 118819036RR001

520 C Falls Street, Nelson BC V1L 6B5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Community Spay-Neuter & Medical Assistance**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area H, City of Nelson, Village of Salmo, Village of Kaslo

The Project takes place and starts at the Nelson BCSPCA including our local vets.

Importance to the community:

There is an ongoing trend of animal owners requesting assistance from the program. Due to rising cost of Vet care, animals owners do not always have the resources to seek spay neuter, vaccines and permanent identification. Funding for the Project will prevent more unexpected litters of kittens and puppies. As well the added protection of a vaccine and parasite prevention lowers the risk of illness/spread of disease like Parvo virus, distemper, FIV, FIP. The public also benefits from the decreased conflict with stray at large animals.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/31/2024 Project End: 6/1/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$600.00			\$330.00	
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$300.00	\$300.00	\$250.00	\$800.00	
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
			\$2,400.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$4,980.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$4,980.00	\$14,420.00	\$14,420.00

1. The project will provide:

The BCSPCA will identify families/persons in need of Spay Neuter/ Medical Assistance via walk-ins, Out Reach workers speaking on behalf of clients, phone calls and referrals. The purpose of the project is to reduce the number of unexpected litters of kittens and puppies. Included in the Project is a standard vaccine, parasite treatment, and permanent lifetime microchip registration with the BC Pet Registry. This will be achieved by working with local Vets, social workers, engaging with the public, educating on the importance of spay neuter and vaccines, vet visits.

2. Organization Mandate:

To protect and enhance the quality of life for domestic, farm, and wild animals in British Columbia.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

There is an ongoing trend of animal owners requesting assistance from the program. Due to rising cost of Vet care, animals owners do not always have the resources to seek spay neuter, vaccines and permanent identification. Funding for the Project will prevent more unexpected litters of kittens and puppies. As well the added protection of a vaccine and parasite prevention lowers the risk of illness/spread of disease like Parvo virus, distemper, FIV, FIP. The public also benefits from the decreased conflict with stray at large animals.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

We are addressing the problem of pet overpopulation, due to unexpected litters of kittens and puppies. These are identified by owner surrender requests, social media posts of puppies/kittens needing homes, roaming intact animals disrupting neighbourhoods. We also get requests from animals owners that can not afford the cost of the procedure of spay/neuter.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organization is well know in the community and surrounding areas, providing outreach with our pet food bank, emergency boarding and general education to the public. We have a great relationship with local vets and we work together to make the project run smoothly. We connect to with animals owners and keep it all about helping the animal owner and build a trusting relationship.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The BC SPCA Animal Centre Manger, staff, Volunteers of the Nelson BCSPCA, local Vets, their staff and animal guardians are all involved in the process.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Our Veterinary partners offer us a discount on all procedures including microchip implantation, vaccines and treatments, pain management and aftercare items.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Fields Forward Society - Kootenay Farms Food Hub**

Registration # S0068935

401 Payne St, Creston British Columbia V0B 1G6

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Expansion of Equipment for Community**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D
Kootenay Farms Food Hub, our community commercial and food processing facility.

Importance to the community:

This project is important because we are providing producers, farmers market vendors and community partners the access to equipment for production that they might not be able to purchase. They can use the food hub to explore business opportunities and scale up their businesses with out large investments on equipment.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 10/19/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,205.00	\$5,250.00	\$3,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$5,250.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slokan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$14,705.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$14,705.00	\$18,605.00	\$18,605.00

Project: Expansion of Equipment for Community

1. The project will provide:

The Kootenay Farms Food Hub is hoping to expand our equipment for community use. Over the past year we have grown our user base primarily focusing on our commercial kitchen and giving access to community. We have multiple Farmers' Market Vendor and other users that are supplying other businesses with baked product for retail sales. We would like to purchase a double decker full size convection oven to offer our users more baking space that would then result in more product being baked and great efficiencies.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Kootenay Farms Food Hub Innovation Centre was created by the Fields Forward Society, whose mandate is to support food and agricultural initiatives in the Creston Valley, including provision of education to farmers about new and emerging technologies and climate change adaptation tools. As part of the Fields Forward Society, the Food Hub meets Fields Forward's commitment to developing a vibrant local agri-food system.

The Food Hub Vision + Mission

The vision for the Food Hub is to foster a thriving regional agriculture and food sector that is a significant contributor to the local economy in the Kootenays.

The mission of the Food Hub is to be a catalyst to help agriculture and food producers and processors improve their sales and economic success.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important because we are providing producers, farmers market vendors and community partners the access to equipment for production that they might not be able to purchase. They can use the food hub to explore business opportunities and scale up their businesses with out large investments on equipment.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The largest opportunity is that our users will be able bake their items more efficiently and have access to more cooking space. We will also be able to accommodate more than one user at a time at the food hub because we will have the access to more equipment that is working towards our second full operating kitchen. We have grown out of our single kitchen capacity.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We are currently operating the Kootenay Farms Food Hub. We are licensed with Interior Health, working towards our HACCP certification and follow food safe practices. User can come into our environment and be supported by our staff and ensure that they are making food safe products for consumption.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Kootenay Farms Food Hub staff and contract installers

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Living Lakes Canada Society**

Registration # 727136327RR0001

#202A, 330 Baker Street, Nelson British Columbia V1L 4H5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Water monitoring for local climate change adaptation**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, RDCK Area K

Monitoring sites have been established across the RDCK on Ktunaxa, Secwepemc, Sinixt and Syilx Nations territories.

The network has been designed to include a diverse range of watershed types. Monitoring carried out at each site can be used to infer conditions of other watersheds with similar characteristics, allowing the knowledge generated to improve understanding of all RDCK watersheds.

Many smaller community-based water stewardship groups also operate in this region - this project aims to complement and support their efforts. LLC would prefer not to receive funds from this program at the expense of applications for local/ Indigenous-led water stewardship initiatives.

Importance to the community:

This project will support improved watershed management and stewardship decisions that benefit all residents of the RDCK. This project is consistent with priorities identified in strategic plans and climate adaptation strategies identified by numerous communities in this area.

The monitoring being carried out responds to the community priorities identified in 2022 and 2023 related to tracking the effects of climate change and other impacts on water supply. Communities need to understand these factors to be able to implement adaptive management in the face of a changing climate.

The data resulting from this program will be shared openly through the Columbia Basin Water Hub database. We will collaborate with data users and produce resources to support interpretation of the data to inform decision making. The resulting information will be used to support local cumulative effects studies, land-use planning, watershed restoration, community adaptation plans and sustainable water usage practices.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

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Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
\$0.00	\$0.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$15,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$15,500.00	\$759,863.00	\$759,863.00

1. The project will provide:

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.

In 2022, we implemented this approach in the RDCK within the Mid Columbia-Kootenay region. In 2023 we expanded to the Lower Columbia-Kootenay region (map attached). Activities for 2024 will include monitoring of stream flow; water temperature; climate; high elevation ecosystems; groundwater, wetland and lake level; water quality and biodiversity at 67 locations across the RDCK.

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.

The monitoring network is responding to the recognized need for 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.

2. Organization Mandate:

Living Lakes Canada (LLC) facilitates collaboration in education, monitoring, restoration and policy development initiatives for the long-term protection of lakes, rivers, wetlands and watersheds in Canada. Our mandate is to help Canadians understand, adapt and mitigate the impacts of climate change to water quality and quantity, biodiversity and healthy human communities through grassroots water stewardship activities. Living Lakes Canada bridges the gap between science and action to foster and normalize citizen-based water stewardship.

LLC serves to address the climate crisis as it relates to people across Canada. Our work encompasses water protection, restoration, and health. We build capacity through community-based water monitoring to help address climate impacts. We promote and facilitate cross-sector collaboration and research to increase water literacy and support progressive decision-making for improved water stewardship. Our successful leadership and stewardship templates have supported the creation of many other grassroots water stewardship groups. LLC has received multiple water stewardship awards and has been recognized by the federal government as a "best practices" example in community-based ecological monitoring in Canada.

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Our internal support functions assist our core programs and are currently managing an annual budget of \$4,344,098 including projects across Canada.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project will support improved watershed management and stewardship decisions that benefit all residents of the RDCK. This project is consistent with priorities identified in strategic plans and climate adaptation strategies identified by numerous communities in this area.

The monitoring being carried out responds to the community priorities identified in 2022 and 2023 related to tracking the effects of climate change and other impacts on water supply. Communities need to understand these factors to be able to implement adaptive management in the face of a changing climate.

The data resulting from this program will be shared openly through the Columbia Basin Water Hub database. We will collaborate with data users and produce resources to support interpretation of the data to inform decision making. The resulting information will be used to support local cumulative effects studies, land-use planning, watershed restoration, community adaptation plans and sustainable water usage practices.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Climate impacts are resulting in extreme temperature and precipitation, flooding, fire events and diminishing glaciers. Existing water monitoring networks are insufficient to track and understand these impacts. Therefore, decision makers and community members do not have access to the information required to improve community climate resilience.

These data gaps have been identified in a series of reports from the Pacific Climate Impacts Consortium (PCIC) and Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) dating back to 2006. These reports highlighted the need for increased water data to help communities understand climate impacts and adapt.

Specific local issues and opportunities were identified through extensive consultation with the communities in 2022 and 2023 through online surveys and meetings, in-person community meetings and direct conversations. All levels of government, First Nations, local stewardship groups and the private sector were involved in community consultation which informed LLC's monitoring site selection.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Living Lakes Canada has been leading the development and implementation of this project since its beginnings in 2017. Results to date, supported by the RDCK ReDi Grants in 2023, are detailed in the attachments to this application.

Our team is composed of 17 qualified full-time employees who bring a wealth of experience facilitating water monitoring and stewardship projects, with seasonal and part-time staff retained as needed. We have contracted the appropriate hydrology professionals to provide scientific guidance and oversight. Additionally, we are connected to a network of industry leaders and professionals who provide in-kind advisory support to our staff.

As this is a large-scale project, we are enhancing our capacity by working with local consultants, stewardship groups and community members to implement the monitoring.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

The project is led by Living Lakes Canada and will be implemented by our staff, primarily based in Nelson. Summer students will be employed, providing job experience opportunities for local youth. Local consultants are also employed to support the operation of monitoring stations and provide technical oversight. Where possible,

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monitoring is carried out in collaboration with community stewardship groups, local governments and Indigenous communities.

- 8. **Minors will be working on this project:** Yes
- 9. **Project will be 100% completed by volunteers:** No
- 10. **Is the project viable without ReDi funding support:** : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

All levels of government, environmental stewardship groups, Indigenous community members and knowledge holders, industrial water users, tourism and recreation operators, community drinking water systems, private sector consultants make in-kind contributions to the project through sharing local concerns and priorities. Many of these groups also contribute their own data to the Columbia Basin Water Hub database where it can be accessed by LLC and other data users. Local governments and landowners provide access to sites and share local observations and conditions. Community members support the monitoring activities as volunteers. We receive discounts and sponsorships from several monitoring equipment and software providers.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

LCK LRG Demographic Breakdown

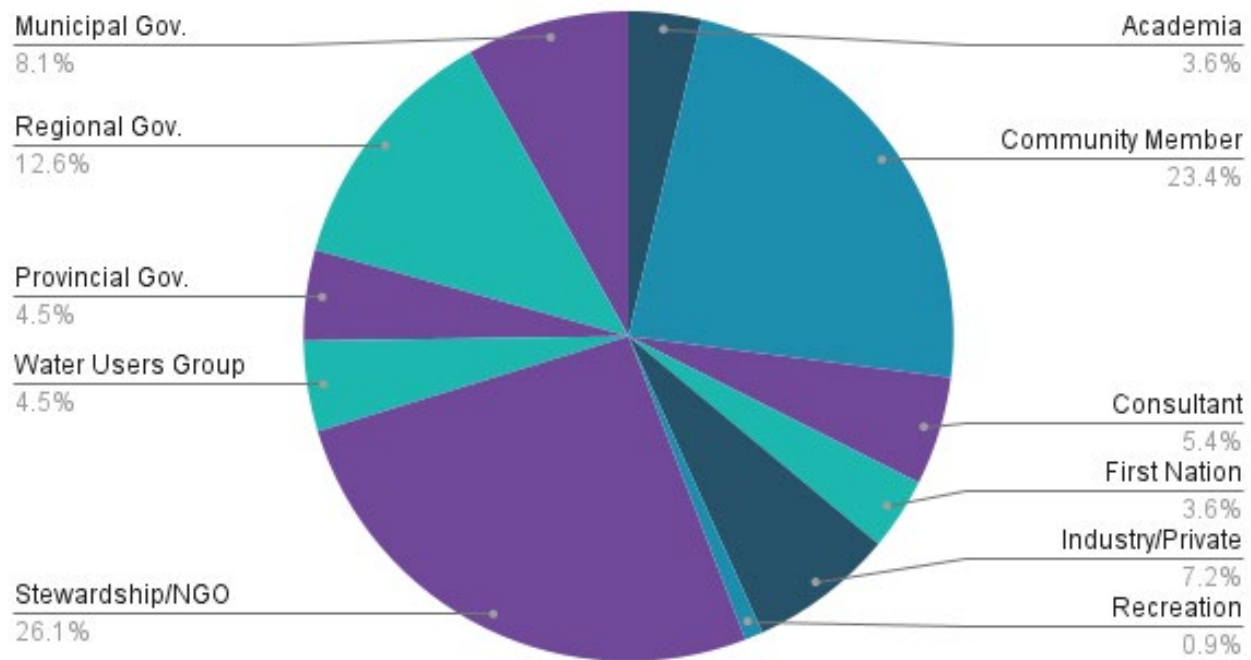


Figure 1: Participation in the Lower Columbia-Kootenay LRG across sectors and demographics.

QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS ABOUT WATER AND CLIMATE CHANGE

At the in-person meetings, participants were asked to generate questions or concerns they have about water and climate change. Prominent themes were around water supply, emergency preparedness and the impacts of human activity.

Select Questions and Concerns About Water and Climate Change From the LCK LRG:

- How will the hydrologic cycle change over time?
- What is the state of groundwater?
- What is the value of water?
- Are there enough monitoring stations to support climate predictions?
- Will my community have enough water (potable/fire hydrant) in future time of drought/wildfire?
- Are disturbed sites and undisturbed sites being monitored for comparison?
- What are the impacts on water quality and quantity from wildlifes or clear cut logging to the riparian edge?
- How vulnerable does our water supply have to be before it will take precedence over industrial interest?
- Will winter flows get lower in the future? What impact will that have on ecosystems, fish and communities?

Climate Change and Water Questions & Concerns by Theme

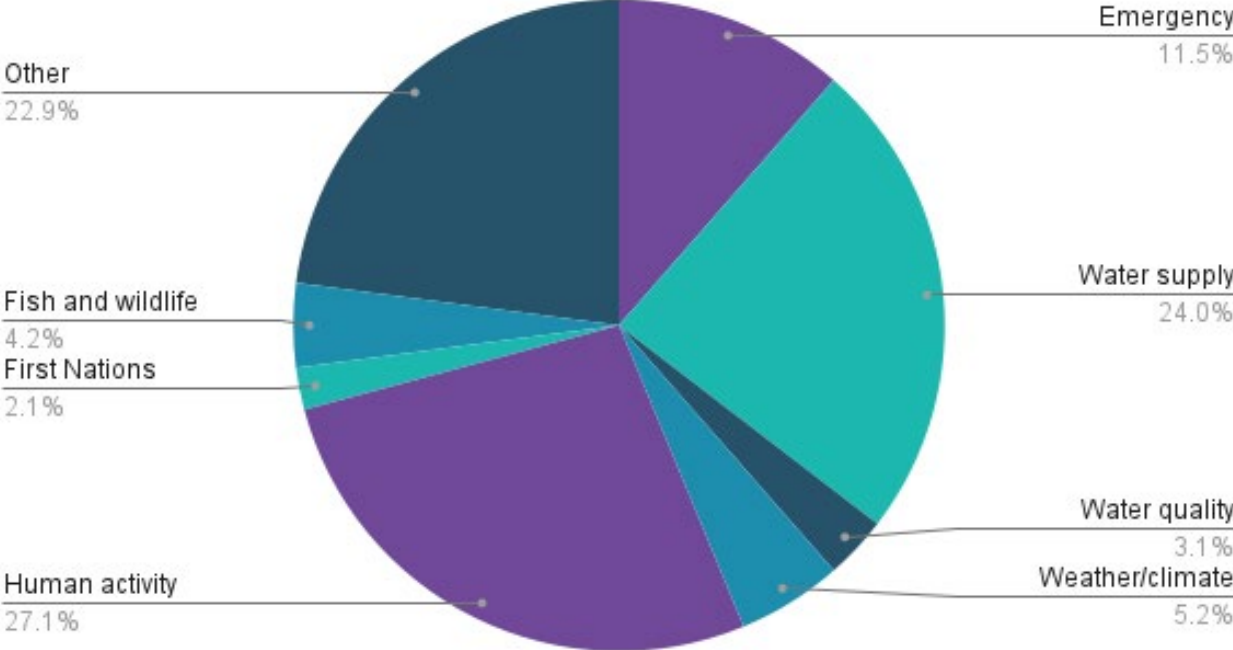


Figure 2: Themes of community concerns and questions from the in-person meetings.

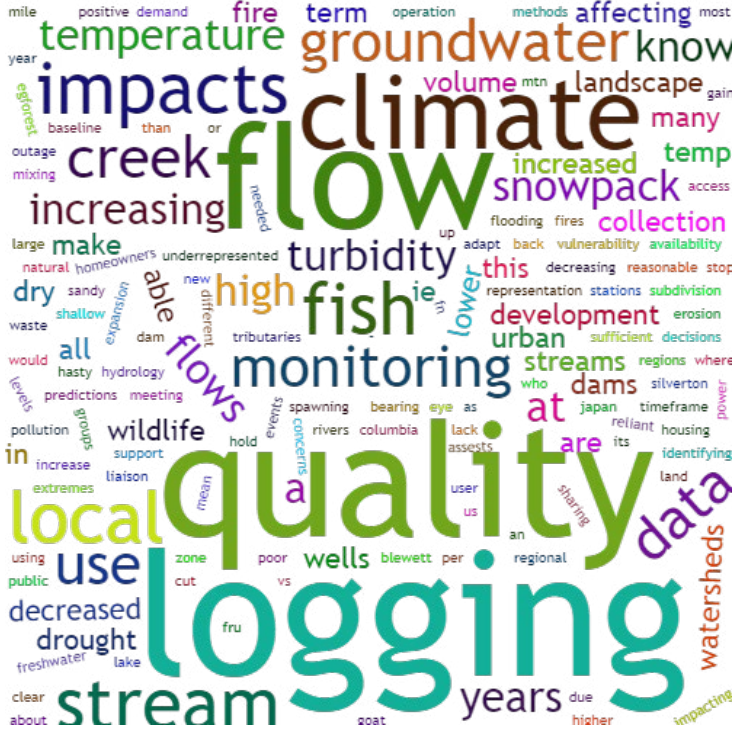


Figure 3: Word cloud of keywords from the climate and water supply questions activity at the in-person LRG meetings. Words mentioned more frequently appear in a larger size.

Dumont Creek Water Users
6377 Paradise Valley Rd Box 155
Winlaw, BC V0G 2J0

December 17th, 2023

Re: Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework

To Whom It May Concern,

The Dumont Creek Water Users group supports Living Lakes Canada's implementation of the Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework (CBWMF) and the associated Columbia Basin Water Hub. Dumont Creek Water Users group was formed in 2019 to enlist community support to protect the Dumont Creek Watershed and Paradise Valley sub-basin. There has been over 100 years of logging and road building activities conducted in this part of Slocan Valley, including the Winlaw Woodlot 1832 tenure holders. The Dumont Creek Water Users group recognizes that the CBWMF offers a localized solution to the Basin-wide need for cost-effective and community-focused water monitoring that supports a science-based approach to decision making related to water supply for communities.

Through the CBWMF, Living Lakes Canada has installed a water monitoring station in Dumont Creek. This station collects hydrometric data to monitor seasonal changes in the volume of water in Dumont Creek. This station has provided valuable data in a catchment area highly influenced by the logging and road building activities of SIFCO. To provide context, extensive habitat fragmentation due to intensified logging and road networks have greatly influenced the Dumont Creek watershed. In 2019 the Dumont Creek Water Users group initiated a petition that stopped SIFCO's attempt to log the watershed. The data collected through the CBWMF is valued for communicating our needs and concerns to the Selkirk Forest District and their Authorization Forester. The Dumont Creek Water Users group therefore endorses the continued development and implementation of the CBWMF and Water Hub to help collect, store, analyze, and share water quantity and quality data in the Columbia Basin.

The work being carried out by Living Lakes Canada and the CBWMF is necessary for an improved understanding of what's needed for watershed resiliency during this time of climate uncertainty. As an organization that has benefitted from the support and resources provided through the CBWMF, the Dumont Creek Water Users group supports Living Lakes Canada in this initiative.

Sincerely,



John Wittmayer

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RE: Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework

To Whom It May Concern,

Slocan lake Stewardship Society (SLSS) is an environmental non-profit society for the protection and conservation of the Slocan Watershed through science, education and advocacy. The Slocan Watershed is an integral part of the Upper Columbia Basin water network, sharing ecological and cultural importance along with the Arrow and Kootenay Lake watersheds. SLSS continues to focus on conservation projects and initiatives that enable us to adapt and protect water sources in the face of climate change.

SLSS supports the Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework (CBWMF), the implementation of the Priority Monitoring Matrix and their ongoing work with the Columbia Basin Water Network (CBWN). SLSS currently does water quality testing on several north Slocan Lake tributaries. Working with Okanagan Nation Alliance in the fall of 2021, SLSS installed an additional 10 temperature loggers on fish bearing streams. On an ongoing basis, SLSS gathers and uploads this data and information into the CBWN.

To complement our current tributary monitoring program, we have a growing need to gain knowledge through alpine wetland, glacial and snow pack monitoring. The majority of our work to date has concentrated on foreshore, creek mouths and valley bottoms. We have recognized there is a long term need for higher elevation data and stream flow information. Since SLSS is dedicated to protecting the quantity and flow of water throughout our watershed, with higher elevation monitoring in place we can gain a greater understanding of climate impacts and improved basis for adapting to climate change in our conservation and restoration efforts.

SLSS endorses this initiative to develop a water monitoring priority matrix, along with a Water Hub and Monitoring Framework for the Columbia Basin. As a participant in the Mid-Columbia Kootenay Local Reference Group, SLSS will share our data, information and knowledge in support of this project. Bringing together water stewards, scientists, conservationists, indigenous, local and provincial communities will provide for well-rounded input that is needed for an initiative of this nature. SLSS recognizes that the multi-discipline, collaborative approach will be effective in developing an expanded, science-based water monitoring program for the Columbia Basin.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W King".

Wendy King, President
Slocan Lake Stewardship Society
Ph: 250-358-2826
E-Mail: wkconsul@telusplanet.net



MEMO

DATE: September 22, 2023

TO: Mid-Columbia Kootenay Local Reference Group

FROM: Living Lakes Canada

SUBJECT: CBWMF Pilot Year Data Summary for Mid-Columbia Kootenay Hydrologic Region

Living Lakes Canada acknowledges that the Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework project referenced in this Memo is taking place in the unceded traditional territories of the Ktunaxa, Lheidli T'enneh, Secwepemc, Sinixt and Syilx Nations who have stewarded these lands for generations. Recognizing Indigenous People as the rightful caretakers of their unceded territories, we work to complement their intergenerational work and Indigenous-led water stewardship initiatives.

Living Lakes Canada is completing its first year of data collection through the [Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework](#) (CBWMF) project. As part of the project's pilot year, water quantity, water quality, and climate were monitored in three sub-regions of the Canadian Columbia River Basin: the Mid-Columbia Kootenay (MCK), Columbia-Kootenay Headwaters (CKH), and Elk River Valley (ERV). The importance of this monitoring in understanding the state of freshwater in the Columbia Basin cannot be overstated — 2023 has been an unprecedented year with regard to snowfall, rainfall, drought, and wildfires. The following summary of surface water and climate conditions is based on the hydrometric and climate data that were collected in the MCK region. A full report will be released early 2024.

Across the MCK region, lower-than-average snowpack was followed by above-average spring and summer air temperatures, contributing to a very early melt of the snowpack and snow-free conditions one month earlier than is typically recorded. This early onset of spring snowmelt is what is expected under climate change and provides important context for future conditions. Climate monitoring at the Kokanee Glacier site (conducted by Alpine Club of Canada) found that the high air temperatures in April resulted in an early spring melt. These conditions are similar to what was observed throughout British Columbia.

Seasonal streamflow patterns show the effects of sustained high air temperatures, much earlier than normal snowmelt, and lower than normal precipitation during the spring. An exceptionally early melt was recorded by our hydrometric stations on MacDonald, Caribou, Silverton, Upper Wilson and Fitzstubb's Creeks. The data show that the above seasonal air temperatures at the end of April triggered snow melt resulting in streamflows and water levels peaking in mid-May, one month ahead of typical freshet events. During this time, all creeks in the CBWMF showed a strong diurnal pattern, demonstrating that streamflow was driven by run-off from snowmelt, which reaches a maximum during mid-day when unseasonal air temperatures and solar radiation were highest. Since this time,

exceptionally hot and dry weather during the summer have spurred continued declines in historically low levels for many streams through the MCK.

This early melt combined with a hotter and drier than normal summer has had a significant impact on glacial-dominated systems such as Upper Glacier Creek. After several days of maximum daily air temperatures above 30°C, we observed increasing flows in the creek driven by the melting of high elevation snow and glacier ice. Streamflow patterns observed on Glacier Creek to date indicate that it is being fed by glacial melt. Continued monitoring of [Upper Glacier Creek](#) will allow us to track the changing input to water systems from glacially-fed streams as glaciers continue to recede. Data obtained from Glacier Creek will help to inform our understanding of how fast glaciers are melting in the Columbia River Basin and the impact on streamflow; this information can then enable modeling of nearby basins that contain glaciers, many of which are important water sources for local residents.

The unseasonably high spring air temperatures and corresponding streamflow patterns also impacted lake levels across the region. According to The [International Kootenay Lake Board of Control](#), high air temperatures in early spring caused water levels in Kootenay Lake to peak on May 18, 2023, one month earlier than historically reported. The [Arrow Lake](#) Reservoir has experienced lower than average inflows from tributary streams, contributing to a significant decline in water levels ([Arrow Lake conditions](#)). The CBWMF program is monitoring tributaries to both of these systems.

With continued monitoring, data collected by the CBWMF will be instrumental in supporting local climate adaptation and freshwater stewardship in the MCK region.

The CBWMF project is intended to expand upon the valuable monitoring and stewardship work carried out by local stewardship groups, First Nations, provincial agencies, municipal and regional governments, and the private sector to fill important data gaps across the region's complex landscapes. These include:

- Arrow Lakes Environmental Stewardship Society
- Alpine Club of Canada
- Central Kootenay Invasive Species Society
- Slocan Lake Stewardship Society
- Slocan River Streamkeepers Society
- Valhalla Mountain Touring
- Village of Silverton

Water data for the MCK are shared on the Columbia Basin Water Hub by many of these groups and can be found [here](#). Preliminary MCK data from the CBWMF project is available [here](#).

Living Lakes Canada continues to welcome community feedback and collaboration on the CBWMF project, and encourages the sharing of water data through the Columbia Basin Water Hub database.

If you have any questions, please contact: Paige Thurston, CBWMF Program Manager, at paige@livinglakescanada.ca.

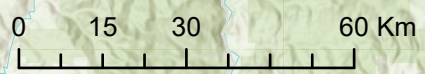
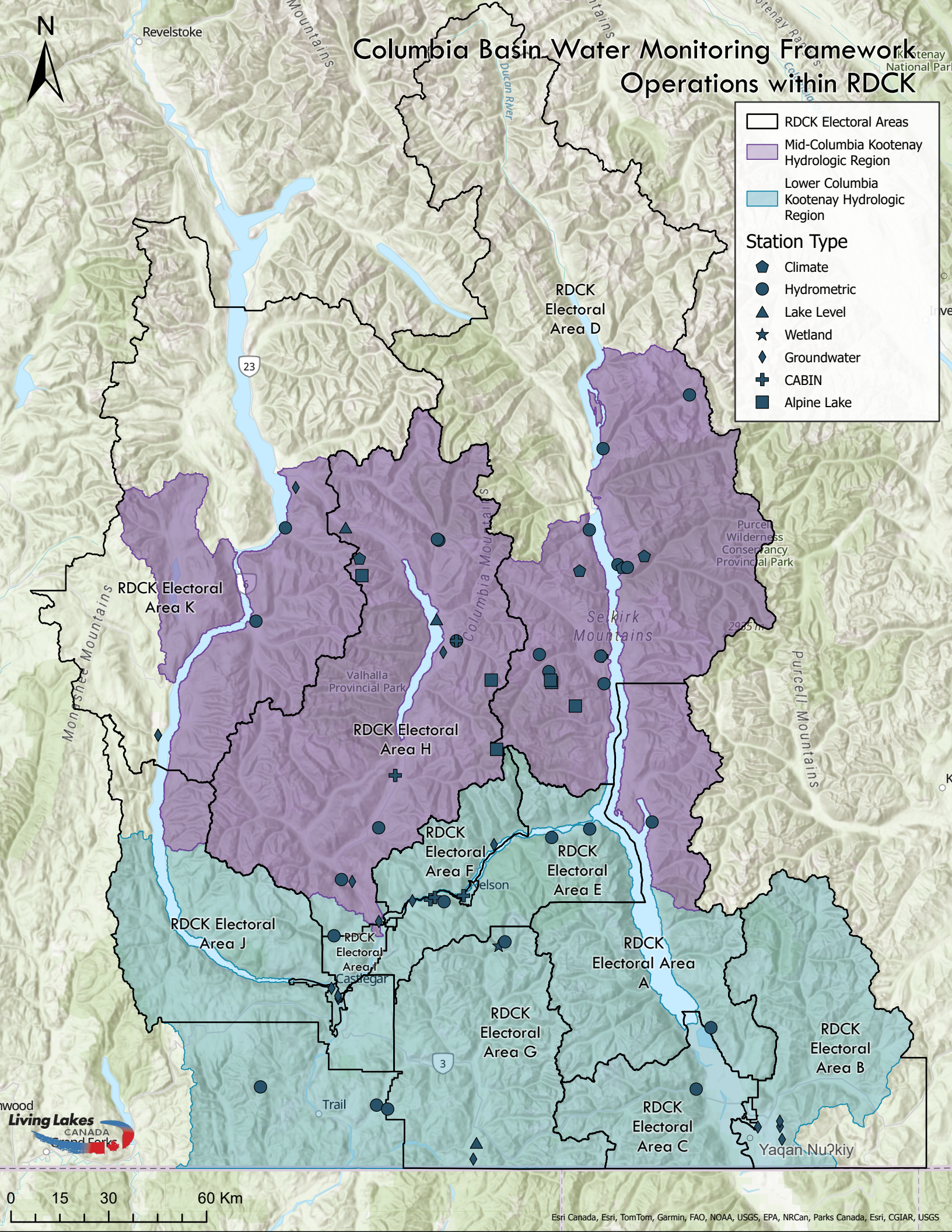
To learn more about the CBWMF, visit www.livinglakescanada.ca/cbwmf.

Columbia Basin Water Monitoring Framework

Operations within RDCK



	RDCK Electoral Areas
	Mid-Columbia Kootenay Hydrologic Region
	Lower Columbia Kootenay Hydrologic Region
Station Type	
	Climate
	Hydrometric
	Lake Level
	Wetland
	Groundwater
	CABIN
	Alpine Lake



Organization **CRESTON VALLEY FALL FAIR ASSOCIATION**

Registration # 850609280BC001

PO BOX 95, CRESTON BRITISH COLUMBIA V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Creston Valley Fall Fair 2024**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston
Town of Creston.

Importance to the community:

We will bring arts, food, and culture together in one venue in the Creston Valley. All visitors to the fair have the opportunity to take part in all the fair has to offer. As part of the fair, a local food feast, featuring local products purchased from local producers, will be offered. Profits from the food feast go back into the community in the form of the BC Farmer's Market Nutrition Coupon Program Fund. The fair is also a venue for a silent auction hosted by the Creston Valley Agricultural Society that funds an agriculture grant for further education. It also gives local businesses the opportunity to support the fair, advertise and engage with their customers.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 9/6/2024 Project End: 9/7/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,808.00	\$3,716.00	\$3,616.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$10,075.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$19,215.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$19,215.00	\$46,030.00	\$46,030.00

1. The project will provide:

To host an annual fall fair which will be a showcase the finest local livestock and garden produce, baking, preserves, crafts, and youth exhibits. Demonstrate the value of agriculture to our local economy through displays and activities. To show the country side of life to those who might be unfamiliar, by inviting the public, artisans, and farmers to participate in various activities. This is an inclusive event, and we welcome everyone to participate.

2. Organization Mandate:

1. To hold an annual fair, which will be a showcase of the finest local livestock, farm and garden produce, baking, preserves, crafts and other exhibits.
2. To demonstrate the value of agriculture to our economy through various displays and activities.
3. To show the "country side of life" to people who may not be familiar, thereby promoting a sense of understanding and co-operation for the benefit of all.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

We will bring arts, food, and culture together in one venue in the Creston Valley. All visitors to the fair have the opportunity to take part in all the fair has to offer. As part of the fair, a local food feast, featuring local products purchased from local producers, will be offered. Profits from the food feast go back into the community in the form of the BC Farmer's Market Nutrition Coupon Program Fund. The fair is also a venue for a silent auction hosted by the Creston Valley Agricultural Society that funds an agriculture grant for further education. It also gives local businesses the opportunity to support the fair, advertise and engage with their customers.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This is an opportunity to bring the community together. This Fair has run for over 100 years and is a community highlight. A community survey was circulated to identify areas of community interest and opportunities to improve and we will be working to implement them. Two areas identified were children's games and agricultural education for youth. We will be implementing these.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Fall Fair has been delivered by the Creston Valley Fall Fair Association for 105 years. We have experienced, knowledgeable, dedicated directors, and volunteers. Because this is an enormous effort, we rely heavily on volunteers, including the help of local community groups such as the local quilter's guild, to hold this event. This year we're also looking to collaborate with other community associations, such the Libations Society to carry this out, which lightens our load.

Last year, we had record attendance. We increased activities in the barn, and had more entries than the previous year. Additionally, we hosted a very successful Night Farmer's Market, which drew a lot of people.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Creston Valley Fall Fair Association and many volunteers from the community.

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Project: Creston Valley Fall Fair 2024

1700 volunteer hours.

In kind donations: sawdust, tractor rental, trailer storage, chocolate milk, pallet jack.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Kootenay Lake Historical Society**

Registration # S0005444

324 Front Street, Kaslo British Columbia V0G 1M0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **The SS Moyie Educational Project: Engaging Schools and Communities and Sustaining Legacy**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H

This project will take place at the National Historic Site, the SS Moyie as well as in the classrooms, community centres, and homes of those who wish to have the educational resources that are created to enhance this project. The Special Event Day activities would take place on the S.S. Moyie itself, as well as on the grounds surrounding the ship, and in the Kaslo Visitor Centre.

Importance to the community:

This project is important for everyone in Kaslo as the Moyie represents a big part of the identity of our community. Developing a greater understanding of the importance of our historical past, including how the steamships and indigenous collaborated back then and today is knowledge that needs to be shared. Special events give people a chance to come together and share experiences while learning about the history of our region. Various sectors of the community stand to gain from this initiative: residents of all ages, particularly students and teachers, benefit educationally, contributing to the narrative of Kootenay Lake's Sternwheelers. Socially, guests bond over exploration aboard the aesthetically captivating ship and experience personal enrichment. Economically, local businesses stand to profit as guests visit the shops and restaurants. The project intertwines education, social cohesion, and economic growth, fostering a deeper appreciation for Kaslo's heritage while invigorating its tourism landscape.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/27/2024 Project End: 10/11/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$3,350.00	\$200.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$200.00				
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
		\$200.00		
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
			\$250.00	\$200.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING	\$5,000.00

			REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$5,000.00	\$5,750.00	\$5,750.00

1. The project will provide:

The SS Moyie Educational Project aims to foster community engagement, ignite historical curiosity, and uphold a lasting legacy centred around the SS Moyie, a beloved 125-year-old Sternwheeler and National Historic Site in Kaslo. This initiative seeks to illuminate the invaluable historical treasure within the community, enhancing local residents' appreciation, attracting tourists' interest and fostering a deeper connection within the rural schools. By accentuating the historical significance of the Moyie, the project endeavours to draw visitors of all ages to experience the vessel firsthand.

The project intends to achieve its objectives through two strategic approaches. Firstly, the creation of educational resources tailored for schools and community groups aims to enrich the understanding of the Moyie's historical importance among younger generations and regionally. Secondly, by hosting special event days aboard the Moyie, it seeks to create immersive experiences that captivate visitors, offering them a tangible connection to the vessel's storied past.

Through these concerted efforts, the SS Moyie Educational Project endeavours to build a profound sense of pride and ownership within the region, while also positioning Kaslo as a compelling destination for history enthusiasts and tourists alike. By engaging communities, inspiring appreciation for history, and sustaining the legacy of the SS Moyie, this project aspires to leave an enduring mark on both local culture and heritage tourism.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Kootenay Lake Historical Society is the custodian of the S.S. Moyie, the oldest intact passenger sternwheeler in the world and a National Historic Site. The Moyie plied Kootenay Lake for 59 years. The Society also operates the Kootenay Lake Archives, which is responsible for a collection of materials and original photographs pertaining to the history of the Kaslo area and Kootenay Lake sternwheelers. Our mandate also includes the promotion of local history in the area.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important for everyone in Kaslo as the Moyie represents a big part of the identity of our community. Developing a greater understanding of the importance of our historical past, including how the steamships and indigenous collaborated back then and today is knowledge that needs to be shared. Special events give people a chance to come together and share experiences while learning about the history of our region. Various sectors of the community stand to gain from this initiative: residents of all ages, particularly students and teachers, benefit educationally, contributing to the narrative of Kootenay Lake's Sternwheelers. Socially, guests bond over exploration aboard the aesthetically captivating ship and experience personal enrichment. Economically, local businesses stand to profit as guests visit the shops and restaurants. The project intertwines education, social cohesion, and economic growth, fostering a deeper appreciation for Kaslo's heritage while invigorating its tourism landscape.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This project seeks to address several key issues and opportunities. The issue of the decreased visitor numbers to the Moyie in recent years likely due to the pandemic and the closure of the Moyie during the restoration project.

Project: The SS Moyie Educational Project: Engaging Schools and Communities and Sustaining Legacy

Regarding an opportunity to enhance the tourism appeal of Kaslo, a shared priority among its residents, as well as economically benefiting the community at large. Rejuvenating community engagement by providing a focal point for participation and pride in preserving local history. Igniting historical curiosity among residents and visitors, encouraging a deeper appreciation for the cultural heritage embodied by the Moyie and its significance to the region. The project aspires to uphold a lasting legacy by ensuring the preservation and continued relevance of the Sternwheeler as a symbol of Kaslo's rich history. These objectives were identified through community consultations, historical research, and recognition of the need to safeguard and promote the unique heritage.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Kootenay Lake Historical Society is ideally positioned to spearhead the SS Moyie Educational Project due to its core mandate of promoting local history. With a clear commitment to this objective, the Society is equipped to develop educational resources, forge partnerships with schools and community groups, and organize special events at the Moyie. Leveraging the resources of the Kootenay Lake Archives and drawing upon the expertise of its staff and board, the Society has a proven track record of engaging residents and tourists alike in exploring Kaslo's heritage. With a deep-seated dedication to the project's objectives, the Society ensures sustained effort and commitment throughout its duration. The opportunity to delve into the remarkable history of the SS Moyie, the world's oldest intact sternwheeler, resonates strongly with the community, making the Society uniquely suited to deliver on this initiative.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

The implementation of this project would be overseen by multiple individuals who would share in the work. The educational resources, including learning materials, video links, and interactive assets would be created by the staff and volunteer board of the Kootenay Lake Historical Society. Interactive assets may require a third party to help build them. The interpretative tours of the Moyie and grounds would be implemented by the staff and volunteers. The Special Events would be implemented by Visitor Centre seasonal staff - under the direction of their supervisor and the volunteer board of directors of the KLHS.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

In addition to cash contributions, various other forms of support and resources are being contributed to the SS Moyie Educational Project. These contributions include:

1. In-kind donations: We will reach out to our local businesses who may provide goods or services such as materials for educational resources, printing services, prizes for special events, or ad space at reduced or no cost.
2. Volunteer hours: Community members and our board will volunteer their time and expertise to assist with project planning, organization, and execution and promotion of events.
3. Expertise and knowledge sharing: Professionals or experts in relevant fields, such as history, education, or tourism, will be asked and may provide guidance, advice, or training to project organizers and volunteers.
4. Access to facilities or equipment: Schools, libraries, or other institutions may offer access to facilities or equipment for educational workshops, presentations, or exhibitions related to the project.

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5. Promotion and marketing: Media outlets, such as local newspapers and radio stations may donate advertising space or airtime to help promote project events and initiatives.

These non-monetary contributions are essential to the success of the project and demonstrate the broader community's commitment and support for preserving and promoting Kaslo's heritage through the SS Moyie Educational Project.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Kootenay Wellness Foundation**

Registration # XS0078058

514 Vernon Street, Nelson British Columbia V1L 6H3

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Kootenay Yoga Festival**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, RDCK Area K, City of Nelson, Town of Creston, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, City of Castlegar, Village of Salmo

Our festival takes place at the Vallican Whole Community Center in RDCK Area H but we will be making connections between folks throughout the West Kootenay region and encourage attendance from all surrounding communities. We have also held events in Castlegar & Nelson and are making allies with other festivals in the area. We use the Kootenay Yoga Festival & our year-round events as a platform to connect with the greater community which provides us more support & participation each year and brings us closer to our organization's larger vision; to create a community bursary fund for alternative health services.

Importance to the community:

This is the fourth year running the festival and the positive impact we've seen on at-risk individuals, local businesses, private health practitioners, and the community as a whole is significant. This project is incredibly important for promoting a healthier lifestyle for all communities in the Kootenays which greatly benefits our region as a whole. The long-term goal of our foundation is to create a community bursary fund which can support up to 100 low-income people with their well-being by giving access to holistic health services in the area. This will also allow more support to local businesses & private health practitioners as they will be able to reach a wider scope of clients, contributing to a conscious local economy. We will also promote indigenous health and reconciliation through our collaboration with the Autonomous Sinixt people and will create more awareness about the traditional territory we live on today.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/27/2024 Project End: 5/5/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$800.00	\$800.00	\$400.00	\$900.00	\$800.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$800.00	\$3,000.00	\$5,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$800.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
\$150.00	\$2,000.00	\$150.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING	\$27,150.00

			REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$27,150.00	\$55,250.00	\$55,250.00

1. The project will provide:

Our organization has been running an annual wellness & arts based festival in the Slocan Valley area, currently titled 'Kootenay Yoga Festival'. This is an inclusive event that not only promotes personal health but also fosters community engagement and supports local talent. Our upcoming event in September 2024 marks the fourth year of the festival and we expect approximately 300 attendants, attracting guests from the local area as well as from out of town. The festival builds a bridge between surrounding communities, artists, and wellness cultures in the West Kootenays and serves as a platform for individuals and groups to showcase their passions, performances, wisdom, and skills. Local artists will share their offerings throughout the weekend and we will also provide access to a diverse range of yoga & movement classes, self-development workshops, and educational talks. Surrounded by the natural beauty of the Sinixt tÉ™mxwÃ¸laÉ”xw (homeland), participants can learn about our local First Nations culture and traditional territory. We have formed a solid alliance with the Autonomous Sinixt, with their support, we create awareness on reconciliation and the cultural values of the Sinixt peoples through educational workshops with elder, Marilyn James. Our main focus is to make art and holistic wellness more accessible to the general public by creating an environment that supports physical, mental, emotional, and creative health.

2. Organization Mandate:

Kootenay Wellness Foundation is a non-profit organization with a mission to support individuals with their health & wellness by encouraging the use of the various holistic services offered throughout the Kootenay region. Our mandate is to make the wellness industry more accessible to the public to improve the overall health of our community. We work with financial barriers of individuals & families to provide free resources & low-income services for physical, mental & emotional well-being. Our goal is to empower people to improve their own lives through self-care and ancestral healing practices as well as to create a circular economy with the local businesses, practitioners & facilitators in our area. Overall our project budget is approximately \$50,000.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This is the fourth year running the festival and the positive impact we've seen on at-risk individuals, local businesses, private health practitioners, and the community as a whole is significant. This project is incredibly important for promoting a healthier lifestyle for all communities in the Kootenays which greatly benefits our region as a whole. The long-term goal of our foundation is to create a community bursary fund which can support up to 100 low-income people with their well-being by giving access to holistic health services in the area. This will also allow more support to local businesses & private health practitioners as they will be able to reach a wider scope of clients, contributing to a conscious local economy. We will also promote indigenous health and reconciliation through our collaboration with the Autonomous Sinixt people and will create more awareness about the traditional territory we live on today.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

We recognize the large population of at-risk individuals within our local communities who struggle with financial hardships as well as physical, mental & emotional health issues. As a result, we see a greater need for alternative health services to manage the daily stresses of life as well as more events, especially in rural areas, to enhance community connection. Our foundation is actively working on creating more accessibility to these services by offering a discounted ticket program to the festival for low-income folks as well as special youth passes and a

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volunteer program which provides free entry as an exchange. By offering year-round events at an accessible price, we can also increase community involvement at our local gatherings & workshops. In addition, we will be using mobile outreach to bring events closer to those in rural communities and providing transportation options for those who may have difficulty traveling to our festival.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our team is a group of hard working individuals who are committed to improving our community through the vision of our foundation. Each person has the capacity to manage their time appropriately, complete important tasks successfully and use their valuable skills to make this project a reality. Our current team consists of Event Coordinator, Fundraising Director, Finance Assistant, Website Designer, Digital Marketing & Communications Manager, Sound & Tech Coordinator and Executive Director. We have had a very successful outcome from previous year's festivals and events, with lots of positive feedback and collaboration from our community. This has allowed us to grow a lot as an organization since the initial conception of this project. We are certain that we will be able to have the same kind of success in 2024 and we are very motivated by how we can truly impact the wellbeing of those living in our region.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

Our KYF team of skilled individuals has been generously volunteering their time & energy for the start up of this project, however, this is an initiative that requires support from our entire community. We have a detailed plan for volunteer involvement with clear roles to support the planning & production of our events. We have also assembled an advisory board with members who have expertise in relevant areas and we regularly engage with them for guidance and feedback on how to successfully complete our project. Our sponsorship program also allows local businesses to be involved in and support the event.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

- Over 400 volunteer hours from staff positions,
- 50 hours consultation time from advisors

In-Kind Donations

The Hume Hotel - \$100.00
 Yasodhara Ashram - \$110.00
 Oso Negro Coffee - \$115.50
 Ralcomm - \$213.00
 Happy Gut Pro - \$215.28
 Kootenay Co-Op - \$250.00
 Kootenay Bakery - \$257.75
 Viva Cacao - \$300.00
 Kootenay Kombucha - \$336.00
 Hall Printing - \$100.00
 Mountain Valley Media - \$600.00
 The Jam Factory Co-working space - \$1,929.38
 Retreat Guru - \$1,617.00
 Life Untethered Coaching - \$1,500.00

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Top Knott - \$600.00
Embracing Life - \$800.00
Love of Shiva - \$220.00
RONA/Maglios - \$397.98
Shady Spaces Corp - \$697.50
Radio Winlove - \$600.00

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



Letter of Support

January 25, 2024

Kootenay Wellness Foundation/Kootenay Yoga Festival

To whom it may concern,

I would like to offer my support for the Kootenay Yoga Festival and Kootenay Wellness Foundation. I believe it fills an important community function here in the Slocan Valley.

In my work to develop an updated Economic Development Strategic Plan for the Slocan Valley, I reached out to a dozen local industry leaders, including Amy Heasman (KYF) from the Wellness sector. Amy helped by providing me with her observations and suggestions how stakeholders might best support the local Wellness industry.

The following recommendations can be found on page 51 of the Strategic Plan, which guides the work of the Slocan Valley Economic Development Partnership;

- Support non-profit organizations that support the Wellness sector.
- Support wellness classes, workshops and community networking opportunities.
- Sponsor community wellness events like the Kootenay Yoga Festival.

Over the past year I have witnessed Amy's initiative and development of the festival and foundation and have supported her, as best I could. I find Amy to be very collaborative, well-organized and community-minded. I have no doubt that her endeavours will prove fruitful and beneficial to the Slocan Valley community.

Additionally, I appreciate KYF's dedication to acknowledging and including meaningful local First Nations involvement.

I encourage other stakeholders to support Kootenay Wellness Foundation's work wherever possible.

Sincerely,

Ron LeBlanc

Slocan Valley Economic Development Coordinator - Community Futures of Central Kootenay
Serving Slocan, Silvertown, New Denver and RDCK Area H

Autonomous Sinixt

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To whom it may concern,

Autonomous Sinixt recognizes the Kootenay Wellness Foundation as an important local organization that provides access to barrier-free alternative health services to those in need throughout our local area. We recognize that holistic services are essential for optimal physical, mental & emotional wellbeing and that healthy individuals will make a healthier community for us all to live in. We will be supporting the Kootenay Wellness Foundation as they expand in their endeavors and look forward to the positive impact that it will create across the West Kootenay Region.

We appreciate the Kootenay Yoga Festival's efforts to include Sinixt cultural protocols and teachings in their mission, as a step towards establishing right relations with the land and the water in the Sinixt təmx'wúlaʔx (land) and creating accountability in reconciliation efforts.

Warm Regards,
Marilyn James
Autonomous Sinixt Matriarch



Schedule



SPACES

SPECTRUM FIRE EARTH AIR WATER ETHER

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16TH

9.00am - 10.00am	Somatic Yoga Flow / Heather Boyer	Buti Yoga / Tracy Frimpong	Intro to Yoga Philosophy / Stacey Arseneau & Rāj Chahāl	Sacred Breath / Danya Buac	*START AT 10h00am* Beyond Mindfulness Meditation / Terry Sidhu (75mins)	Cultivating Relationship with Green People / Cheryl Cook (90mins)
10.30am - 11.45am	Bhakti Yoga, The Story Inside / Jen Lebedoff (60mins)	Hand Drumming Workshop / Trevor Scott	Discover your Authentic Needs Through Ayurveda / Alison Evin (60mins)	Natural Dyes For a Colourful Future / Owen Nakamura	CLOSED	*START AT 11h00am* Kundalini Yoga / Surya Adi (60mins)
12.00pm - 1.30pm	LUNCH BREAK					
1.30pm - 2.30pm	Hold Yourself Accountable in Sinixt təm̓x̓'úlaʔx̓' / Marilyn James	CLOSED	Heal the Root Cause / Natalie Sawyer	CLOSED	Unpacking Emotional Triggers / Peta Thompson (90mins)	CLOSED
3.00pm - 4.30pm	Full Spectrum Flow with DJ / Leah Brown & Joaquin (75mins)	Tantric Meditation Workshop / Terry Sidhu (75mins)	Introduction to Bio Dynamic Principles & Compost Prep / Surya Adi (60mins)	Forest Play & Flow / Andrea Fox	*START AT 3h30pm* Sexual Healing / Tonya Don (90mins)	Hoola Hoop Workshop / Georgia Aurelia (60mins)
4.45pm - 6.00pm	Intro to Contact Improv Dance / Lena Timmermann	Restorative Yoga with Tuning Forks / Ellissa Crete	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
6.00pm - 7.00pm	DINNER BREAK					
6.15pm	Carolyn Medicine Songs and Flute performance	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
7.30pm - 9.00pm	Dance Journey into your Authentic Self - Elkemist, Dave & Trevor	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH

10.00am - 11.00am	Vinyasa Krama for Sustainable Daily Practice - Stacey Arseneau	Awaken The Wild Within - Erin Thomson	Regenerative Gardening within Rural and Urban Environments / Owen Nakamura	Deep Relaxation Journey / Andrea Fox	Reclaiming Ourselves Meditation Journey - Shelley Tomelin	Walking the Circle / Emma Cardinal (90mins)
11.30am - 12.30pm	The Art of Walking / Leah Carnahan	The SOMA Energized Meditation / Nicolas Auger-Chrétien	Moving Beyond Performative Allyship / Cheryl Cook	Magic and ritual for the modern mystic / Amber Tree	Awakening to a Deeper Belonging / Tahini Fornes	*START AT 11h30am* Sensory Meditation - Onasis Lama & Alison Evin (60mins)
12.30pm - 2.00pm	LUNCH BREAK					
2.00pm - 3.30pm	Harmonic Flow: Yang-Yin Yoga / Lisa Cyr, Trevor Scott & Dave	Vocal Alchemy / Carolyn Wall (60mins)	Unveiling Karma: Connecting Money and Mindfulness / Rāj Chahāl (75mins)	CLOSED	Sacred Sexuality / Tonya Don	Sacred Elements Ritual - Florence Gérin Beaulac
4.00pm - 5.30pm	*START AT 3h45pm* Embodied Liberation: Unleashing Authentic Movement - Lena Zimmermann	*START AT 3h30pm* Embodied Anatomy & Functional Movement / Heather Boyer (60mins)	*START AT 3h45pm* The Zodiac Wheel / Luna Veronica (60mins)	*START AT 3h30pm* Exploring Your Wilderness: Yoga for Recovery / Jen Lebedoff (75mins)	Community building through the eyes, heart and mind / Amber Tree	CLOSED
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Open Dance Space - Joaquin Klein	Yoga Nidra & Sound Journey Dave & Erika	CLOSED	CLOSED	Introduction to Circling - Jase Aether	CLOSED
6.00pm - 7.00pm	DINNER BREAK					
6.15pm - 7.15pm	Heart Opening Melodie's - Molly Jo	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
7.30pm - 8.30pm	Inclusive Concert - Avery Florence	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED

Organization **Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association**

Registration # S0039219
Box 319, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **100 Years of Ice Sports**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

The CDCC is one of the most well used facilities in the Creston Valley and is used by community members and visitors from around the region, from Kitchener to Gray Creek and beyond. Hosting youth and adult sports leagues, recreational events, and even indoors farmers markets, the CDCC is a hub for all ages, genders, and ethnicities, and will be a well visited and relevant location to permanently display local talent, history, and cultivate inspiration. The Johnny Bucyk Arena will be the perfect home for this exhibit, celebrating 100 Years of Ice Sports in the Creston Valley.

Importance to the community:

At the forefront, the Legacy Project will start with celebrating athletes, including youth, sports heroes, coaches and others in the valley. It will highlight the achievements of local Hall of Famers such as Johnny Bucyk and Jet Fumerton, bringing joy to families, friends, and youth inspired by their efforts and pride to the community. At a deeper level however, the Legacy Project is about what has come from the community coming together, competing, gaining physical literacy, learning about teamwork, and meeting individuals from neighboring communities.

The permanent display will show how we came together to play broom ball, curling, figure skating, to watch our young ones or professional athletes, and how we built community along the way. While honoring our past, the display we intend to create will use ice sports as a platform to motivate and inspire continued community growth and connection.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/17/2024 Project End: 10/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,500.00	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$5,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$17,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$17,500.00	\$76,500.00	\$76,500.00

1. The project will provide:

Creston celebrates its centennial in 2024. Such a milestone prompted a reflection of the area's rich and diverse history; acknowledging that ice sports have been key to integrating local and diverse communities, the Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association (CVMHA) sought and acquired hosting the 2023/24 U18 Tier 4 Provincial Championships to celebrate this.

This strategic alignment of the Championships with the centennial provides a golden opportunity to collaborate with the community in showcasing a century of ice sports in the Creston Valley. The proposed project endeavors to create a permanent exhibit in the Creston & District Community Complex (CDCC) that incorporates influential local athletes, historic highlights, immersive storytelling, and curated artifacts to vividly display how ice sports have brought the Creston Valley community together for 100 years. Beyond preserving and celebrating the sporting heritage, the exhibit will aim to cultivate a profound sense of pride and recognition for local athletes and their accomplishments, including highlighting that Creston is located on the unceded traditional territory of the Ktunaxa Nation and Yaqan Nukiy People and celebrating their contributions to the local sports community and shared history of the area.

Ultimately, the project seeks to elevate community awareness and appreciation of our shared history based around ice sports, provide opportunities for community engagement and celebration, and motivate further community connection into the future.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Society dedicates itself to the advancement of Amateur Hockey for all individuals registered with the Society through progressive leadership by ensuring meaningful opportunities and enjoyable experiences in a safe, sportsmanlike environment.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

At the forefront, the Legacy Project will start with celebrating athletes, including youth, sports heroes, coaches and others in the valley. It will highlight the achievements of local Hall of Famers such as Johnny Bucyk and Jet Fumerton, bringing joy to families, friends, and youth inspired by their efforts and pride to the community. At a deeper level however, the Legacy Project is about what has come from the community coming together, competing, gaining physical literacy, learning about teamwork, and meeting individuals from neighboring communities.

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4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

First, the Legacy Project aims to ensure that the community gains a comprehensive awareness of its heritage through promoting a shared understanding of the impactful nature of sports in local history. In achieving this goal, the project will also stimulate recognition of the sporting heroes that came from Creston Valley and surrounding communities, seeking to elevate understanding of their accomplishments and acknowledgement of their contributions.

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Understanding the community's past will support future decision making, funding, and resource allocation to support youth, sports, and community wellness into the future.

The CDCC and Johnny Bucyk Arena are one of the only facilities in the Kootenays without a display or exhibit celebrating local sports and community and this project seeks to bridge the gap. The CVMHA has long been excited to bring this idea to life and to create an engaging display to inspire and motivate our community, young athletes and visitors alike.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

As a major benefactor of our rich ice sports history, the CVMHA was inspired to take on the key organizing role for this project. The CVMHA is well poised for this role, as they have over 150 members and an enthusiastic board with experience in event coordination, finance, and marketing, as well as a demonstrated history of running successful sporting events.

The Project Committee is diverse and comprised of community leaders with extensive experience delivering community initiatives.

The project is supported by Kala Hooker who has a track record for building community connections to ensure not only the success of the project, but also the assembly of a historically accurate, culturally sensitive, and engaging exhibit (www.yourwayfinders.com).

Tammy Bradford is contracted to curate the exhibit and has extensive experience with projects of this scope through her time at the Creston Valley Museum (www.crestonmuseum.ca).

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Kala Hooker, a professional project manager with over 15 years' experience in the social, natural resource, agriculture and business sectors, will be delivering the project.

The CVMHA is the key organizing partner and will be working with:

- The Committee: Kala Hooker, Kelly Vandenberghe, Shannon Veitch, Denise Dumas, Chris Luke, Bienka Rosch
- Tammy Bradford, Curator
- The Creston Valley Museum
- Creston Figure Skating Club
- Creston Curling Club
- RDCK and CDCC Staff

The CVMHA is running community engagement sessions to compile input from interested participants and to ensure the exhibit represents the community in its entirety.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Project Coordination Services from Your Wayfinders \$5000 not including time from Kala Hooker

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Project: 100 Years of Ice Sports

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



January 4th, 2024

ATTN: Creston Valley Services Committee

Re: Support for the 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project, and U18 Tier 4 Provincial Championships

Dear Members of the Creston Valley Services Committee,

I am writing on behalf of the Creston Valley Tourism Society representing local businesses, stakeholders and community members to express our support for the Creston Valley Minor Hockey's "100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project" and the upcoming U18 Tier 4 Provincial Championships.

The "100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project" serves as an acknowledgment of our region's history and cultural ties to ice sports. It not only honors past accomplishments but also lays a foundation for future athletes.

Additionally, hosting the U18 Tier 4 Provincial Championships is an opportunity to showcase our community's outstanding sports facilities at the Creston & District Recreation Complex. Perhaps most importantly, the tournament will bring numerous teams and their friends and family to Creston for the tournament, where they will stay at local accommodations, eat at local restaurants, and shops at local small businesses, generating significant economic benefits for our community.

Considering these factors, I respectfully urge the Creston Valley Services Committee to support Creston Valley Minor Hockey and their initiatives. Your endorsement will significantly bolster the success of these initiatives and reinforce our community's steadfast dedication to nurturing youth sports and fostering economic growth.

Thank you for your attention and thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

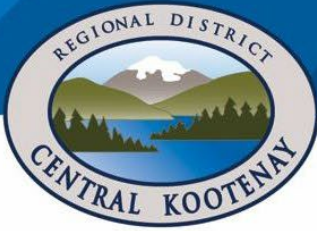
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Jesse Willicome

Executive Director - Creston Valley Tourism Society

jesse@explorecrestonvalley.com

250-402-3030



Roger Tierney
Director of Electoral Area B

February 18, 2024

To Whom it May Concern

RE: 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project

On behalf of Electoral Area B within the RDCK, I am pleased to provide this letter in support of the Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association and 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project.

Electoral Area B includes communities within the Creston Valley including - Canyon, Erickson, Lister, Huscroft, Rykerts, Arrow Creek, Yahk, Goatfell, Kingsgate, Kitchener, Glenlily, Goat River Bottom, Lower Kootenay Band in which approximately 4800 people reside.

The Regional District of Central Kootenay was incorporated in 1965 and is a local government that serves an estimated population of 60,000 residents. Our region consists of 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities.

The mission of the Regional District of Central Kootenay is to provide area residents and communities with services, governance and representation in a manner that supports the economic, social and environmental goals of the region.

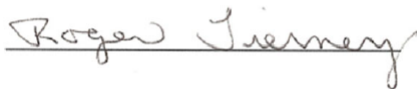
The 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project stands as a testament to the rich history and cultural significance of ice sports in the Creston Valley. This project not only commemorates the achievements of the past but also paves the way for future generations of athletes to build upon this proud legacy. By supporting such initiatives, we actively contribute to the preservation of our community's identity and values.

I would like to highlight the numerous benefits that this initiative brings to our community:

1. **Youth Development:** Celebrating sport encourages participation in organized sports, such as minor hockey and figure skating, which play a crucial role in the physical, emotional, and social development of our youth. It instills values such as teamwork, discipline, and resilience.
2. **Community Engagement:** The 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project provides opportunities for community members to come together, celebrate shared achievements, and create lasting memories.
3. **Infrastructure Investment:** The exhibit will improve our community's sports infrastructure, ensuring that it remains a hub for athletic excellence and pride.

I am confident that, with our support for this project, the Creston Valley will continue to be a thriving hub for ice sports and a source of inspiration for generations to come.

Yours sincerely,



Roger Tierney

Director of Electoral Area B

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100 YEARS OF ICE SPORTS LEGACY PROJECT

CRESTON VALLEY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 7, 2024 –
Community Engagement
Session

February 28, 2024 –
Community Engagement
Session

March 16, 2024 – Hockey,
Our History, Our Heroes
Banquet (VIP only)

March 17, 2024 – U18 Tier
4 Hockey Provincials
Opening Ceremonies and
Ribbon Cutting for Legacy
Project

March 17-20, 2024 –
Hockey Exhibit and
Community Engagement
Session

IT TAKES A COMMUNITY

The Creston Valley Minor Hockey Association (CVMHA) is excited to announce our 100 Years of Ice Sports Legacy Project. As part of Creston's Centennial, this legacy project will showcase the history and voices of ice sports in the

Creston Valley, located on the unceded territory of the Ktunaxa Nation and Yaqaan Nukiy People. The CVMHA will partner and collaborate with interested participants to create a visual and comprehensive exhibit spanning the last 100 years. The U18 Tier 4 Hockey Provincial Championships will officially kick off planning for the exhibit and will highlight our hockey heroes.

We want to celebrate those who have given so much to our valley, as CVMHA and minor hockey in our valley would not exist without the hard work and contributions of our heroes, volunteers and officials. They are coaches, team managers, safety coordinators, referees, mentors and other positions that play various roles providing leadership to our young athletes. They are our hockey heroes, including Hockey Hall of Famers Johnny Bucyk, and Oldest Female Hockey Player and Creston resident, the late centenarian Jet Fumerton and many others.



OUR PROJECT COMMITTEE

Our Committee includes six members who are excited and dedicated to bringing this project to life. The Committee members are Kala Hooker, Shannon Veitch, Chris Luke, Kelly Vandenberghe, Denise Dumas and Bienka Rosch. The committee makes recommendations to the Project Director Kala Hooker and champions the project in both the community and their organizations and other initiatives they are involved with.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

We will be hosting a series of community engagement sessions throughout 2024 to both celebrate our 100 years of ice sports history and to hear from you about what should be included in the exhibit. We

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know there is a rich history of hockey, curling, figure skating and possibly other ice sports and are interested in sharing stories through an oral, textile, digital, print and graphic exhibit that is informed by you. We will be working with our partners and curator Tammy Bradford to bring your ideas to life in a permanent display for our valley. We hope the permanent home for this exhibit will be in the Johnny Bucyk Arena and are working with Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) staff to determine how that can happen in a good way.

Upcoming engagement sessions are:

Wednesday, February 7th 6:30 – 8:30pm

Kootenay Room, Creston and District Community Complex (CDCC)

Wednesday, February 28th 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Kootenay Room, CDCC

Sunday, March 17th to Wednesday, March 20th 10-4pm

Erickson Room, CDCC

PARTNERS AND SPONSORSHIP

We are seeking partnerships and sponsorship because we believe, together we can knit together the fabric of our community, to collectively celebrate our young athletes, community sports heroes and shared history. We want to collaborate with you and draw upon your experience and connections to leave a legacy of storytelling that will be enjoyed by community members, players and visitors to our community for generations to come.

We want to thank our sponsors to-date:



Tier 2 – Roger Tierney,
RDCK Area B Director



Tier 2 – BC Hockey



Tier 2 – Kala Hooker,
Your Wayfinders

Please contact Kala at secretary@crestonvalleyminorhockey.com (250) 643-9088 if you would like to get involved or would like more information.

“The biggest thing we get out of it is seeing the kids smile. And hopefully we will also see that the lessons we’re teaching – not only the fundamentals of hockey, but also the life values – are sinking in.” –

Bobby Orr

Organization **Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association**

Registration # S-0005550

Box 71, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Crawford Bay's Asset Management Plan**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Crawford Bay Hall:16230 Wadds Road, Crawford Bay, BC. Crawford Bay Park: 15990 Highway 3A, Crawford Bay,BC
Kootenay Bay Boat Launch: Pilot Bay Road, Kootenay Bay, BC

Importance to the community:

Our association receives a yearly financial services grant from the RDCK. As part of our due diligence in responsibly using those funds we need to have a credible plan as to how they are used in the ongoing maintenance and capital improvements of community owned facilities. The restoration of our community hall has been on the minds and in the hearts of local residents for approximately 15 years. Purchasing the land on which the hall sits was the first step, raising the funds to do the work is the present step. Along with doing the work comes properly managing a newly restored and valuable building. Valuable in financial terms as well as emotional ones. All residents, visitors, and businesses in our region will benefit from a properly managed and maintained community hall, community park and boat launch. Property owners will benefit by the well planned use of their tax dollars.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$15,000.00	\$2,500.00	\$1,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$400.00	\$2,000.00			
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,600.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$22,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
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Project: Crawford Bay's Asset Management Plan

\$22,500.00	\$45,490.00	\$45,490.00
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1. The project will provide:

The project is to prepare an Asset Management Plan (AMP) for the three facilities which our association owns or operates and manages. These being our Community hall, Community Park and the Kootenay Bay Boat Launch. This AMP will begin with Facility Condition Assessments (FCAs) to determine the state of our infrastructure (what do we own & what condition is it in?). The FCA reports will capture and document the existing condition of the buildings and site systems. The AMP will use current, proposed and future desired levels of service as well as life cycle management plans for each asset to determine the capital and maintenance costs required to achieve the proposed level of service.

This plan is needed for two reasons; it is sound management and it is a requirement of our funders (who must remain nameless due to confidentiality agreements) in order to receive the \$1.8 million toward the Hall renovation for which we presently qualify. An AMP will include: outlining our organization's goals & objectives for asset management (AM), determining what success looks like for our assets, our assets' lifecycles, a financial strategy and an improvement plan to evolve our AM program. We will achieve these goals by retaining and collaborating with Roth Integrated Asset Management Strategies (IAMS) LTD, specialists in AMP creation.

2. Organization Mandate:

To develop and maintain hall, parks and recreational facilities for Crawford Bay, Kootenay Bay & Pilot Bay

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Our association receives a yearly financial services grant from the RDCK. As part of our due diligence in responsibly using those funds we need to have a credible plan as to how they are used in the ongoing maintenance and capital improvements of community owned facilities. The restoration of our community hall has been on the minds and in the hearts of local residents for approximately 15 years. Purchasing the land on which the hall sits was the first step, raising the funds to do the work is the present step. Along with doing the work comes properly managing a newly restored and valuable building. Valuable in financial terms as well as emotional ones. All residents, visitors, and businesses in our region will benefit from a properly managed and maintained community hall, community park and boat launch. Property owners will benefit by the well planned use of their tax dollars.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The ongoing issue of properly maintaining and planning for capital improvement and replacement of our community facilities will be addressed. The requirement for asset management plans that has been stipulated in some of our funding agreements for restoration of the community hall will also be addressed. These issues have been identified through questions arising when our association studies maintenance and improvement work on our assets and through the afore mentioned funding agreements. We have been fundraising for four years to restore our 85 year old community hall. Between the architect, engineers, building inspector, community surveys, hazmat studies etc. we have determined what needs to be done. Approved funders have told us an asset management plan is essential to properly maintain the hall after restoration is complete and the value of this important asset increases. This type of planning is also needed for the community park and boat launch.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our association is the owner and steward of the Crawford Bay community hall and community park . It has a license to occupy agreement with the BC Ministry of Natural Resource Operations to maintain the Kootenay Bay Boat Launch. The association has, for decades, had the responsibility for management, maintenance and fiscal over-site of these facilities. This alone demonstrates our capacity to deliver the project.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The directors and volunteers of the Crawford Bay & District Hall & Parks Association will collaborate with Roth Integrated Asset Management Strategies LTD. of Oakville Ontario to implement the project.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

SCHEDULE A

Project: Crawford Bay Community Hall Renovation

A. Project Description

The purpose of the Project is in furtherance of the public purpose of the Trust and is specifically to support the Recipient to install a new roof and complete foundation enhancements to the Crawford Bay Community Hall (Hall) located at 16230 Wadds Road, Crawford Bay.

B. Duties and Deliverables

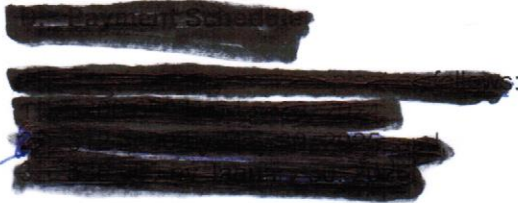
The Recipient will be responsible for all aspects of the supervision and administration of the Project, including:

1. installing a new roof and completing foundation enhancements to the Hall in accordance with the Recipient's 2022 application (Application) to the CleanBC Communities Fund, which was approved in principle on November 17, 2022;
2. securing all funding required to complete each phase of the Project before the associated phase has started;
3. a board member or staff of the Recipient must participate in asset management training at least once every two years;
4. ensuring all necessary regulatory permits and approvals are acquired for the Project and adhered to; and,
5. paying for a minimum of 80% of the final Project costs using funding sources other than the Grant.

C. Reporting Schedule

The Recipient will report as follows:

1. Interim Report due by March 30, 2024 which must include, but not be limited to:
 - a. an outline of the Recipient's progress in achieving the Duties and Deliverables outlined above;
 - b. confirmation that all funding is in place to complete the foundation enhancements as described in the Application; and,
 - c. a financial report outlining revenues and expenses for the Project to date.
2. Interim Report due by March 30, 2025 which must include, but not be limited to:
 - a. an outline of the Recipient's progress in achieving the Duties and Deliverables outlined above;
 - b. confirmation that all funding is in place to complete the new roof as described in the Application; and,
 - c. a financial report outlining revenues and expenses for the Project to date.
3. Final Report due on or before November 30, 2025, which must include, but is not limited to, a completed Final Report on the template provided by the Trust.



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PHASE 5 - SUMMARY REPORT - INFOGRAPHIC

They say a picture is worth a thousand words. Roth IAMS uses infographics, with clean and easy to understand graphs and tables to replace what are typically wordy Executive Summaries that simply regurgitate content that can be found in other areas of a report. The infographic provides a concise and easy to consume overview of the data on which the AMP was based. Additionally, infographics can easily be updated on an annual basis in the intervening years between formal AMP updates (usually done on a 5-Year schedule).

Roth IAMS will review the format and content of the proposed infographic with the CBDHPA as part of the preparation of the final AMP document.

PHASE 6 - PRESENT THE SUMMARY TO THE CBDHPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Roth IAMS will also prepare a Society Board-Level Presentation demonstrating an overview of the project and the key points of the final AMP upon submission of the initial draft version.

Following the presentation, comments and feedback from the Society Board will be integrated into the AMP, and a second presentation will be delivered based on the final AMP.

SCHEDULE

Roth IAMS will work with CBDHPA to determine a schedule that fits within their timeline.

FEE

The fee for the condition assessment and asset management plan is included in Table 2 below:

Table 2 – Roth IAMS Proposed Fees	
Item	Proposed Fee
Craford Bay Community Hall and Site FCA	\$3,890.00
Crawford Bay Community Park FCA	\$4,580.00
Crawford Bay Public Boat Launch FCA	\$3,145.00
Asset Management Plan	\$33,875.00
Total Cost (Excluding Taxes)	\$45,490.00

This evidence may be in the form of:

- Approval letter(s) from other funding program(s), including approval date, conditions (if applicable), and contact info;
- Council/Board/Band Council resolutions or staff reports from the applicant and partners, where applicable, committing the use of reserve funds or borrowing;
- Recent bank statements showing available reserves;
- Letter of approval for bank loans (for non-local governments);
- Letter of investor intent or commitment and any associated conditions;
- Local Government loan authorization bylaw that has passed Third Reading and/or dated proof that borrowing has been approved through a formal public approval process, plus Liability Servicing Limit Certificate indicating that borrowing is within a local government's assent-free borrowing limit (separate from submission for approval by the Inspector of Municipalities);
- Not-for-Profit/For-Profit entity, Financial Statement (prepared internally for projects with eligible costs up to \$500,000 or reviewed by an independent public accountant for projects with eligible costs over \$500,000); or,
- Other evidence as agreed through discussion with Program staff.

Construction Permit NOT on First Nations Reserve Land

Prior to payment in excess of 25% of the approved funding amount, the Recipient must submit to the Province:

- A copy of the approved construction permit or other applicable local equivalent; and,
- Confirmation that required permits have been received and that design and construction meets associated regulatory requirements.

Asset Management

Prior to payment in excess of 50% of the approved funding amount, the Recipient must submit to the Province an Asset Management summary for the asset group that was funded (e.g., for an EV Charging Station project, the asset group would be 'all electrical vehicle charging assets'), including:

- Organization's current and planned asset management practices and activities in reference to the Asset Management BC Roadmap and/or Asset SMART 2.0 (<http://assetmanagementbc.ca>), including any links to asset service levels; and,
- Brief summary of energy management system and/or demand side management strategies

Organization **South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society**

Registration # S-57088

Box 210, 16380 Jacobson Road, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Junior Squad 2024**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

This project will take place in Crawford Bay, at the Crawford Bay School and in the Crawford Bay park.

Importance to the community:

Children, Parents and Families will benefit from this project. Children get to improve social and leadership skills. It helps children gain confidence and develop life skills. It gives them a stronger sense of belonging and they get to explore new interests.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 11/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$3,500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$3,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$3,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00

Project: Junior Squad 2024**1. The project will provide:**

The project provides recreational activities and experiences for children ages 6 to 11 years old, who are not old enough to attend the East Shore Youth Network. SKLCSS, with the assistance of a parent advisory committee, and two Coordinators will continue to run the Junior Squad program 2 afternoons per week after school, for 2.5 hours each time. Start time is 2:45 pm, at the end of the school day, and it runs until 5:00 pm. Programming takes primarily place at the school. Last summer we ran a summer day camp for three days a week for three weeks which was very successful. We hope to do this again this summer.

2. Organization Mandate:

South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society (SKLCSS) is a non-profit organization operating on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake that focuses primarily on Seniors and Youth Programming but also acts as an umbrella agency that sponsors and administers community funded programs and projects that foster and promotes community and economic stability and growth.

Our primary programs are the East Shore Youth Network and Junior Squad which addresses the needs of local youth in the area by organizing events and workshops for youth that provide opportunities based on diverse youth input. Our East Shore Elder Care Program is focused on helping and supporting our local seniors so that they can age in place, remain in their own homes for as long as possible and to help seniors access programs and services.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Children, Parents and Families will benefit from this project. Children get to improve social and leadership skills. It helps children gain confidence and develop life skills. It gives them a stronger sense of belonging and they get to explore new interests.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This project is important to our community because we are very rural and remote community and our school population is low. These factors make it very hard for families to access recreational opportunities for their children. Currently there are not any consistent programs for elementary school aged children in our area. The Junior Squad program for younger children encourages them to engage more with their community and their peers. It gives us the ability to grow leadership opportunities among our youth and provide great mentoring opportunities between the East Shore Youth Network and the Junior Youth group. It provides an alternative to the increased screen time which many children engage in when there are few other opportunities. This program helps families that struggle with wanting to provide recreational opportunities to their children but lack the time and resources needed to travel to Creston or Nelson.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organization is best suited to deliver the project because we have been operating the Junior Squad project for one year and it has been very successful. We work with a parent advisory committee and two Youth Coordinators to implement the program. Our society has provided financial accountability and transparency for numerous grants and programs on the East Shore.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society, with the help of a parent advisory committee and two Youth Coordinators will implement the program. This program has been running for one year and we have the staff and support people in place to keep it going.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes**

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

The Parent Advisory Committee is a volunteer committee that meets every two months to provide feedback and suggestions for programming. We also have parent volunteers that will occasionally assist with special events. The Crawford Bay School provides the after school facility free of charge.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

From: [Community Connections](#)
To: [Grants](#)
Subject: Re: RDCK ReDi - First Submission - 9fmoh - South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society
Date: February 21, 2024 2:43:01 PM

CAUTION This email originated from outside the organization. Please proceed only if you trust the sender.

Hi Melissa,
Our Junior Squad program has been running for one year now.
We have enough current funding to take us for several more months. I have submitted a large Gaming Grant application in Nov 2023 but I won't hear back from them until late February or March. I'm waiting for the new CBT grants to be released. I'm hoping that they will have some applicable grants for the program.
Let me know if you need any other information.
Thanks,
Garry

On Wed, Feb 21, 2024 at 12:33 PM Grants <Grants@rdck.bc.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon Garry, thank you for your ReDi project proposal. This looks like it's a program start up, which will require more information. Could you please advise what your plan is for ongoing operations funding in future years, that are not CIP/AAP funds?

Thank you,

Melissa Djakovic | Auxiliary Administrative Assistant

Phone: 250.352.6665 | **Fax:** 250.352.9300

From: Columbia Basin Trust - Forms <forms@cbt.org>
Sent: February 19, 2024 10:51 AM
To: Grants <Grants@rdck.bc.ca>
Subject: RDCK ReDi - First Submission - 9fmoh - South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society

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APPLICANT INFORMATION SECTION

Registered Applicant/Organization Legal Name	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society
Registration Number (if applicable)	S-57088
Mailing Address	Box 210, 16380 Jacobson Road
City	Crawford Bay
Province	BC
Postal Code	V0B 1E0
Signing Authority Name	Garrys
Last Name	Sly
Phone Number	(250) 505-2634
Email Address	skootenaylakecss@gmail.com
Is Signing Authority same as the Project Contact?	Check if Signing Authority information is the same as the Project Contact information.
Primary Contact Name	Garrys
Primary Last Name	Sly
Phone Number	(250) 505-2634
Email Address	skootenaylakecss@gmail.com
Is the Registered Applicant/Organization sponsoring an unregistered organization who will be leading the project?	No
Organization Mandate	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society (SKLCSS) is a non-profit organization operating on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake that focuses primarily on Seniors and Youth Programming but also acts as an umbrella agency that sponsors and administers community funded programs and projects that foster and promotes community and economic stability and growth. Our primary programs are the East Shore Youth Network and Junior Squad which addresses the needs of local youth in the area by organizing events and workshops for youth that provide opportunities based on diverse youth input. Our East Shore Elder Care Program is focused on helping and supporting our local seniors so that they can age in place, remain in their own homes for as long as possible and to help seniors access programs and services.

User ID

skootenaylakecss@gmail.com

SCREENING INFORMATION SECTION

All partners involved in the project have been consulted. True

PROJECT DETAILS SECTION

Project Title Junior Squad 2024

Project Location RDCK Area A

Estimated Start Date June 1, 2024

Estimated End Date November 30, 2024

What is the project? What will the project do? How will this be achieved? The project provides recreational activities and experiences for children ages 6 to 11 years old, who are not old enough to attend the East Shore Youth Network. SKLCSS, with the assistance of a parent advisory committee, and two Coordinators will continue to run the Junior Squad program 2 afternoons per week after school, for 2.5 hours each time. Start time is 2:45 pm, at the end of the school day, and it runs until 5:00 pm. Programming takes primarily takes place at the school. Last summer we ran a summer day camp for three days a week for three weeks which was very successful. We hope to do this again this summer.

What issues or opportunities will be addressed? How were they identified? This project is important to our community because we are very rural and remote community and our school population is low. These factors make it very hard for families to access recreational opportunities for their children. Currently there are not any consistent programs for elementary school aged children in our area. The Junior Squad program for younger children encourages them to engage more with their community and their peers. It gives us the ability to grow leadership opportunities among our youth and provide great mentoring opportunities between the East Shore Youth Network and the Junior Youth group. It provides an alternative to the increased screen time which many children engage in when there are few other opportunities. This program helps families that struggle with wanting to provide recreational opportunities to their children but lack the time and resources needed to travel to Creston or Nelson.

Where will the project take place? This project will take place in Crawford Bay, at the Crawford Bay School and in the Crawford Bay park.

Who will be involved in implementing the project? South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society, with the help of a parent advisory committee and two Youth Coordinators will implement the program. This program has been running for one year and we have the staff and support people in place to keep it going.

Why this project is important to your community? Who will benefit from the project? Children, Parents and Families will benefit from this project. Children get to improve social and leadership skills. It helps children gain confidence and develop life skills. It gives them a stronger sense of belonging and they get to explore new interests.

How will the project be evaluated and how will you know if it has been successful? We will know the project has been successful by the number of participants and by the feedback that we get from children, parents and the community. The Coordinators get feedback at every session since they interact with the parents each time children are picked up and our Parent advisory committee, are parents of children that are in the program, so they are providing very in depth feedback to the Coordinators.

Why is your organization best suited to deliver the project, and does it have the capacity to do so? Our organization is best suited to deliver the project because we have been operating the Junior Squad project for one year and it has been very successful. We work with a parent advisory committee and two Youth Coordinators to implement the program. Our society has provided financial accountability and transparency for numerous grants and programs on the East Shore.

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Is this project a one-time event or part of an ongoing initiative? If the project is part of an ongoing initiative, how will it be sustained after the grant ends? The is part of an ongoing program. Junior Squad has been running for over a year and has been extremely successful. We are continuing to search for on-going funding. Our first year was funded by Columbia Basin Trust, the RDCK, the Kootenay Lake Lions Club, the Nelson and District Credit Union and donations and fund-raising. We are applying for many grants to keep the program going.

Is this project, or a component of the project, viable if the full funding request is not approved? Yes

Which area will your project work toward? Social

Will minors be No

working on this project?

Is the project labour 100% volunteer? No

Is the Proponent, contractor or sub-contractor able to provide proof of current WCB coverage? Yes

WORKPLAN

Activity	Overseen by	Start Date	End Date
Ongoing Junior Squad Activity days, every Thursday and Friday afternoon, after school.	Jacqueline Wedge	June 1, 2024	November 30, 2024
Summer Day Camp	Jacqueline Wedge	July 7, 2024	August 31, 2024

PROJECT EXPENSES SECTION

Administration Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
SKLCSS Administration	\$2,250	\$450
Subtotal Administration Amount Required		\$2,250.00
Subtotal Administration Budget Requested from ReDi		\$450.00

Contract Fees and/or Staff Wages Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
wages	\$10,000	\$2,550
Subtotal Contract Fees Amount Required		\$10,000.00
Subtotal Contract Fees Budget Requested from ReDi		\$2,550.00

Capital Purchases Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
Supplies (snacks, equipment)	\$2,570	\$0
Subtotal Capital Purchases Amount Required		\$2,570.00
Subtotal Capital Purchases Requested from ReDi		\$0.00

Other Costs Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
Rent	\$180	\$0
Subtotal Other Cost Budget Amount Required		\$180.00
Subtotal Other Costs Requested from ReDi		\$0.00

TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES **\$15,000.00**

TOTAL REQUESTED FROM ReDi **\$3,000.00**

PROJECT REVENUE

Source Name	Confirmed (Y/N)	Amount
ReDi	No	\$3,000
Gaming	N	\$12,000
TOTAL PROJECT REVENUE		\$15,000.00

ReDI FUNDING REQUESTED

Electoral Areas*	Amount (\$)
Electoral Area A	3000
Electoral Area B	
Electoral Area C	
Electoral Area D/Kaslo	
Electoral Area D/Lardeau Valley	
Electoral Area E	
Electoral Area F	
Electoral Area G/Salmo	
Electoral Area H	
Electoral Area I	
Electoral Area J	
Municipality Name	Amount (\$)
City of Castlegar	
Town of Creston	
City of Nelson	
Village of New Denver	
Village of Silverton	
Village of Slocan	
Area K - Arrow Park	
Area K - Burton	
Area K - Fauquier	
Area K - Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	
Area K - Edgewood	
TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED BUDGET	\$3,000.00

FINAL STEPS SECTION

In-kind Sources & Contributions The Parent Advisory Committee is a volunteer committee that meets every two months to provide feedback and suggestions for programming. We also have parent volunteers that will occasionally assist with special events.
The Crawford Bay School provides the after school facility free of charge.

Is this project or a component of the project viable if the full funding request is not approved? Yes

Are you providing additional material that provides further Yes

evidence to support your project idea (such as letters of support, outcomes of community engagement, report executive summaries, quotes, approvals maps, etc)?

1.	One year Profit and Loss statement for the Program
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Is there anything else you would like to add that has not already been mentioned?	We have 18 to 20 children that attend each Junior Squad activity day. The Crawford Bay School has been very supportive of our program and families have been very happy that there is a program for children after school. Newkeys recently did a fund-raiser for our program since the community is very supportive of the project.
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I have read and agree to the declaration above.	I agree
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Date	February 19, 2024
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Applicant Name	Garry Sly
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Applicant Title	Executive Director, SKLCSS
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Garry Sly, Executive Director
South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society
Serving Area A / the East Shore of Kootenay Lake, BC

tel: 250-505-2634
fax: 250.227.9525

Organization **West Creston Community Hall Society**

Registration # 866808553 RR 0001

1350 West Creston Road, Creston British Columbia V0B 1G7

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Veranda Upgrade**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area C

West Creston Hall, 1350 West Creston Road, Creston, BC

Importance to the community:

Safe access / egress to the hall for the public. This will benefit all Valley residents.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$7,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$3,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$12,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00

1. The project will provide:

Replace rotting wooden veranda, footings and improve access to exit door with cement.

Project: Veranda Upgrade

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide a place for people of West Creston to meet for social, recreational, educational and training purposes.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Safe access / egress to the hall for the public. This will benefit all Valley residents.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The current veranda is made of wood and is deteriorating causing unsafe access to entrances of the hall. This issue was identified by the painting contractor in the previous year.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Board members are West Creston residents and can be on site to monitor the contractor progress.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Board members and cement contractor.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



Date	2024-02-08
PO#	

Sullivan Stone
 501 Helen St.
 Creston BC V0B 1G6
 Phone:250-428-2939
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 susan@sullivanstone.ca

West Creston Community Hall
 1350 West Creston Road, Creston BC
 778-552-8139 - (Ashley)
 ashleycwork@hotmail.com

Estimate

Scope of Work:

- Includes demo and prep of existing wood deck – Including temporary block support for roof over patio.

Sub Total	\$2,400.00
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Scope of Work:

- Includes all equipment for digging soils and prep of slab sub grade.
- Includes all labour and prep of compact under slab rock material.
- Includes 3/4” WGB road crush – delivered.
- Includes all concrete 32mpa for 10’ x 40’ x 4” front patio area, 4’ x 40’ x 4” side area with landing steps.
- Includes 1’ x 1’ thickened edge for front slab.
- Includes 10m rebar 20” o/c.
- Includes all labour to install form work, strip and pour.
- Includes all pour, place and finish – broom finish.
- Includes control cuts.

Sub Total	\$8,800.00
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Sub Total	\$11,200.00
GST	\$560.00
Total	\$11,760.00

***Preliminary estimate – Pricing may change pending final drawings**

This Quote is valid for 90 days from the date of issue.

Customer Signature:

Date:

Contractor Signature:

Date:

Organization **Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce**

Registration # 001277-7

PO Box 120, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **East Shore Business After Business**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

These events will take place in various business venues from Wynndel to Riondel, highlighting each business as we advertise for each event.

Importance to the community:

The project will benefit various stakeholders within the community, including:

Entrepreneurs and Business Owners: Entrepreneurs and business owners will benefit from access to valuable resources, networking opportunities, and educational workshops to support their business growth and development.

Local Organizations and Chambers of Commerce: Local organizations and our chamber of commerce will benefit from a more vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem, which can lead to increased membership, participation, and economic activity within the community.

Students and Aspiring Entrepreneurs: Students and aspiring entrepreneurs will benefit from exposure to real-world entrepreneurial experiences, mentorship opportunities, and resources to help them launch and grow their own ventures in the future.

Overall, Business after Business events play a vital role in strengthening the entrepreneurial ecosystem and driving economic growth and prosperity within our community.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/20/2024 Project End: 11/18/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$800.00		\$100.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$100.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			

			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$1,000.00
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00

1. The project will provide:

In today's rapidly evolving business landscape, our Eastshore community faces numerous challenges in sustaining and growing their ventures. The need for continuous learning, networking, and mentorship is crucial for our success. Recognizing this need, we propose the implementation of "Business after Business" events aimed at fostering collaboration, knowledge exchange, and community building among entrepreneurs.

Objective:

The primary objective of the "Business after Business" events is to provide a platform for businesses and organizations to connect, learn, and grow. These events will offer valuable insights, resources, and networking opportunities to support local businesses/organizations in overcoming challenges and seizing new opportunities in their respective industries.

Event Format:

The "Business after Business" events will be structured as informal networking sessions combined with educational workshops and keynote presentations. The events will feature experienced entrepreneurs, business people, industry experts, and thought leaders who will share their insights, experiences, and best practices with attendees.

We will hold a series of six networking sessions from Wynndel to Riondel at various business venues open to the general public as well. Facilitated networking sessions will provide attendees with the opportunity to connect with fellow entrepreneurs, potential collaborators and mentors. These sessions will encourage meaningful conversations and the exchange of ideas. Interactive workshops will cover a wide range of topics relevant to business and organizations.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce is a diverse group of area businesses connected for the common goal of promotion and vitality of the economy of the East Shore of Kootenay Lake.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The project will benefit various stakeholders within the community, including:

Entrepreneurs and Business Owners: Entrepreneurs and business owners will benefit from access to valuable resources, networking opportunities, and educational workshops to support their business growth and development.

Local Organizations and Chambers of Commerce: Local organizations and our chamber of commerce will benefit from a more vibrant entrepreneurial ecosystem, which can lead to increased membership, participation, and economic activity within the community.

Project: East Shore Business After Business

Students and Aspiring Entrepreneurs: Students and aspiring entrepreneurs will benefit from exposure to real-world entrepreneurial experiences, mentorship opportunities, and resources to help them launch and grow their own ventures in the future.

Overall, Business after Business events play a vital role in strengthening the entrepreneurial ecosystem and driving economic growth and prosperity within our community.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Networking: Entrepreneurs often struggle to find opportunities to network with peers, mentors, and potential collaborators. The events will provide a structured environment for networking, enabling entrepreneurs to build valuable relationships and expand their professional contacts.

Knowledge Exchange: Keeping up with the latest trends, best practices, and industry insights can be challenging for entrepreneurs. The events will offer educational workshops and keynote presentations.

Mentorship: Access to experienced mentors and advisors can significantly impact an entrepreneur's success. The events will provide opportunities for new businesses to connect with seasoned professionals who can offer guidance, advice, and support.

Overcoming Challenges: Entrepreneurship is inherently challenging, and entrepreneurs often face obstacles such as funding constraints, market competition, and operational issues. The events will address these challenges through workshops, discussions, and presentations focused on practical strategies for overcoming obstacles and achieving success.

These issues and opportunities were identified through surveys, and consultations with Eastshore businesses/entrepreneurs.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Existing Network and Relationships: We have extensive networks and established relationships within the local business community. This network provides access to a diverse range of businesses, entrepreneurs, professionals, and stakeholders who can contribute as speakers, mentors, or attendees for the events.

Expertise in Event Planning and Management: We have dedicated administrator with expertise in event planning and management. They possess the organizational capacity to coordinate logistics, secure venues, manage registrations, handle marketing and promotion, and ensure the smooth execution of the events.

Advocacy and Representation: our Chambers of Commerce serves as an advocate for the business community, representing their interests and promoting economic development initiatives. By delivering Business after Business events, our chambers can address the needs and priorities of local businesses, foster collaboration, and support entrepreneurship within the community.

Our Chamber of Commerce has the capacity, expertise, resources, and network necessary to effectively deliver a Business after Business project.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Our Administrator will organize and advertise these events in coordination with the Directors of The Kootenay Lake Chamber of Commerce.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

In addition to cash contributions, the Chamber of Commerce can offer various non-monetary contributions to support the Business After Business events. These contributions may include:

Venue Access: The Chamber of Commerce has partnerships with local venues, allowing the event to take place at a reduced or no cost.

Marketing and Promotion: Leverage the chamber's communication channels, such as newsletters, website, and social media platforms, to promote the event to its members and the broader community. This can help increase attendance and raise awareness about the event.

Networking Opportunities: Utilize the chamber's existing network to connect event organizers with potential speakers, or partners who can contribute to the success of the event.

Expertise and Resources: Tap into the chamber's expertise and resources in areas such as business development, economic research, and policy advocacy to enhance the content and impact of the event.

Member Engagement: Engage chamber members in the planning and execution of the event, fostering a sense of community involvement and ownership among local businesses.

Post-Event Follow-Up: Leverage the chamber's post-event communication channels to follow up with attendees, share event highlights, and gather feedback for future improvements.

By leveraging these non-monetary contributions, the Chamber of Commerce can significantly enhance the success and impact of the Business After Business events, furthering its mission to support entrepreneurship and economic development within the community.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society**

Registration # S-57088

Box 210, 16380 Jacobson Road, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Emergency Ride Home for Seniors**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

The project will be based in Crawford Bay and will reach to Creston and Nelson.

Importance to the community:

Seniors will benefit from this project because some people hesitate to go by ambulance to hospital since they are worried that they will not be able to get home.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/1/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,600.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$1,600.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00	\$1,600.00

1. The project will provide:

Project: Emergency Ride Home for Seniors

The Emergency Ride Home project is intended to help seniors who have been taken to hospital by ambulance and do not have a way to return home. Seniors can often be stranded at hospitals if they are transported by ambulance but are not admitted at Emergency. Unless they have a strong support network, some seniors have no way to return to their homes on the East Shore. This project would provide transportation to people who do not have the means to get themselves home. SKLCSS now has a new vehicle which is available for Seniors and Youth transportation. We will establish drivers who are willing to pick up seniors in a situation where they are stranded at a hospital.

2. Organization Mandate:

South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society (SKLCSS) is a non-profit organization operating on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake that focuses primarily on Seniors and Youth Programming but also acts as an umbrella agency that sponsors and administers community funded programs and projects that foster and promote community and economic stability and growth.

Our primary programs are the East Shore Youth Network and Junior Squad which addresses the needs of local youth in the area by organizing events and workshops for youth that provide opportunities based on diverse youth input. Our East Shore Elder Care Program is focused on helping and supporting our local seniors so that they can age in place, remain in their own homes for as long as possible and to help seniors access programs and services.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Seniors will benefit from this project because some people hesitate to go by ambulance to hospital since they are worried that they will not be able to get home.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

One of the main issues that will be addressed is social isolation. Many seniors live alone and do not have a strong social network. This service will provide some emergency support to people who have to be taken to Emergency and do not have a plan in place for a ride home. This need was identified by the East Shore Better at Home Coordinator who is aware of situations like this. We spoke with East Shore Paramedics who also had stories of stranded individuals.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

SKLCSS ensures responsible public transparency in the distribution of funds. We monitor and ensure that grant reporting is completed and proper project closure occurs. We have an ongoing Seniors social program with two Coordinators. Our organization is well known in the community and among the senior population. Our connections with BetteratHome also allows us to be able to be very aware of seniors needs in regards to transportation.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

SKLCSS will implement the program with support from the BetteratHome Coordinator.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

From: [Community Connections](#)
To: [Grants](#)
Subject: Re: RDCK ReDi - First Submission - psryy - South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society
Date: February 21, 2024 2:56:23 PM

CAUTION This email originated from outside the organization. Please proceed only if you trust the sender.

Hi Melissa,

The Emergency Ride home project will become part of our larger seniors services program. We currently run the East Shore TAPS program which is a social program for seniors. We have partnered with the East Shore Transportation Society and Valley Community Services (BetteratHome service) and we are in the process of submitting a United Way Health Aging Enhancement which would help to continue funding for projects like this, which provide transportation for seniors to and from hospitals.

We also applied for the New Horizons for Seniors Grant, in Nov 2023, which would contribute funds towards seniors transportation for hospital visits.

This grant was submitted as a collaboration between the East Shore Transportation Society, local Home Care workers, the East Shore Kootenay Lake Community Health Society, the local caregivers support group, the Riondel Community Association, the East Shore Paramedics and Ambulance Service, and The Heart Food Cupboard.

Our intention is to make transportation one of our priorities since we recently acquired a new van specifically for youth and seniors transportation.

If you require any further information, please let me know.

Thanks,
Garry

On Wed, Feb 21, 2024 at 2:36 PM Grants <Grants@rdck.bc.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon Garry, thank you for your ReDi project proposal. This looks like it's a program start up, which will require more information. Could you please advise what your plan is for ongoing operations funding in future years, that are not ReDi funds?

Thank you,

Melissa Djakovic | Auxiliary Administrative Assistant

Phone: 250.352.6665 | **Fax:** 250.352.9300

From: Columbia Basin Trust - Forms <forms@cbt.org>

Sent: February 19, 2024 2:25 PM

To: Grants <Grants@rdck.bc.ca>

Subject: RDCK ReDi - First Submission - psryy - South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society

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APPLICANT INFORMATION SECTION

Registered Applicant/Organization Legal Name	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society
Registration Number (if applicable)	S-57088
Mailing Address	Box 210, 16380 Jacobson Road
City	Crawford Bay
Province	BC
Postal Code	V0B 1E0
Signing Authority Name	Garry
Last Name	Sly
Phone Number	(250) 505-2634
Email Address	skootenaylakecss@gmail.com
Is Signing Authority same as the Project Contact?	Check if Signing Authority information is the same as the Project Contact information.
Primary Contact Name	Garry
Primary Last Name	Sly
Phone Number	(250) 505-2634
Email Address	skootenaylakecss@gmail.com
Is the Registered Applicant/Organization sponsoring an unregistered organization who will be leading the project?	No
Organization Mandate	South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society (SKLCSS) is a non-profit organization operating on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake that focuses primarily on Seniors and Youth Programming but also acts as an umbrella agency that sponsors and administers community funded programs and projects that foster and promote

community and economic stability and growth.

Our primary programs are the East Shore Youth Network and Junior Squad which addresses the needs of local youth in the area by organizing events and workshops for youth that provide opportunities based on diverse youth input.

Our East Shore Elder Care Program is focused on helping and supporting our local seniors so that they can age in place, remain in their own homes for as long as possible and to help seniors access programs and services.

User ID skootenaylakecss@gmail.com

SCREENING INFORMATION SECTION

All partners involved in the project have been consulted. True

PROJECT DETAILS SECTION

Project Title Emergency Ride Home for Seniors

Project Location RDCK Area A

Estimated Start Date June 1, 2024

Estimated End Date June 1, 2025

What is the project? What will the project do? How will this be achieved? The Emergency Ride Home project is intended to help seniors who have been taken to hospital by ambulance and do not have a way to return home. Seniors can often be stranded at hospitals if they are transported by ambulance but are not admitted at Emergency. Unless they have a strong support network, some seniors have no way to return to their homes on the East Shore. This project would provide transportation to people who do not have the means to get themselves home. SKLCSS now has a new vehicle which is available for Seniors and Youth transportation. We will establish drivers who are willing to pick up seniors in a situation where they are stranded at a hospital.

What issues or opportunities One of the main issues that will be addressed is social isolation. Many seniors live alone and do not have a strong social network. This service will

will be addressed? How were they identified?	provide some emergency support to people who have to be taken to Emergency and do not have a plan in place for a ride home. This need was identified by the East Shore Better at Home Coordinator who is aware of situations like this. We spoke with East Shore Paramedics who also had stories of stranded individuals.
Where will the project take place?	The project will be based in Crawford Bay and will reach to Creston and Nelson.
Who will be involved in implementing the project?	SKLCSS will implement the program with support from the BetteratHome Coordinator.
Why this project is important to your community? Who will benefit from the project?	Seniors will benefit from this project because some people hesitate to go by ambulance to hospital since they are worried that they will not be able to get home.
How will the project be evaluated and how will you know if it has been successful?	The project will be evaluated by the number of requests that we get for rides.
Why is your organization best suited to deliver the project, and does it have the capacity to do so?	SKLCSS ensures responsible public transparency in the distribution of funds. We monitor and ensure that grant reporting is completed and proper project closure occurs. We have an ongoing Seniors social program with two Coordinators. Our organization is well known in the community and among the senior population. Our connections with BetteratHome also allows us to be able to be very aware of seniors needs in regards to transportation.
User ID	skootenaylakecss@gmail.com
Is this project a one-time event or part of an ongoing	The initiative to start more projects that are aimed at Seniors transportation will be part of an ongoing initiative. We are applying for other grants in partnership with the East Shore Transportation Society and Valley Community Services BetteratHome program.

initiative? If the project is part of an ongoing initiative, how will it be sustained after the grant ends?

Is this project, or a component of the project, viable if the full funding request is not approved? Yes

Which area will your project will work toward? Social

Will minors be working on this project? No

Is the project labour 100% volunteer? No

Is the Proponent, contractor or sub-contractor able to provide proof of current WCB coverage? Yes

WORKPLAN

Activity	Overseen by	Start Date	End Date
Recruit Drivers	Garry Sly	June 1, 2024	June 30, 2024
Notify Seniors Program Coordinators, BetteratHome Coordinator and the East Shore Paramedics	Garry Sly	July 1, 2024	July 13, 2024
Provide Service throughout the year for Stranded Seniors	Garry Sly	July 14, 2024	June 1, 2025

PROJECT EXPENSES SECTION

Administration Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
SKLCSS Administration	\$250	\$250
Subtotal Administration Amount Required		\$250.00
Subtotal Administration Budget Requested from ReDi		\$250.00

Contract Fees and/or Staff Wages Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
Driver Honorarium	\$300	\$300
Subtotal Contract Fees Amount Required		\$300.00
Subtotal Contract Fees Budget Requested from ReDi		\$300.00

Capital Purchases Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
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Subtotal Capital Purchases Amount Required	\$0.00
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Subtotal Capital Purchases Requested from ReDi	\$0.00
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Other Costs Budget Details

Budget Item	Total Amount Required	Request from ReDi
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Vehicle operating costs	\$1,050	\$1,050
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Subtotal Other Cost Budget Amount Required	\$1,050.00
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Subtotal Other Costs Requested from ReDi	\$1,050.00
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TOTAL PROJECT EXPENSES	\$1,600.00
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TOTAL REQUESTED FROM ReDi	\$1,600.00
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PROJECT REVENUE

Source Name	Confirmed (Y/N)	Amount
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ReDi	No	\$1,600
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TOTAL PROJECT REVENUE	\$1,600.00
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ReDI FUNDING REQUESTED

Electoral Areas*	Amount (\$)
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Electoral Area A	1600
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Electoral Area B	
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Electoral Area C	
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Electoral Area D/Kaslo	
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Electoral Area D/Lardeau Valley	
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Electoral Area E

Electoral Area F

Electoral Area G/Salmo

Electoral Area H

Electoral Area I

Electoral Area J

Municipality Name	Amount (\$)
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City of Castlegar

Town of Creston

City of Nelson

Village of New Denver

Village of Silverton

Village of Slocan

Area K - Arrow Park

Area K - Burton

Area K - Fauquier

Area K - Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp

Area K - Edgewood

TOTAL FUNDING REQUESTED BUDGET	\$1,600.00
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FINAL STEPS SECTION

Is this project or a component of the project viable if the full funding request is not approved?	Yes
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Are you providing additional material that provides further evidence to support your project idea (such as letters of support, outcomes of community engagement, report executive summaries, quotes, approvals maps, etc)?	No
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I have read and agree to the declaration above.	I agree
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Date	February 19, 2024
Applicant Name	Garry Sly
Applicant Title	Executive Director, SKLCSS

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Garry Sly, Executive Director
South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society
Serving Area A / the East Shore of Kootenay Lake, BC

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Organization **Creston Valley Skating Club**

Registration # S-0022693

PO Box 165, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Multi-Sport Skating and Training**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston
Creston & District Community Complex, Creston BC

Importance to the community:

The Multi-Sport Skating and Training program benefits the community in that it:

- is the community's only learn-to-skate and powerskate training program.
- provides opportunities for members to develop physical skills and increase confidence.
- offers opportunities to increase physical activity and improve physical fitness.
- offers its members opportunities to improve social interaction skills, performance skills, and volunteerism.
- fills a crucial need for winter recreational and athletic activities.
- provides parents with affordable athletic opportunities for their children
- provides opportunities for participants in all ice sports to develop their skating skills.

Support through the RDCK ReDi grant enables CVSC to keep registration fees affordable for all residents, to help ensure maximum accessibility.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 8/15/2024 Project End: 3/22/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$500.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,500.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$4,000.00

Project: Multi-Sport Skating and Training

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$4,000.00	\$44,500.00	\$44,500.00

1. The project will provide:

The Creston Valley Skating Club (CVSC) provides skating lessons and training for a range of ice sports:

- CanSkate learn-to-skate class: fundamental skating skills needed for all ice sports, from recreational skating to hockey and ringette, speed skating, and figure skating.
- PreCanSkate : specifically for very young children.
- StarSkate: figure skating lessons with opportunities to test and compete.
- Academy: help skaters make the transition from CanSkate to StarSkate.
- PowerSkate and PrePowerSkate: develop speed, power, and agility for hockey players.
- Off-ice training and fitness classes for figure and power skaters.

All lessons are delivered by coaches certified by SkateCanada, assisted by the Club's older members who volunteer as Program Assistants.

All skaters have an opportunity to participate in a Skills Challenge - a combination of a competition and ice show which enables the skaters to demonstrate their progress for family and friends.

2. Organization Mandate:

Creston Valley Skating Club encourages and supports the interest and development of its members in all aspects of skating, from learn-to-skate to figure skating and advanced power skating.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The Multi-Sport Skating and Training program benefits the community in that it:

- is the community's only learn-to-skate and powerskate training program.
- provides opportunities for members to develop physical skills and increase confidence.
- offers opportunities to increase physical activity and improve physical fitness.
- offers its members opportunities to improve social interaction skills, performance skills, and volunteerism.
- fills a crucial need for winter recreational and athletic activities.
- provides parents with affordable athletic opportunities for their children
- provides opportunities for participants in all ice sports to develop their skating skills.

Support through the RDCK ReDi grant enables CVSC to keep registration fees affordable for all residents, to help ensure maximum accessibility.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Recreational skating, hockey, speed skating, or figure skating, are a major part of winter-sport offerings in the Creston Valley. Training and lessons are needed at all levels, as evidenced by:

- Numerous inquiries passed on to CVSC by Community Complex staff about skating lessons;
- Similar inquiries on CVSC and other community-conversation social media pages;
- Demand from Creston Valley Minor Hockey for PowerSkating and similar skating-skills development;
- Maximum-capacity enrolment in CVSC Beginner CanSkate classes;
- Inquiries from Female Development hockey coordinators for skating-skills training and support;
- Steadily increasing participation in CVSC programs over the past five year

Project: Multi-Sport Skating and Training

These opportunities must also be affordable. Most inquiries include questions about costs, payment in instalments, and availability of support through programs such as KidSport, clearly indicating the need to keep registration fees as low as possible to ensure all can participate. Support through the RDCK ReDi program makes that possible.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Creston Valley Skating Club is the only local provider of skating lessons, and provides those lessons for all levels, from beginning children to advanced figure skaters to adults at all levels. Many Club members rely on this initial skating instruction to support a future in Minor Hockey or other ice sports.

CVSC is a member of SkateCanada and delivers the premier learn-to-skate, power skating, and figure skating programs developed by SkateCanada, with the support of the Kootenay Region and BC Sections of SkateCanada that offer opportunities to our athletes beyond the community. Our coaches are NCCP-certified, and our head coach, Kerri Roberts, has a masters degree in coaching and is qualified to take skaters to national and international levels of competition.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

Creston Valley Skating Club will deliver these programs. Most of our directors and program assistants are former or current skaters, some with extensive coaching experience of their own:

- Directors: Fairlite Rogers, Katie Reves, Fouzia Qazi, Stephanie Bohn, Tammy Bradford
- Coaches: Kerri Roberts, Tammy Bradford
- Program Assistants: Leigh Walker (PowerSkate), Katie Reves (CanSkate), senior skaters

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

Volunteer support as program assistants, Club leadership, fundraising

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Crawford Bay Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

Registration # 113285

Po Box 100, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Crawford Bay School Hot Lunch Program**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Crawford Bay Elementary and Secondary School, British Columbia. The school has a commercial kitchen with all the necessary equipment to provide a lunch program.

Importance to the community:

It is important for all students growing up in our community that they receive adequate and nutritious food. Our hot lunch program benefits students, staff and community members (who are also invited to come for lunch).

With inflation and rising grocery costs it is more important than ever that we continue to provide hot healthy food to students at an affordable price, including at no cost if parents are really struggling. We are concerned about next years financial challenge for local families and for organizing the meals with limited budget and volunteers. According to the annual Canada Food Price Report released in December, food prices are expected to continue to rise by up to 25% in 2024, with vegetable prices seeing the biggest hikes.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 9/3/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$6,500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$6,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$6,500.00	\$33,900.00	\$33,900.00

1. The project will provide:

The CBESS hot lunch program has been serving students, staff, and community healthy, nutritious hot lunches since 2004. We provide a salad bar filled with fresh fruit and vegetables, and a homemade hot entrée Monday to Thursday. The food provided meets Canada Food Guide requirements. The PAC contracts two chefs who job share to prepare lunches and oversee and coordinate volunteer helpers. With the increase in grocery costs in the last year or so it has become increasingly challenging to provide hot lunches at a reasonable cost to parents, and around 30% of children who eat hot lunches have parents who have requested full or partial subsidies. This grant would help with our efforts to subsidize plate costs and keep the program going. Providing students with access to food has clear academic benefits. Behavioral, emotional, and mental health problems are more prevalent among children and adolescents struggling with hunger. Providing a lunch option for community adult members brings involvement and participation to CBESS.

2. Organization Mandate:

PAC (Parent Advisory Council) strives to represent the diversity within our community and contribute to the benefit of all students by: providing opportunities to educate and inform parents about the Crawford Bay Elementary Secondary School; involving parents in volunteer activities and openly discussing parents concerns for the school. The hot lunch program is a branch of PAC. PAC is a non profit organization and not associated legally with the CBESS. PAC has a society #113285 along with their own bank account.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

It is important for all students growing up in our community that they receive adequate and nutritious food. Our hot lunch program benefits students, staff and community members (who are also invited to come for lunch). With inflation and rising grocery costs it is more important than ever that we continue to provide hot healthy food to students at an affordable price, including at no cost if parents are really struggling. We are concerned about next years financial challenge for local families and for organizing the meals with limited budget and volunteers. According to the annual Canada Food Price Report released in December, food prices are expected to continue to rise by up to 25% in 2024, with vegetable prices seeing the biggest hikes.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The hot lunch chefs, teachers and PAC (Parent and Advisory Council) have identified that many families in our community are struggling with food insecurity and access to healthy food, and this affects their children's overall health and ability to learn. Our program is struggling to cover its costs without substantially raising the price parents have to pay. Recent efforts to reduce the operational costs include adjustments to menu, reduction of staff hours, finding new vendors and price negotiating. We are making substantial efforts to fundraise to make up for these rising costs so we can keep the program going. It's a really big deal for the kids and families in Area A

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We are already equipped and successfully delivering quality food to students in our commercial kitchen with qualified and hardworking chefs. The number of kids participating in our program has increased and we would like to continue this trend.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The continuation of the program will be implemented by two hot lunch chefs/program managers, PAC (Parent and Advisory Council) along with parents and community volunteers. The chefs have experience and knowledge

Project: Crawford Bay School Hot Lunch Program

in food preparation, nutrition and food service along with volunteer coordination. We rely heavily on volunteers however, the school closures and restrictions in the past two years have reduced the number of volunteers. In our lunch program for every paid hour there is one and half hours volunteered.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

For every paid, hour the program needs 1.5 volunteer hours to run. Luckily we have many committed hot lunch volunteers who believe in the importance of the program and show up to help prep, serve and clean up. The chefs also volunteer a minimum of 14 hours per month on budgeting, volunteer coordination, meal planning and grant writing. The PAC doesn't take any grant funds for our admin costs and all accounting/ overseeing is done by volunteers.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

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RECIPIENT:

Rebecca Suzzen

16159 Wakely Road
Central Kootenay, British Columbia V0B

Phone: 778-962-1090

SERVICE ADDRESS:

16159 Wakely Road
Central Kootenay, British Columbia V0B

Invoice #9858

Issued	2023-11-02
Due	2023-11-02
Paid	2023-11-02

Total **\$730.18**

Your invoice from All Elements Industries

Product/Service	Description	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Labour - Regular Time	<p>Triston - Fridge is not working Upon arrival i found the coil was really dirty so I cleaned it off and hooked my gauges up and found the unit is really low on refrigerant. I couldn't find any leaks. We will have to schedule a time so we can come up and pull the fridge out when it's empty so we can pull the refrigerant out and pressure test the system to find the leak.</p>	0	\$105.00	\$0.00
Labour - Regular Time	<p>Kyle and Colby here Oct 24, 2023</p> <p>After transporting the refrigerator to our shop, we proceeded to conduct a meticulous assessment of the refrigeration system. Upon close examination, we detected leaks in the valve ports, prompting their immediate replacement.</p> <p>Subsequently, we executed a rigorous pressure test, which proved successful in maintaining the desired pressure levels. In the pursuit of ensuring an impeccably sealed and moisture-free system, we performed a vacuum pull, achieving a vacuum level of 300 microns, indicative of a tightly sealed, dry system.</p> <p>To restore the optimal refrigeration performance, we charged the system with 24.2 ounces of 134A refrigerant, taking into account the additional quantity required due to the presence of a larger line drier, which had been previously installed. The system, post-repair, exhibited remarkable functionality, operating at peak performance levels.</p>	3	\$105.00	\$315.00
Labour - Regular Time	*Shared Travel	0.75	\$105.00	\$78.75

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Product/Service	Description	Qty.	Unit Price	Total
Refrigerant - 134A	Price is per pound and includes enviro levy	1.5	\$31.94	\$47.91
Consumables	Nitrogen, Schrader core; 2 schraders	1	\$70.00	\$70.00
Labour - Regular Time	Oct 31, 2023 Dropped off fridge and left it in working order.	1	\$105.00	\$105.00
Labour - Regular Time	*Shared travel	0.75	\$105.00	\$78.75

PAID

Overdue accounts will be assessed a 2% per month flat rate charge.
Gas Contractor Licence LGA0203498.

GST 809834591RT0001

Subtotal	\$695.41
GST (5.0%)	\$34.77
Total	\$730.18
Paid	- \$730.18
Invoice balance	\$0.00



Crawford Bay Elementary Secondary

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February 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

Hot Lunch at Crawford Bay School is a very big deal.

4 days per week, our hot lunch chef, along with 2-3 volunteers comes to our school to make a fresh salad bar and a healthy entrée of the day. They work with our garden volunteers to use veggies grown right at our school.

This buffet of delicious, healthy, fresh food is available to all staff and students on a cost-recovery basis. If families can pay, they do, but many families cannot. Our policy is to never refuse lunch based on a student's ability to pay.

Our school and our PAC rely on grants and donations to cover those extra costs. Families have let us know that the high cost of groceries is impacting them and increasingly request help.

Over the last few years, this community, our school district, and granting organizations have supported our hot lunch program enormously. Because of the dedication of the PAC and school to make this substantial lunch barrier-free, we are grateful for support from far and wide.

Victoria McAllister

Principal - Crawford Bay School

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Organization **Crawford Bay Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

Registration # 113285

Po Box 100, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **CBES Play Equipment Additions**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

The equipment, once purchased, will be stored at Crawford Bay School and used in the playground and in the gym.

Importance to the community:

All students at Crawford Bay School, both elementary and secondary will benefit from these fun and educational additions to their recess and gym time. It's important that we provide many opportunities for ourkids to learn new physical and social skills and take part in accessible team games.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/16/2024 Project End: 6/25/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,500.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$2,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$2,500.00	\$3,918.00	\$3,918.00

Project: CBES Play Equipment Additions

1. The project will provide:

We are seeking to purchase some exciting new play equipment for use during recess and gym time. The two items we are concentrating on are: a large ball pit that will contain and withstand fast paced ball games for up to 15 students at a time. The other is 9 Square Castle Square, a versatile piece of equipment that could be used by all ages, both inside and outside. The purchase of these items will add a great deal of play value to recess and give students of all grades many new ways to play team games together and improve their coordination, physical literacy and team work. Staff will support kids to use these play items during recess and sometimes during gym time as well.

2. Organization Mandate:

Crawford Bay School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) strives to represent the diversity within our school community and contribute to the benefit of all students.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

All students at Crawford Bay School, both elementary and secondary will benefit from these fun and educational additions to their recess and gym time. It's important that we provide many opportunities for our kids to learn new physical and social skills and take part in accessible team games.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Staff and parents jointly identified some issues kids are facing during recess. Namely that kids often appear bored with the static play equipment installed over ten years ago, and this contributes to the social isolation of some kids, and sometimes unsafe and disruptive behavior staff have observed in other kids during recess. Staff and parents feel that adding some more structured play equipment that is portable and encourages different kinds of group play would greatly improve the social and physical experience of students and lead to better recess and gym outcomes.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Parent Advisory Council fundraises for additions to the school that we believe will benefit our kids. We have a history of successful fundraising for many elements that directly impact the school's ability to offer a good quality of education, including play equipment.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

School Principle and teachers and other support staff will be responsible for caring for the equipment, teaching kids how to use it, and supervising them while they play.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

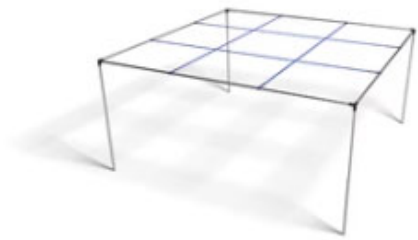
10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

PAC contributes by research, grant writing and providing fund administration without any fees. Staff will volunteer time to learn about ways to incorporate equipment into recess.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



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\$753.00

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Organization **South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society**

Registration # S-57088

Box 182, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Kids Theatre Summer Camp**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Either the Crawford Bay Hall or Gray Creek Hall, depending on availability.

Importance to the community:

Any child in Area A interested in acting, or any other aspect of theatre, would currently have to travel to Nelson to participate in this kind of activity. It is important that we in Area A can offer cultural and social opportunities to our kids during the summer when there is little else offered for them. The 16 kids that would experience the program will benefit in terms of confidence, introduction to the arts, and the feeling of something to work towards

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 8/5/2024 Project End: 8/9/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,400.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$1,400.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$1,400.00	\$2,645.00	\$2,645.00

Project: Kids Theatre Summer Camp

1. The project will provide:

This kid's theatre summer camp project will be a week-long experience for east shore kids between 8-12 years old that will run 4 hours a day and culminate in a theatrical presentation to an invited audience. Kids will learn the basics of acting and improvisation and work together and have a huge amount of fun making some theatre. Led by an experienced theatre facilitator and an assistant.

2. Organization Mandate:

SKLCSS exists to seed social and economic growth on the East Shore

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Any child in Area A interested in acting, or any other aspect of theatre, would currently have to travel to Nelson to participate in this kind of activity. It is important that we in Area A can offer cultural and social opportunities to our kids during the summer when there is little else offered for them. The 16 kids that would experience the program will benefit in terms of confidence, introduction to the arts, and the feeling of something to work towards

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This will provide a unique opportunity for kids in Area A to get together during the summer months and have a cultural and social learning experience that might just begin a life-long love of theatre and the arts. There is no existing opportunities of this kind in the area.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

SKLCSS has delivered many successful programs for children and youth on the East Shore, such as the Youth Council, Junior Squad and the East Shore Alliance Supporting the Early Years. We have a paid administrator to oversee grants and projects

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Ellie Reynolds is a local theatre professional who has taught theatre to kids at the College of the Rockies as well having her own career as a solo theatre artist. She will coordinate and facilitate the program along with an assistant.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Facilitator will volunteer hours to advertise, register and plan the program.

Save On Foods will offer free fruit as snacks for kids during the program

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch**

Registration # S35251

P.O. Box 1001 Creston BC, V0B 1G0, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Wildlife Connectivity with Wildsight Creston**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

The water monitoring work will take place on the Goat River and Summit Creek. The nature walks will take place throughout the valley: in the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area, the Creston Community Forest, Stagleap Provincial Park and Kapapa Trail. The turtle basking logs and fencing projects will occur in the Creston Wildlife Management Area. The barbed wire fence removal will take place in the CVWMA near Duck Lake. Elk corridors are being identified in the Creston Valley. The watershed trailer event will take place at community events like the farmers' market and the fall fair.

Importance to the community:

The water sampling will engage volunteers in getting to know their local water resources, as well as collecting baseline data. This benefits all community members that fish, swim, recreate and drink from our local watershed. The data will also be useful to government and water managers in the Creston Valley.

Enhancing Western Painted Turtle habitat in the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area helps to preserve natural species diversity in the Creston Valley.

Preserving wildlife corridors by removing fallen down barbed wire fencing and identifying elk corridors benefits the whole community by safeguarding biodiversity and resiliency in the local environment. Ungulates are an important food source for many families in the valley. Maintaining their corridors ensures healthy ungulate populations.

The watershed teaching trailer events will engage the community in watershed health. It will give community members greater literacy on how to preserve water quality and quantity in the valley.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 5/31/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$400.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,100.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$3,000.00		

Project: Wildlife Connectivity with Wildsight Creston

Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$8,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$8,000.00	\$17,961.00	\$17,961.00

1. The project will provide:

Wildsight Creston Valley Branch (WCVB) will bring activities on watershed connections to the local community. WCVB will do water monitoring in the Creston Valley using Water Rangers kits, and the Canadian Aquatic Biomonitoring Network (CABIN) protocol. This project will collect basic water quality data, biomonitoring indicators, and engage community members in citizen science. This year, WCVB will partner with the Creston Valley Rod and Gun (CVRG) to train additional volunteers to monitor Summit Creek.

WCVB will host nature walks from June to October. The nature walks will take place at different trails around the Creston Valley. Community members will get acquainted with these natural spaces, so they can return to them again on their own time.

WCVB will also be improving turtle fencing at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management area with the help of volunteers. This work will help improve habitat for the turtles, reduce road mortality and engage the public.

WCVB will engage the community on wildlife corridors by hosting barbed wire fencing removal work bees and outreach at the farmers market. WCVB is also mapping elk migration corridors working with local first nations and the CVRG.

WCVB will use a mobile watershed teaching trailer for public engagement at 1-2 community events. This interactive trailer helps communities engage with watershed health, and promotes stewardship of our water.

2. Organization Mandate:

Wildsight Creston Valley Branch (WCVB) is engaged in creating healthy, sustainable communities that protect our environment, wildlife and water. WCVB holds events about local ecology. Our most popular events are: a photography show called Local Colours, a Winter Film Festival, and the Creston Valley Bird Festival. WCVB advocates for protecting biodiversity in the Creston Valley. Using a science-based approach, WCVB develops projects that enhance landscape connection. We also do community-based water monitoring in the Creston Valley to engage the community in healthy watershed management. WCVB prioritizes conservation projects that enable community involvement in the Creston Valley.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The water sampling will engage volunteers in getting to know their local water resources, as well as collecting baseline data. This benefits all community members that fish, swim, recreate and drink from our local watershed. The data will also be useful to government and water managers in the Creston Valley.

Enhancing Western Painted Turtle habitat in the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area helps to preserve natural species diversity in the Creston Valley.

Project: Wildlife Connectivity with Wildsight Creston

Preserving wildlife corridors by removing fallen down barbed wire fencing and identifying elk corridors benefits the whole community by safeguarding biodiversity and resiliency in the local environment. Ungulates are an important food source for many families in the valley. Maintaining their corridors ensures healthy ungulate populations.

The watershed teaching trailer events will engage the community in watershed health. It will give community members greater literacy on how to preserve water quality and quantity in the valley.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

WCVB is working collaboratively with community partners on environmental issues. Watershed health can be affected by agriculture, development, and climate change. The Fish and Wildlife Compensation Project and the Kootenay Conservation Program have identified water monitoring in the Creston Valley to be an opportunity. The CVWMA, CVRG and Lower Kootenay Band are interested in restoration work in Summit Creek for Kokanee.

Western painted turtles are blue listed in BC because they are vulnerable to human activities. The Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area has identified the need to fix fencing to reduce risk of mortality on the road.

Improving and maintaining wildlife corridors is a priority in the Creston Valley as identified by the Kootenay Conservation Program, and the Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative. Anthropogenic change in the Creston Valley is putting these wildlife corridors at risk.

WCVB outreach events will help people connect with our local ecosystems.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

WCVB runs many public engagement activities in the Valley. WCVB has put on events such as: a speakers' series (1990-2021), Winter Film Festival (2015-2024), Local Colours Photography Show (2011-2020, 2022, 2024). The Creston Valley Bird Festival (2012-2023) also runs through the Wildsight Creston Valley Branch. WCVB has the capacity to organize volunteers and manage environmental projects. Since 2020, WCVB has done community nature walks, Family Place nature walks and Water Rangers monitoring, turtle fencing work bees and barbed wire fencing removal work bees with success.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Project Director-Coordinator of Wildsight Creston Valley Melissa Flint will be implementing this program. She has a background in organic farming, conservation biology, permaculture and environmental education. As a project manager in the Canadian Aquatic Biomonitoring Network (CABIN) protocol. She has experience organizing projects and volunteers in her work as a Wildsight Educator and Know & Grow Community Greenhouse Coordinator. She also has experience leading walks and field trips through her work with Wildsight Education. She has been implementing projects for Wildsight Creston Valley Branch for 4 years.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Treasurer Bookkeeping Work: \$25/hours @ 6hrs/month for 12 months		1800
Water Monitoring Volunteers: \$25/hours@ 30h *6 people	4500	
Water Monitoring Advisor: \$25/hours@ 10h *1 person	250	
Turtle habitat enhancement Volunteers: \$25/hours@ 2h *10 people		500

Wildsight - Creston Valley Branch

RDCK File No. 196-2024

Project: Wildlife Connectivity with Wildsight Creston

Barbed Wire Volunteers: \$25/hours@ 2h *10 people	500	
Volunteers for water trailer \$25/hours @ 6h *4 people		600
Volunteers for farmers market \$25/hours @ 6h *4 people		600
Volunteers for Elk Cooridors Mapping \$25/hours @ 10h *2 people		500
Total	9250	

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



February 16, 2024

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Letter of Support for - Wildsight Creston Valley Branch

The Kootenay Columbia Discovery Centre Society's (KCDCS) would like to support the application by the Wildsight Creston Valley Branch for funding of their Wildlife Connectivity Program through the Columbia Basin Trust Resident Directed Grants in 2023/24.

Wildsight Creston Valley Branch's program for 2024-2025 will include projects around watershed connections in the Creston Valley. WCVB will do community-based water monitoring in the Creston Valley using Water Rangers kits, and the Canadian Aquatic Biomonitoring Network (CABIN) protocol. This project will collect basic water quality data, biomonitoring data, and engage community members in citizen science. The data will be included on the Columbia Basin Water Hub. This project will be expanded to include Creston Rod and Gun volunteers for Summit Creek.

WCVB will also do nature walks. The nature walks will take place at different trails around the Creston Valley, and expand on local ecology and history of the area. WCVB will also organize volunteers to help maintain the turtle fence at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area to reduce road mortality. WCVB will also organize barbed wire fencing work bees to remove derelict fencing in the CVWMA.

Wildsight Creston Valley Branch has partnered with KCDCS on previous nature walks, as well as with the Creston Valley Bird Festival. Both organizations deliver environmental education and advocate for the rich biodiversity of the Creston Valley. We look forward to partnering with them again this year.

Thank you for your consideration of Wildsight Creston Valley's programming in 2024/2025.

Sincerely,

Carla Ahern

Senior Manager, KCDCS

education@discovery-centre.ca

Organization **Valley Community Services Society**

Registration # 892372285RR0001
915 Pine Street, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Healthy Families Program**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston

The project will take place at Family Place Neighbourhood House, located at 617 11th Avenue South (Families) and at 915 Pine Street (seniors).

Importance to the community:

This project is important to our community because it has the potential to decrease the negative impacts of not having adequate food/nutrition. This impacts the healthy development of young children and supports the well-being of seniors. Families living in poverty and those with low income will benefit from farmers market coupons which gives access to free local food. Families also will benefit from learning ways to prepare and store food that is locally available to reduce the cost of obtaining food. Supporting families results in better outcomes for children. Supporting seniors results in increased health and well-being.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,500.00	\$4,999.00	\$4,999.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$4,999.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$16,497.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$16,497.00	\$18,497.00	\$18,497.00

1. The project will provide:

This project delivers nutritional education and support for families with young children in Creston and surrounding communities. The project includes providing Farmer's market coupons to low income families and seniors and providing families with education regarding the preparation of affordable, nutritious meals. Facilitators provide hands on group sessions where families learn how to prepare meals and preserve local produce to reduce the cost of eating healthy meals year round.

2. Organization Mandate:

Valley Community Services promotes community well-being through the provision of social supports and services.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important to our community because it has the potential to decrease the negative impacts of not having adequate food/nutrition. This impacts the healthy development of young children and supports the well-being of seniors. Families living in poverty and those with low income will benefit from farmers market coupons which gives access to free local food. Families also will benefit from learning ways to prepare and store food that is locally available to reduce the cost of obtaining food. Supporting families results in better outcomes for children. Supporting seniors results in increased health and well-being.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Rising costs of food are resulting in families and seniors having less food to eat, less nutritional food and less access to food. This is especially true for low income people. These issues have been identified through participant feedback specifically in our early childhood and seniors programs where an increasing number of people are struggling to pay for food and other basic necessities.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organisation provides 35 social programs for our community. We have been providing programming since inception in 1996. Our staff are well trained and we focus on providing quality programming. Our Better at Home seniors program supports approximately 60 seniors to maintain their independence while living at home. Our Early Childhood programs are well attended and served 152 adults and 174 children last year. We aim to support families wherever possible to increase positive outcomes for children. Our organisation seeks to improve service delivery and ensure responsiveness to community needs by obtaining funding when none exists.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Pregnancy Outreach Program Coordinator and staff will provide education and support families to obtain and prepare nutritious food. Program staff will administer the distribution of coupons. The Executive Director will obtain coupons for our agency. The program manager will support staff who deliver the program and ensure program goals are met.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Project: Healthy Families Program

We have applied for coupons for 60 participants this year from the provincial Farmers Market Coupon program. Each participant will receive \$25/week to spend at the Farmers Market. This provides free food to participants and sales for the market.

The Farmer's Market Coupon Program requires a significant amount of administration aside from coupon distribution. This will be provided by the organisation in kind. In addition, the value of the coupons, will provide each person with \$432 to spend at the market for a total of \$25,920 being provided to the community and the market (assuming we receive the number of coupons requested). This is the total amount of free food made available to families and seniors through this program.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Creston Pet Adoption and Welfare Society**

Registration # 124-891352569 RR0001
2805 Lower Wynndel Road, Creston BC V0B 1G8

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Spay/Neuter & Vaccination Program**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston
The program is organized by PAWS. The actual procedure and vaccination are contracted through the Creston Veterinary Hospital, with whom PAWS has had a long-term relationship.
For the animals that are adopted out prior to the Spay or Neuter, the \$45 voucher is honored at various BC Veterinary Hospital. This provides PAWS with the necessary proof of sterilization by which we can measure the efficacy of the program.

Importance to the community:
The issue of feral cats/colonies is a large, ongoing, and challenging issue in all contribute the areas we serve. A shortage of vet services and a lack of a Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) program to control the feral feline population all to the number of unwanted litters.

Financial hardship and the housing situation where renters can't find a place that allows pets, contribute to the high volume of surrendered or abandoned cats. The biggest risks to the health of all cats is the Feline Leukemia Virus (FLV) and the Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) a contagious, communicable and potentially deadly diseases. Testing, vaccinating and euthanizing ill feral cats are essential in keeping all community cats as healthy as possible.

Thus, both the community and stray animals are positively affected by the program.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 5/31/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$900.00	\$11,846.00	\$940.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$11,554.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING	\$25,240.00

			REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$25,240.00	\$25,240.00	\$25,240.00

1. The project will provide:

The goal of the PAWS Spay/Neuter & Vaccination (S/N & V) project is to reduce the overpopulation of cats and dogs in our area. PAWS spays and neuters all age-appropriate pets before adoption. Those too young for sterilization go to their new home with a \$45 spay/neuter voucher to help offset the cost of the procedure, which has been met with an overwhelmingly positive response. Every cat and dog coming into our care is vaccinated as per veterinary guidelines.

Part of our Constitution mandate is to find safe, loving, forever homes for abused, abandoned, stray, and unwanted animals. This project supports our efforts to control pet overpopulation by S/N & V animals before they leave our shelter. We ensure that all pets in our care are vaccinated as soon as possible, to protect them from illness and disease.

2. Organization Mandate:

PAWS is a non-profit, volunteer-run, no-kill animal shelter that serves the Creston Valley. We are dedicated to finding loving homes for abandoned, rescued, surrendered, and abused pets in the Valley. We educate the public through community outreach. We provide veterinary care, rehabilitation, socialization, and spaying or neutering as required. Community outreach is achieved through education, re-homing assistance, and reuniting lost pets.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The issue of feral cats/colonies is a large, ongoing, and challenging issue in all contribute the areas we serve. A shortage of vet services and a lack of a Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) program to control the feral feline population all to the number of unwanted litters.

Financial hardship and the housing situation where renters can't find a place that allows pets, contribute to the high volume of surrendered or abandoned cats. The biggest risks to the health of all cats is the Feline Leukemia Virus (FLV) and the Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) a contagious, communicable and potentially deadly diseases. Testing, vaccinating and euthanizing ill feral cats are essential in keeping all community cats as healthy as possible.

Thus, both the community and stray animals are positively affected by the program.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

PAWS is a non-profit, volunteer-run organization whose funding comes only from donations, fundraising, and grants. Animals coming into our care almost always need to be S/N&V, which creates a great financial burden for an organization reliant on donations, fundraising, and grants. It means selling a lot of pies, hot dogs, and dog cookies, but the cost of the program has now far exceeded what it's possible to even come close to by fundraising.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

PAWS serves just over 9,000 square miles, from Rykerts in the south, west to Salmo, north to Riondel, and east to Yahk. We're the only animal welfare organization in the area.

Project: Spay/Neuter & Vaccination Program

In 2023 PAWS rescued, fostered, provided veterinary care and rehabilitation to over 194 cats and dogs. We pooled our resources and helped Meant 2B Loved with their TNR in Creston. By increasing the foster homes we were able to care for over 50 cats (not including litters) from May to Sept. As soon as a cat would leave our facility, a foster brought in a cat that's been waiting, often with their litter.

Thus, our intake numbers can easily quadruple during kitten season (fast approaching!).

We are fortunate to have a retired vet and some vet techs and trained nurses volunteering their time and home to help triage and care for our more needy cats.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The executive and board of directors of PAWS are responsible for implementing the program from the time of intake to adoption. The board approves adopters of shelter animals and conducts governance activities for the organization, among numerous other duties.

The Creston Veterinary Hospital plays a key role as they perform the procedure/vaccination. PAWS volunteers support the program by processing paperwork, arranging appointments, and transporting the pet to and from the clinic. If the pet is underage, the office volunteers make sure that adopters have the spay/neuter voucher and are aware of the timeline in which the surgery must be completed.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

As a volunteer-run organization, countless people hours are devoted to sheltering cats and dogs that come into our care. This care produces a myriad of volunteer activities, including organization governance, office administration, caring for the animals themselves (receiving, feeding, cleaning, administering meds/treatments, socialization, transport to/from vet, etc.), and maintaining and upgrading the shelter itself. As these activities are integral to the entire adoption process (which in turn leads to the S/N&V of shelter animals), the program can't succeed without volunteer support.

NEW for 2024, PAWS is actively working with the Town of Creston, Creston Veterinary Hospital, SNAP, SPCA, and Meant 2 Loved (Feral Rescue organization - Cindy Jowsey is their Creston and area Volunteer) to create an TNR program for the Town of Creston. We also hope that this collaboration will help identify and target problem areas, establish open communication and pooled resources to help tackle feline overpopulation.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **East Kootenay Foundation for Health**

Registration # 118878677RR0001
13 24th Ave N, Cranbrook BC V1C 3H9

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Creston Valley Hospital Healing Garden - Phase 1**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

There is existing space at the front of the Creston Valley Hospital for a healing garden. As part of the planning phase, we will further determine if there are any other possibilities or places within the facility to expand the garden or make micro green spaces.

Importance to the community:

Everyone will require health care at some point in their lives. Healing gardens recognize that supporting patients and their families require more than treatment, they require care.

Adding a healing garden to the Creston Valley will create a much needed space for patients and their loved ones to feel cared for.

It will be a space where people can breathe, relax, feel connected to nature, and at peace. Everyone at the hospital, including health care staff, will benefit from it.

The garden will also provide volunteer opportunities for new and different community members to stay connected and supportive of community health in Creston.

A key component of the feasibility study and design plan completed in phase one will be engaging the community and discovering what local organizations and resources are available in Creston to additionally benefit from the project.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 7/1/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,000.00	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$4,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			

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			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$13,000.00
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00

1. The project will provide:

We are planning a healing garden for the front of the hospital at the Creston Valley Hospital. This project has been chosen following the success of the Columbia Gardens Healing Garden recently built in Invermere.

The project has three phases:

1. Feasibility and Design [2024-2025]
2. Fundraising Campaign [2025-2026]
3. Installation [2026-2027]

We are requesting support for the first phase to have a consultant work closely with EKFH, Interior Health, Yaqaan Nukiy, and Creston Valley community members to complete a feasibility study and design plan for the space and garden.

This plan will outline a design for the garden that includes:

- Safety & accessible
- Native and sustainable plant inclusion
- Environmentally friendly design
- Cost of installation, integration with existing IH irrigation systems, and upkeep
- Community partnerships and volunteer coordination for installation and ongoing maintenance

Having a plan in place will allow us to find community support and develop a fundraising campaign to see the Healing Garden complete in 2026/2027.

2. Organization Mandate:

East Kootenay Foundation for Health provides funding to the East Kootenay Interior Health region. This serves a catchment area of over 85,000 British Columbians and includes:

- East Kootenay Regional Hospital
- Creston Valley Hospital
- Invermere and District Hospital
- Golden and District Hospital
- Elk Valley Hospital.

We also provide funding for:

- Kimberley Health Centre
- Elkford Health Centre

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- Sparwood Health Centre
- Columbia House
- Dr FW Green Home
- Durand Manor
- Kimberley Special Care Home

and community health care programs throughout the East Kootenay Region.

EKFH relies on donations and gifts to provide vital, leading-edge medical equipment, and patient comforts to the East Kootenay Region. Donations can support a specific community facility; medical area of the donor's choice or can be designated unrestricted to help areas of greatest need. Donating to EKFH helps ensure that we are able to provide up to date medical care for you, your family and friends, and your community. Through the donations, EKFH strives to make sure the East Kootenay region is equipped with state-of-the-art technology for care and patient comfort. Well-equipped facilities help attract and keep highly-skilled medical personnel to live in East Kootenay and provide excellent medical service to East Kootenay residents.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Everyone will require health care at some point in their lives. Healing gardens recognize that supporting patients and their families require more than treatment, they require care.

Adding a healing garden to the Creston Valley will create a much needed space for patients and their loved ones to feel cared for.

It will be a space where people can breathe, relax, feel connected to nature, and at peace. Everyone at the hospital, including health care staff, will benefit from it.

The garden will also provide volunteer opportunities for new and different community members to stay connected and supportive of community health in Creston.

A key component of the feasibility study and design plan completed in phase one will be engaging the community and discovering what local organizations and resources are available in Creston to additionally benefit from the project.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Healthcare staff have identified a lack of outdoor, safe, healing spaces for patients and families at the Creston Valley Hospital. Several studies show associations between experiencing nature and better healing, a reduction in the use of medication, shorter hospital stays, and diminished mental strain among family members and health care staff. Gardens also provide opportunities for exercise and movement outdoor, as well as access to nature and positive distractions.

The construction of a healing garden will give patients, their families, and loved ones a space to for care and healing that is outside of their hospital room.

This space will be accessible and supported by volunteers to encourage connection among the community.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

EKFH has worked with Interior Health to funded and bring many successful projects and improvements to health care facilities in the region.

The Columbia House Healing Garden in Invermere, which inspired this project, was coordinated by the Columbia House Enhancement Society. EKFH supported fundraising efforts during the project, and has been interested in seeing similar projects start across the region. Creston is well positioned to be the next healing garden, but requires leadership from EKFH to see the project through to completion and long term success.

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Taking this planning step in the process will allow EKFH to build new community partnerships and confirm if a healing garden addition is possible in Creston Valley, as well as a potential for the other East Kootenay Health Region sites.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

East Kootenay Foundation for Health will coordinate the planning and fundraising for the project. EKFH has been working across the East Kootenay health region for decades to bring leading-edge medical equipment, and patient comforts to health care facilities.

We lack the resources and staff time to develop the garden plan on our own. A hired consultant can bring the community engagement, planning, and development experience to work with the Creston community to develop the garden plan.

IH staff will provide expertise to ensure the garden is meaningful, accessible, and safe for all Creston patients, visitors, and staff.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Most in-kind contributions will be requested once we are in the fundraising and development phase of the project. During planning and engagement, we may ask for communications support from local media and sharing within different Creston Valley Community Organizations but do not anticipate any major in-kind contributions.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **West Kootenay Watershed Collaborative**

Registration # S0077239

7025 Beggs Road, Nelson BC V1L 6S5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Branching Out for Watershed Understanding**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, City of Nelson

Specific sites for presentations are still to be determined dependent on space and scheduling. Preliminarily: Kaslo-Langham, Crawford Bay, Harrop-Proctor, and Nelson/Taghum Hall

Importance to the community:

This project is important to communities in the RDCK because they require the tools and knowledge provided by cutting-edge science to participate in land use decisions that affect them. The Central Kootenays have more domestic surface water sources than many other areas of the Province. Millions of dollars of real estate and infrastructure lie at the mouth of creeks, streams and brooks. The threat of drought, wildfire and landslides is expected to increase with climate change. Kootenay Lake and River residents have high property assessments yet the average RDCK individual income in 2020 (after tax) was the lowest in the Columbia Basin. Funds to repair water system damage and to conduct risk assessments are limited. These workshops will deliver easily digestible information to residents and ratepayers to increase their knowledge and participation in decision making. This will assist community members in responding to requests for input.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 6/1/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,500.00			\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,200.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
			\$1,500.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slokan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$10,700.00

Project: Branching Out for Watershed Understanding

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$10,700.00	\$13,400.00	\$13,400.00

1. The project will provide:

"Branching Out," wants to inform residents dependent on surface water for both drinking and agriculture on the latest science and thinking around watershed defense, resilience and quality. In a series of four workshops/presentations we will support our mutual interests by staying current and active in our need to protect local resources. These discussions will be recorded and considered in looking for subjects of ongoing and urgent issues. Collaborative practices require that we as an organization listen and weave into our project the real concerns of our evolving communities. This will take place at 4 distinct and diverse locations situated in the RDCK to maximize community input and participation.

2. Organization Mandate:

To support, connect and share resources with communities along Kootenay Lake to the confluence at the Columbia River, as they create and enact long-term, cohesive and kincentric plans to protect, restore and utilize their community watersheds.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is important to communities in the RDCK because they require the tools and knowledge provided by cutting-edge science to participate in land use decisions that affect them. The Central Kootenays have more domestic surface water sources than many other areas of the Province. Millions of dollars of real estate and infrastructure lie at the mouth of creeks, streams and brooks. The threat of drought, wildfire and landslides is expected to increase with climate change. Kootenay Lake and River residents have high property assessments yet the average RDCK individual income in 2020 (after tax) was the lowest in the Columbia Basin. Funds to repair water system damage and to conduct risk assessments are limited. These workshops will deliver easily digestible information to residents and ratepayers to increase their knowledge and participation in decision making. This will assist community members in responding to requests for input.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

In exploring the larger landscape; inclusive of existing housing developments, we are attempting to get an on the ground assessment of the public's understanding of both what a watershed is and how it is impacted by human activities on the landscape. The issues were identified through the WKWC's own experiences over the past 3 years. Public commentary and the real exhaustion accompanied with tears and searching for other ways to address the losses motivates this project for public education and outreach. Taking direction from the RDCK's own collected stories in the Watershed Governance Initiative we are engaging the new science of attribution to effectively address community concerns.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The WKWC is unique in that its geographic focus is delivering information and education to the communities on Kootenay Lake and Kootenay River to the confluence of the Columbia River. We have and will continue to forge relationships with local groups working on land-use education and recently contributed to the Nelson Museum: Archives and Gallery Show "Elevate."

Our organization is relatively new, participating in the Healthy Watersheds Initiative (HWI) prior to our incorporation. Through that project some of our board members were involved in taking part in project development for Community in Nature as part of the HWI. Since incorporation in the fall of 2022, we have sponsored Dr. Younes Alila

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PhD UBC at a public information session at the North Shore Hall, had community information tables in front of the Kootenay Country Store Co-operative, and held a successful Organizational Launch on a snowy December Day.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

In parallel with our work the Board of WKWC and our speakers/organizations: The UBC Hydrology Lab of Dr. Younes Alila, Wildfire and Water Presentation led by Fire Ecologist Robert Gray BSc and a Forest Ecologist to be determined.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

The WKWC is a working Board and will be hands on for both the planning and development stages of the project. In addition, Board members will report on the meetings, provide transportation and conduct the final project accounting to Redi Grant.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society

Registration # BC SOCIETIES #: S0064739; CHARITABLE #: 800102675 RR0001
PO Box 763, CRESTON BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)

Project will be located in: RDCK Area C

The project will take place out of the Discovery Centre located within the CVWMA (West Creston). The surrounding wetland and trails are an ideal outdoor classroom. Special programs and events will also take place at other locations within the CVWMA (i.e. Duck Lake, Summit Creek).

The 17,000 acre wetland that is the CVWMA was set aside in 1968 as a Wildlife Management Area (it was the first Wildlife Management Area in the province of BC). It's recognized as a wetland of international importance (Ramsar Site), and is nationally recognized as an Important Bird Area and Important Amphibian and Reptile Area.

Importance to the community:

The CVWMA is an international destination and a large economic driver in our region. From 2018-2023, over 23,000 visitors came through the Discovery Centre and programs were delivered to over 18,000 people.

We partner with local businesses and organizations to offer programs and events that promote and facilitate people of all ages connecting to nature and our local landscape. Examples of these partnerships include: Creston Public Library, Creston Museum, Grizzly Bear Out of School Care, Wildsight Creston, Friends of Kootenay Lake Society, Creston Valley Bird Festival, WildSafeBC, Kootenay Trout Hatchery and others.

School programs are supported by school districts 5, 6, 8, 10 and 20. Visitor and other program participants come from across the Columbia Basin, BC, Canada and beyond.

Support is gathered through free Memberships. We currently have 1,400 members from within our community and beyond that support the work to deliver educational programs and connect people to nature.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/20/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,250.00	\$4,750.00	\$4,750.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver

Project: Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)

		\$3,750.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$14,500.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$14,500.00	\$181,638.00	\$181,638.00

1. The project will provide:

Since 2018, the Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society (KCDCS) has offered Wetland Education and Awareness Programs (WEAP) that deliver engaging, informative and fun environmental education programs and events that focus on the importance of wetlands, the purpose of the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) and its connection to the greater goals of land conservation within the province.

The WEAP includes the delivery of: BC curriculum matched school programs (K-12, matching to the science curriculum - an example would be our Grade 2 program which focuses on local water sources, water conservation and water cycle which are part of the science curriculum for that age); guided canoe and walking excursions; interpretive presentations; kids summer nature camps; group events; and virtual and self-guided programs.

KCDCS also operates a Discovery Centre where visitors can view and interact with a variety of displays, taxidermy, hands-on activities, a video microscopes with curated samples and much more. This allows visitors to learn about the wetland and wildlife of the area. The Centre is open seasonally from May to October. The majority of onsite program and events take place during this time frame. From November to April, when the Centre is closed, we offer some special events onsite and we travel to local schools to deliver programs in the classroom.

2. Organization Mandate:

The purpose of the Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society is to promote and provide environmental education and awareness programs and activities in the Kootenay-Columbia region.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

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We partner with local businesses and organizations to offer programs and events that promote and facilitate people of all ages connecting to nature and our local landscape. Examples of these partnerships include: Creston Public Library, Creston Museum, Grizzly Bear Out of School Care, Wildsight Creston, Friends of Kootenay Lake Society, Creston Valley Bird Festival, WildSafeBC, Kootenay Trout Hatchery and others.

School programs are supported by school districts 5, 6, 8, 10 and 20. Visitor and other program participants come from across the Columbia Basin, BC, Canada and beyond.

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Project: Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

There is a need within our region for environmental education programs and events. Since the 1970's, environmental education programs have been successfully delivered at the CVWMA, earning a long-standing reputation for high quality, well-attended programs and events. KCDCS is proud to continue that tradition for the last 6 years to great success. And we look forward to continuing to do so into the future.

From 2018 to present, KCDCS has hosted over 23,000 visitors in our Discovery Centre, delivered school programs to over 8,500 students, hosted 414 kids in our summer nature camps, paddled 4,700 people on guided canoe tours and delivered special events to over 5,000 people.

We want to continue to deliver and grow high quality environmental education programs for students, adults, families, and seniors so that we can continue to cultivate an understanding and appreciation for the natural world and promote respect and stewardship for wild spaces.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

In 2012, the CVWMA announced that financial support for the existing Centre and programs would cease. The Centre closed permanently in 2017. The importance of having interpretive programs in Creston was widely recognized and therefore an "Interpretive Centre Committee" was struck that included broad government/stakeholder representation. Several meetings and public open houses were held. As a result, KCDCS was formed and tasked with investigating opportunities to continue to deliver the interpretive programs, independent of government and CVWMA funding.

In 2018, KCDCS signed a memorandum of understanding with CVWMA to take over program delivery. KCDCS built a temporary facility to use while a plan to build a new Centre is underway. From 2018-2023, program participation and visitor numbers were on par with CVWMA deliverables. KCDCS retained the CVWMA's Education Coordinator (now KCDCS's Senior Manager), bringing over a decade of knowledge and expertise related to running a Centre and related programming.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The KCDCS Operations Committee as well as the Senior Manager will plan, organize and oversee the daily operations of the WEAP under the general supervision of the KCDCS Board and in ongoing consultation with the CVWMA. The CVWMA and KCDCS have a memorandum of understanding in place that determines the working relationship between the two organizations (they work closely together to ensure a high quality visitor experience). Seasonal staff are hired to help deliver programming.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

KCDCS works closely with the CVWMA to ensure that the public receives a safe and valuable experience on site (i.e. working together to ensure trails are upkept and maintained, communicating relevant public safety information (bear sightings flooded trails etc.)).

Relationships with local and regional organizations and the Yaqan Nukiy people are continually developed and cultivated so that we can work together to promote education and conservation initiatives.

Project: Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP)

We work with local volunteers to do some stewardship related projects such as nesting box surveys, butterflies surveys and invasive species removal.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



LOWER KOOTENAY BAND

3425 Hwy 21/Old Community Rd, Creston, BC V0B 1G2 Ph:250-428-4428

August 16, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre's Wetland Education and Awareness Programs (WEAP)

I Norm Allard would like to offer my support to the Kootenay Columbia Discovery Centre Society's (KCDCS's) Wetland Education and Awareness Programs (WEAP) at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) in 2024 and beyond.

Since 2018, KCDCS has delivered high quality environmentally focused education programs, continuing the tradition of programming that has been ongoing at the CVWMA since 1974.

The WEAP delivers engaging, informative and fun environmental education programs and events related to wetland ecosystems and wildlife to a variety of audiences. They offer school programs (PreK-12), summer nature camps, guided tours, stewardship programs, special events and more.

KCDCS is seeking funding to continue to deliver its programs and events and operate the Discovery Centre, home to a variety of hands-on educational displays and information about the area and wildlife. Since 2018, KCDCS has hosted over 25,000 visitors in its Centre, delivered school programs to over 10,000 students and offered guided tours, summer camps and special events thousands of participants.

Having accessed many programs like this to help with restoration the wetlands restoration work Lower Kootenay Band is doing I believe they are a critical service to communities. WEAP has been great for helping educate my own children on the importance of their environment and we often will visit for a tour and to learn what the program has to offer.

I strongly support KCDCS's mission to continue these exceptional environmental education programs and I believe they are very worthy of receiving your financial support.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Norman Allard Jr.

Community Planner

Lower Kootenay Band

3425 Old Community Rd/Hwy 21,
Creston BC, V0B 1G2

Phone: 250-428-4428 ext. 3922

www.lowerkootenay.com

August 24, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre's Wetland Education and Awareness Programs at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area

Wildsight Creston Valley would like to offer its support to the Kootenay Columbia Discovery Centre Society's (KCDCS) Wetland Education and Awareness Program (WEAP) at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) in 2024 and beyond.

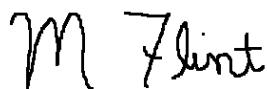
The WEAP delivers engaging, informative and fun environmental education programs and events related to wetland ecosystems and wildlife to a variety of audiences. Programs include: school (PreK-12), summer nature camps, guided tours, stewardship, special events and more! The WEAP creates an understanding and appreciation for the natural world so that participants can make informed decisions and actions related to the environment. Volunteers, community members and other organizations have the opportunity to partner with and participate in initiatives related to wetland conservation, stewardship and research in the Columbia Basin through working with KCDCS.

Wildsight Creston Valley has partnered with KCDCS through the Creston Valley Bird Festival and other various programs. Both organizations have mandates that include promoting and delivering environmental education and awareness opportunities and we look forward to partnering with them again in the 2024 season.

We hope that you can support KCDCS's WEAP through your granting program.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Melissa Flint
Project Director-Coordinator



Erickson Elementary

August 27, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

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As a teacher, I have participated in CVWMA/KCDCS's programs for the past 20 years with my classes. I have participated in the WEAP programs with children in grades 1-7. My students have always been very excited to visit the wetlands and to participate in the programs. Many students are excited to come back to visit with their parents and families after attending the program with our class.

The programs meet many BC curriculum learning outcomes for students in all grades, are engaging, hands on opportunities for the children and provide learning connections to our local environment. The KCDCS plays an important role in our science learning each year.

I strongly support KCDCS's mission to continue these exceptional environmental education programs and I believe they are very worthy of receiving your financial support.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Lavallee

Grade ¾ Teacher, Erickson Elementary School
(stephanie.lavallee@sd8.bc.ca)



TOWN OF CRESTON
PO Box 1339, 238-10th Avenue North, Creston, BC V0B 1G0
Phone: 250-428-2214 Fax: 250-428-9164
email: info@creston.ca



File: 0220-04

August 30, 2023

Re: Support for the Wetland Education and Awareness Programs delivered by KCDCS

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of Council for the Town of Creston, this letter is in support for the wetland education and awareness programs delivered by the Kootenay-Columbia Discovery Centre Society (KCDCS). KCDCS has successfully delivered these well received programs at the Creston Valley Wildlife Management Area (CVWMA) since 2018, continuing a tradition of environmental education that dates back to 1974. The CVWMA and KCDCS's Centre and programs are an economic driver for the region, bringing tourists and visitors from around the province, country and internationally to this area for recreational pursuits and educational opportunities. They are an incredible asset to the greater Creston Valley community and a gem to residents and visitors alike.

KCDCS delivers school programs, summer camps for kids, guided canoe and walking tours and a variety of other special events. Program participants get a hands-on experience in the wetland as they learn about a variety of subjects from the value of the wetland's ecosystem services to bird migration to the importance of insects to a healthy ecosystem and everything in between. Since 2018, KCDCS has delivered school programs to over 10,000 students. Thousands of visitors have participated guided canoe and walking tours and special events over the years and over 25,000 people have visited the Discovery Centre which is home to a variety of educational displays and information about the area and wildlife.

From 2018 to 2022, KCDCS received core funding from Columbia Basin Trust's Community Development Program as well as the CVMWA to build a temporary facility (as the old Centre was permanently closed after the 2017 season and demolished in 2020) and to operate the facility and deliver environmental education programs. In 2023, KCDCS diversified their revenue stream, obtaining financial support from 11 different organizations, foundations and corporations.

The Town of Creston fully supports KCDCS's mission to continue to offer environmental education and awareness program at the CVWMA. Moving forward into 2024 and beyond, they are seeking to renew and find new funding opportunities to ensure these high-quality, well attended programs continue into the future. We hope that you are able to support their initiative.

Sincerely,

Arnold DeBoon
Mayor



Adam Robertson Elementary School

August 18, 2023

To Whom It May Concern:

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As a teacher, I participated in KCDCS's programs in 2023. I brought my class to the program called "Water, water everywhere". I really enjoyed the way that the leaders interacted with all of my students. They were very knowledgeable and answered all of their questions. My students really enjoyed the dip netting and using the microscopes and also seeing birds and turtles. This was a new experience for a lot of them who do not come out with their families. Carla was also very organized and helpful. I cannot wait to bring my class back to the program this year and do hands -on outdoor science activities that are not available in the classroom.

I strongly support KCDCS's mission to continue these exceptional environmental education programs and I believe they are very worthy of receiving your financial support.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Doeleman

Adam Robertson Elementary School, Grades 3 and 4

Organization **Yahk Allied Horse Club**

Registration # 74563 8619 BC0001

PO Box 221, Yahk BC V0B 2P0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **The Fundamental Set Up for Equestrian Facility Phase #1 by Yahk Allied Horse Club**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area B

We are setting up our location in the community of Yahk. We have confirmed that folks will come from all regions of the Kootenays & beyond, to use our facilities. We have support from local residents, offering their help to secure a property, as well as Government agencies researching available public lands. We have a prioritized list of properties in play and will have a location nailed down by end of this year, or sooner. The funds we are asking for are for equipment and supplies that can be easily stored, and moved to the location when we finalize it.

Importance to the community:

Our equestrians struggle with a number of issues. A lack of accessibility to good riding spaces compounded with no protection from the elements. This causes us/them to have to spend resources in other areas, and therefore taking those resources out of the community. We have serious equestrians in the immediate area that compete up to & including International levels. Having an accessible arena to train in would elevate their skills, bringing a positive light to our community and area. This facility can also be used for other events, such as a Muster Point or Safe Place in times of natural disasters, such as Wildfire and Floods. Making professional services such as farriers, veterinarians, equine body workers (eg. massage or chiro) more accessible by having a one location for the pro to attend instead of several different widespread locations. This facility would be a Community Hub.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/17/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$15,500.00	\$1,000.00	\$500.00	
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$500.00		\$1,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
		\$500.00		
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
	\$500.00	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$27,000.00

Project: The Fundamental Set Up for Equestrian Facility Phase #1 by Yahk Allied Horse Club

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$27,000.00	\$72,000.00	\$72,000.00

1. The project will provide:

We are setting up a unique equine facility to serve the Yahk area, the general Kootenay communities & beyond. Our board of directors are passionate, bona fide, equestrians pursuing various disciplines. It's widely known, the Kootenay winters stop most equestrian activities. Our LONG TERM goal is to create an equestrian facility including an INDOOR RIDING ARENA. Our SHORT TERM goal is to start by setting up an outdoor facility, including fencing, footing, and equipment for maintenance.

Our journey began last year & we have a healthy membership of new and renewed members.

We have supported ourselves so far with our memberships and fundraising, like bottle drives, donations, sponsorship, and hosting events like gymkhanas, trail rides, tack sales, print on demand merchandise, such as t-shirts, hats and mugs. This year, we have monthly events planned including several clinics & demonstrations. We have the support of the local and surrounding communities and we are working in alliance with other clubs to achieve our goals.

There is no PUBLIC indoor equestrian facility within a days drive from the Kootenays. We plan to change that.

Creating this year round PUBLIC facility will nurture a healthy lifestyle physically & mentally, as well as supporting the local communities commerce, and thereby creating a multilevel positive impact.

Let's get off the electronics and back to real living.

2. Organization Mandate:

PURPOSE OF YAHK ALLIED HORSE CLUB

1.

(a) to provide membership within a fun, friendly, educational, and supportive atmosphere to all equine enthusiasts no matter their age, level, ability, or discipline.

(b) to develop the art of good horsemanship and encourage the kindly and educated handling and care of the horse.

(c) to stimulate interest in and assist in the organization of horse shows, events, rides, and fundraisers.

(d) to promote all group activities of horse minded people.

(e) to aid in building a better youth in the Yahk area both physically and mentally.

(f) to purchase, lease, hire, or otherwise acquire and hold lands or buildings or any interest therein FOR THE PURPOSE OF BUILDING A FACILITY for the riding, training, showing or exhibiting of horses and related events and to equip the same with the usual and necessary adjuncts.

(g) to receive, acquire, and hold gifts, donations, legacies, and devices

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Our equestrians struggle with a number of issues. A lack of accessibility to good riding spaces compounded with no protection from the elements. This causes us/them to have to spend resources in other areas, and therefore taking those resources out of the community. We have serious equestrians in the immediate area that compete up to& including International levels. Having an accessible arena to train in would elevate their skills, bringing a positive light to our community and area. This facility can also be used for other events, such as a Muster Point or Safe Place in times of natural disasters, such as Wildfire and Floods. Making professional services such as farriers, veterinarians,

Project: The Fundamental Set Up for Equestrian Facility Phase #1 by Yahk Allied Horse Club

equine body workers (eg. massage or chiro) more accessible by having a one location for the pro to attend instead of several different widespread locations. This facility would be a Community Hub.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Fact: There is a lack of accessibility to year-round/PUBLIC equestrian facilities. There is a documented increase in equestrian interest. Through years of being active riders, we have been a part of the traditional ebb and flow of pursuing equestrian activities. We ride hard in the training season, May-October, and then we sit during the down season, November-April. This interruption in the activity is hard on the riders & the horses, physically and mentally. We've done research by reading articles published by Horse Council BC, & other reliable sources, that indicate Equestrianism is on a steep rise, & we've done many public events that support these claims. An example: Yahk Christmas Craft Sale. Our table was visited by many, including an astonishing number of NON HORSEY people, interested in being a part of this wonderful world of equines. We hope to guide people to horses in a safe & educated way.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our experience and networking are a huge plus. We have a large and varied 'Circle of Friends'. We have a good relationship of working together, with fellow clubs, such as Creston Valley Horse Club, East Kootenay Equestrian Association (who use Wycliffe Exhibition Grounds), Horse Association of Central Kootenay. We don't know of another entity with this goal of a facility featuring a PUBLIC indoor arena geared towards equestrian activities. We had a very successful season last year, our 1st year, which helped confirm we were going in the right direction, & we understand the process is going to take time. We are in it for the long haul.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

We have a strong 5 member board, with support from the membership & local community of horse and non-horse folk who all agree this is a worthwhile cause. Most of the labor involved will be done by the many volunteers ready to get started. We have volunteers with skills, and equipment, to put together this outdoor facility as soon as the funding is in place.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

Labor from volunteers
equipment rental from local residents
administrative duties done by the board of directors
in kind contributions from local businesses

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



September 18, 2023

Yahk Allied Horse Club
7960 Hwy 3
Yahk, BC V0B2P0

By Email: thebedazzledhorse@yahoo.com

Dear: Monika Currier

Funding provided for: Equestrian Facility

I am pleased to advise that the following Regional District Director requested funding support be made to your organization as a contribution towards your noted project.

The Board has authorized Community Development Grant funding of \$5,000.00, and payment will be made to your organization in the coming weeks.

Director	Supporting Area	Total Amount of Grant Funding Provided	Less Holdback (10% on support of over \$5,000)	Final Report Required
Roger Tierney	B	\$5,000.00		Yes

Grants of over \$5,000.00 are subject to a 10% holdback and organizations are required to sign and return a funding agreement prior to the release of funding.

A final report is required if noted above, and the holdback portion of funding shall be released once the applicant has submitted a completed financial report form, including copies of invoices to account for the full grant amount. A copy of the final report template is available on the RDCK website at <https://rdck.ca/EN/main/administration/grants.html>.

Sincerely,

Micah Nakonechny
Grants Coordinator

cc: Roger Tierney

Where did we come from and what are we up to?

A few months ago, a bunch of the horse people in Yahk, got together and started to hatch a plan to making horses, to some extent, easier, & definitely more accessible

We have a vision to showcase the many great things the horse world has to offer. We want to promote horses and all the wonderful side effects of being involved with them.

In this area, we have equestrians competing at all sorts of levels, we have a variety of breeders, we are rich in knowledge and horsemanship, and that needs to be shared.

We want to be seen as a friendly group that's going places, doing things, promoting horses and willing to help others do their journey, no matter what that journey is.

We are NOT discipline specific. Our board is comprised of everything from Dressage, Barrel Racing, Working Equitation, pleasure riders to our non riding board member who is just game to be a part of the group!

Now all that I have just mentioned is not that hard to do, and really, there are a few other clubs that are doing a similar kinda thing. And, I know there are a few, public riding grounds around, such as Canyon Park, Trail Horseman, Nelson & District Riding Grounds, and we would like to start by copying those. So, we are definitely looking for a location we can grow into. We'd like to start with the usual necessary essentials, like an outdoor arena, maybe a cross country/trail course, we hope to

have overnighting corrals and eventually a shedrow/stable set up.

But then, we have a bigger vision, and this is where we're different. This is where it gets exciting... The grounds I just mentioned are all very nice in their own right... BUT... None of them are covered. There is not a single PUBLIC covered arena in the area. There are a few very nice private facilities, but... We want to build, over time and with your help, a Public COVERED facility.

A place where you can drop in most anytime and work on your horse, regardless of weather. Another important offer is that this facility could help evacuees in Wildfire season and other emergencies.

As in most of the Kootenays, winter generally means a halt to all kinds of riding, and sometimes, even the simple things, like just a run around or having the farrier out can be a problem.

How many of the horse folks here tonight, secretly dream about a roof to ride under?

There is so much positivity we can draw on, and so much opportunity to help those who don't frequently interact with horses get involved by looking at the bigger picture, and by showcasing and emphasising the diversity of experiences horses can offer. And if you find yourself thinking, "what am I getting for the membership to the Yahk Allied Horse Club?"

You're building a future for horses, your horse, your riding & your ideas.

This riding club is for all of you and the horse.

Excerpt from the “The Sports Reviewer” Article

The Rise of Equestrianism: A Modern Phenomenon

Equestrianism as a Hobby and Lifestyle

Beyond the realm of competitive sports, equestrianism has also emerged as a popular hobby and lifestyle choice. Many individuals find solace and fulfillment in spending time with horses, whether it be through leisurely rides, trail exploration, or engaging in various equestrian activities.

Riding as a hobby offers numerous benefits, both physical and mental. It provides an opportunity for exercise, improving balance, coordination, and overall fitness. The bond formed between horse and rider promotes emotional well-being and can serve as a therapeutic outlet for stress relief and personal growth.

Equestrianism as a lifestyle encompasses a deeper commitment to the care and well-being of horses. Horse owners dedicate themselves to providing proper nutrition, grooming, and veterinary care to ensure the optimal health of their equine companions. This lifestyle choice also involves learning about horsemanship, stable management, and responsible horsekeeping practices.

Furthermore, equestrianism provides a sense of community and camaraderie among enthusiasts. Equestrian clubs, associations, and events offer opportunities for riders to connect, share experiences, and learn from one another. The equestrian community fosters a supportive environment, encouraging lifelong friendships and mentorship.



Equestrianism in Popular Culture

Equestrianism has made a significant impact on popular culture, influencing various forms of entertainment and media. From movies and television shows to literature and fashion, horses and equestrian themes have found their way into the hearts of people worldwide.

In the film industry, equestrian sports and the bond between humans and horses have been depicted in numerous acclaimed movies. These films, such as "Seabiscuit," "War Horse," and "The Black Stallion," capture the beauty and power of horses while portraying the emotional connections between riders and their equine partners.

Television shows and documentaries centered around equestrianism have also gained popularity. They showcase the dedication, skill, and challenges faced by riders in their pursuit of excellence. Such programs provide insight into the equestrian world, educating viewers about the intricacies of the sport and the profound relationships formed between horse and rider.

Equestrian literature, both fictional and non-fictional, has captivated readers with tales of adventure, triumph, and the indomitable spirit of horses. Classic novels like "Black Beauty" by Anna Sewell and "National Velvet" by Enid Bagnold have become timeless literary works, celebrating the bond between humans and horses.



Moreover, equestrian fashion has made a mark in the industry, with riding attire and accessories becoming popular trends. Equestrian-inspired fashion, characterized by tailored jackets, riding boots, and elegant equestrian-themed jewelry, has found its way onto runways and into the wardrobes of fashion-conscious individuals.

Equestrianism's presence in popular culture serves to inspire and educate audiences, promoting an appreciation for horses, their athletic abilities, and the unique bond shared between horse and rider. As this phenomenon continues to evolve, equestrianism remains a captivating aspect of modern society.

The Benefits of Equestrianism

Physical and Mental Health Benefits

Equestrianism offers a range of physical and mental health benefits, making it a popular choice for individuals seeking an active and fulfilling lifestyle. Engaging in horseback riding regularly can significantly improve both your physical strength and coordination.

Riding a horse requires the use of various muscles, including those in your legs, core, and upper body. As you navigate through different gaits and perform movements, you enhance your balance, flexibility, and overall body awareness. This form of exercise can help build muscle tone, improve cardiovascular fitness, and increase joint mobility.



Moreover, equestrianism has proven to have positive effects on mental health. Spending time with horses and being immersed in nature can have a calming and therapeutic effect on the mind. The rhythmic motion of horseback riding can reduce stress and anxiety, promoting relaxation and a sense of well-being. Additionally, the bond formed between rider and horse can boost self-confidence and improve overall mood.

Bonding with Horses

One of the most rewarding aspects of equestrianism is the unique bond that can be developed between the rider and their horse. Horses are highly intuitive animals and have a remarkable ability to sense and respond to human emotions. Through regular interaction and communication, riders can establish a deep connection with their equine companions.

The process of bonding with a horse involves trust, respect, and understanding. Horses are incredibly perceptive and can detect even the slightest changes in body language or energy. This mutual trust and respect between rider and horse create a harmonious partnership, leading to a more enjoyable and fulfilling equestrian experience.

The bond formed with a horse goes beyond the riding aspect. Caring for a horse, grooming, and spending time together outside of the saddle further strengthens the relationship. This connection can provide a sense of companionship and emotional support, enhancing the overall well-being of the rider.

Equestrianism as a Form of Therapy

Equestrianism has gained recognition as a valuable form of therapy for individuals with various physical, emotional, and cognitive challenges. Equine-assisted therapy, often referred to as "horse therapy," is known to have profound effects on individuals with conditions such as autism, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and anxiety disorders.

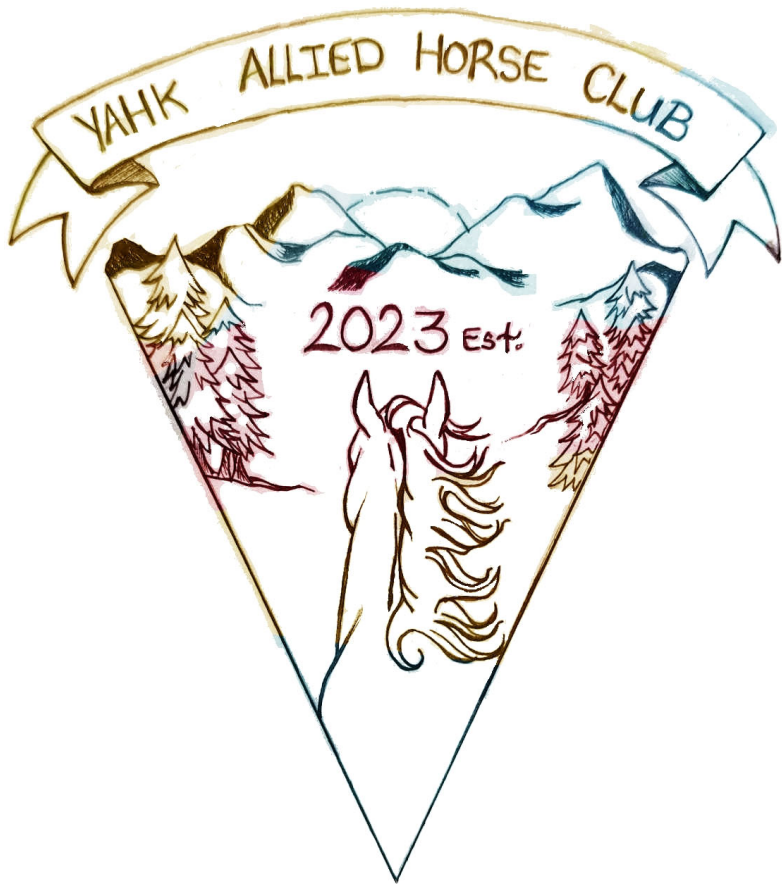


Interacting with horses in a therapeutic setting can help individuals develop essential life skills. The rhythmic motion of horseback riding can improve balance, coordination, and muscle strength. Furthermore, the non-judgmental nature of horses creates a safe and supportive environment, facilitating emotional healing and the development of trust.

Equine-assisted therapy can also enhance social skills and communication abilities. Horses provide immediate feedback to human actions, teaching individuals to be aware of their own behaviors and non-verbal cues. This increased self-awareness can transfer to interactions with other people, improving relationships and overall social functioning.

In summary, equestrianism offers numerous benefits for both physical and mental well-being. From improving physical strength and coordination to fostering deep connections and providing therapeutic support, horseback riding is a modern phenomenon that continues to positively impact the lives of many individuals.

The rise of equestrianism in recent years is undeniably a modern phenomenon that has captivated people from all walks of life. From its humble beginnings as a means of transportation and warfare, equestrianism has evolved into a beloved sport and recreational activity. This article has explored the various factors contributing to this phenomenon, such as the growing popularity of horse riding lessons, the influence of social media, and the therapeutic benefits of equestrian activities. As equestrianism continues to gain momentum, it is clear that this modern phenomenon will only continue to thrive and attract more enthusiasts. Whether it is the thrill of competition, the connection with nature, or the sense of freedom that comes with riding a horse, equestrianism offers something for everyone. So, saddle up and embrace the rise of equestrianism – a truly remarkable phenomenon of our time.



Brainstorming April 2023

These were the seedlings of our plan...

Why an arena in Yahk?

There are no Public covered arenas within driving distance. Cranbrook does NOT have a covered arena, I can't think of a Public Covered arena in the West Kootenays either.

Cultural, recreational, and fits in with our community's lifestyle.

So many horse owners in the area, and no where to keep horse and rider fit in bad weather/winter/rain etc.

So many people interested in horses.

The Yahk Hall, YKRS, has approached us to put on a demonstration in conjunction with one of their community events.

The East Kootenay Equestrian Association has joined forces with us to provide a Professional Saddle Mapping clinic.

We have a good relationship with many entities.

Yahk is the most central point between East and West Kootenays.

Equine sports are on the rise in popularity. With events like Working Equitation, Cowboy Challenge, Competitive Trail, Liberty as well as the tradition Gymkhanas, English and Western performance, events. This can be a safe, all weather facility for families to learn about horses, as well as do fun events that will bring the community and families together.

Other uses

Dog training, agility, Sheep dog training. Cattle penning, 4H fairs, clinics, common meeting ground for farrier, vet, body workers etc. Farmers market? Under the roof?

Things we need

Land Flat. Minimum acreage? 2acre+ must accommodate truck and trailers.

Outdoor arena (to be Covered once funding in place, may take a while) Start with an outdoor arena 100X200+. This will be the base for a covered "situation". Outdoor arena needs good footing that will accommodate various disciplines. Sand is the preferred material by local equestrians. Hog fuel may limit usage as it's not suitable for many local disciplines.

Lighting perhaps done with Solar panels and a generator if utilities are unavailable

Fencing/Holding corrals? Portable corral panels. To be covered (roof)later. These corrals would hold participating animals safely over the course of an event.

Arena maintenance equipment: Tractor and arena drag

Generate Income

We expect this facility to generate an income that will be reinvested in upkeep and progress. It will be worked to take care of itself. Arena will be available for rental Suggested: Average WEEKEND rental should be \$500 - \$1000 depending on what we have to offer. Also depends on the event with discounts to small clubs? Concessions, Events like Gymkhana, Clinics, etc.

Advertising:

Charge \$500/year to hang a poster in arena.

Sell Merchandise featuring our logo.

We have a website: [Home | Yahk Allied Horse Club \(yahkhorseclub.ca\)](http://yahkhorseclub.ca)

We also have a Facebook page and a Facebook group

Calendar of Events

March 26th : Tack Cleaning fundraiser

April 13th : Tack in Yahk Sale

May 4th: May the Horse be with You

June 8-9th : Equifusion/Barrel Clinic

July 20th : BBQ & Silent Auction

August 17th: Trail Ride

September 14th: Year end trail ride with lunch

October 6th: Obstacle day and trail ride at Lynne Larsens

Organization **SQx Danza**

Registration # 813604683RR0001

983 Kelly Drive, Castlegar BC V1N 4P5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Tidal Wave - Year 2**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, City of Nelson, Town of Creston, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, City of Castlegar, Village of Salmo, Village of Si

AUDIENCE: We need to better our service for teenagers in schools. As youth get older, they feel less comfortable dancing in front of their peers. Therefore, while Tidal Wave is envisioned for all youth (it has better considerations for teenagers) with less movement for participants, but not less engagement to better meet the needs of older youth-because we using TikTok.

Schools in the areas above

Schools in the areas above

Blewett

JVH

Mount Sentinel

Brent Kennedy

Yaqaan Nukiy

LVR

Wildflower-Creston

Wildflower

South Nelson

Redfish

Rosemont

Salmo

Hume

Trafalger

Canyon-Lister

Erickson

ARES

Crawford Bay

Nakusp

Lucerne

Twin Rivers

Kinnaird

WE Graham

Importance to the community:

WE'RE WORKING WITH A NEW PARTNER IN SLOCAN TO HELP US BETTER SUPPORT COMMUNITY NEEDS: W.E. Graham Community Service Society is helping us

INCLUSION: By connecting social inclusion with a new urgent wider world framework (ecology, environmental sustainability, and climate change), we're maintaining the relevancy of our work, but also reaching our audiences through a new lens. A new exciting Arts Based Community Development strategy and performance will help us better reach teenagers!

Project: Tidal Wave - Year 2

BALANCING THEME WITH CARBON COSTS OF TOURING: As the pandemic subsides, we're challenged with how to balance our environmental sustainability accomplishments while also being sensitive to artists' mental health. We'll balancing both physical & digital formats for Tidal Wave, where environmental sustainability is part of both the theme and the action-plan for presentation.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/3/2024 Project End: 4/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$3,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$3,000.00				
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	\$2,000.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
\$2,000.00	\$2,350.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$47,850.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$47,850.00	\$165,292.00	\$165,292.00

1. The project will provide:

TIDAL WAVE: Is a new dance program aiming to raise awareness about the oscillation between environmental sustainability and climate change with social inclusion.

HYPRID: The program will investigate balancing physical & digital presentations to maintain our environmental sustainability accomplishments established during COVID-but not compromising engagement in vulnerable youth.

From 2020-2022, we:

- Reduced our carbon footprint by 407,018kg
- Saved 475kg of disposable personal protective equipment through the digital presentation of our work
- Reduced our workplace related CO2 by 338,000kg by working remotely
- Reduced our GHG emissions by 442K by wearing uniforms and costumes made of sustainable and organic materials

Project: Tidal Wave - Year 2

NEW CHALLENGE: As the pandemic subsides, we're challenged with how to continue to balance our environmental sustainability accomplishments as we incorporate more physical work. In "Tidal Wave," environmental sustainability is part of both the theme and the action-plan for presentation.

Tidal Wave's new format and theme, will help us develop sustainable growth in our organization for a post-pandemic era. Whilst participants are meaningfully impacted by:

- Cool digital tools and a professional performance to engage with art and culture and ecology
- Thought-provoking discussions and engagement exercises to reflect on environmental sustainability and advocacy
- Opportunity to explore the uneven distribution of the climate change burden and how it correlates to social inclusion

2. Organization Mandate:

Mission: To use contemporary dance to promote kinship, collaboration, and teamwork.

Mandate:

Mandate & About:

- We further the development of dance and public engagement through performance and outreach programming.
- We provide flexible touring series for arts venues, public schools, and conservatories to bring performances and interactive programming to both large & small communities.
- We use dance to make the world a better place

DEFINING VULNERABLE: We engage with people who have been systemically underserved in Canada's history as well as those that currently experience hegemonic inequities (physical, economic, or social). In using the term "vulnerable," we are not blaming or disempowering vulnerable populations. Instead, we recognize the systemic barriers that prevent people from fully participating in society. We also note that a person's proximity to hegemonic characteristics (e.g. white, urban, cis, heterosexual, wealthy, able-bodied, and thin) affects the degree of their vulnerability.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

WE'RE WORKING WITH A NEW PARTNER IN SLOCAN TO HELP US BETTER SUPPORT COMMUNITY NEEDS: W.E.

Graham Community Service Society is helping us

INCLUSION: By connecting social inclusion with a new urgent wider world framework (ecology, environmental sustainability, and climate change), we're maintaining the relevancy of our work, but also reaching our audiences through a new lens. A new exciting Arts Based Community Development strategy and performance will help us better reach teenagers!

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4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

We thought deeply on what we want to explore next &...

- What urgent themes haven't we addressed yet?
- What gaps are there in our service? -How can we better our service to vulnerable Basin communities through dance?
- How do we deepen our commitment to inclusion?
- How can we make process-based learning simpler?

Based on the answers to the above, we devised a framework for Tidal Wave

Project: Tidal Wave - Year 2

Youth Presenters will work with other SQx presenters to DESIGN, DELIVER, & EVALUATE TIDAL WAVE

CONTEXT:

-Develop a 3-day arts-based community development process to engage vulnerable youth with:

1. Dance performance by professional dancers
2. TikTok video development with participants
3. Discussions

-Investigate different ecological frameworks like 1) How do climate related disasters more adversely affect vulnerable populations? Consequently, how do climate related disasters support or oppose inclusion? OR 2) How does water access affect inclusion?

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

At SQx, our vision is that all humans have a responsibility to protect the earth. Therefore exploring the environment is a "natural" progression for us, and it's part of our social and community responsibility to use dance and our services to reflect on wider world issues affecting communities.

COVID MADE US STRONGER: We adopted a digital presentation style very quickly for projects like AIP, which helped us be more environmentally sustainable (see attached). Now environmental sustainability impacts all our decision-making. COVID helped us to positively reevaluate our dissemination strategies.

AIP ACHIEVEMENTS

- 100% of educators felt AIP increased their students' understanding of equity, discrimination, & racism
- 92% of participants reported they could demonstrate inclusion
- 80% of educators felt AIP increased their students ability to ask for help & seek justice from adults & their peers
- 82% of participants had a positive experience in being physically active through dance

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

YOUTH DESIGN, PRESENT, & EVALUATE IMPACT.

***HIRING PREFERENCES: We have hiring preferences because it's critical to the identity of our organization, and it is how we work towards continuously improving SQx and our programming and performances to ensure our work considers the experiences of diverse audiences and participants. Our goal by ensuring diverse presenters are at the forefront of creation is to give voice and visibility to vulnerable populations. Each artist brings special knowledge and experiences that influence the social inclusivity outcome of our works.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:****12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:**

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



W.E. Graham Community Service Society
Chantal Smith Executive Director

Wednesday 17 May, 2023

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Email: coordinator@wegcss.org

PO Box 10,
1001 Harold St.
Slocan, BC
V0G 2C0

RE: SQx & WEGCSS Tidal Wave Partnership

On behalf of W.E. Graham Community Service Society (WEGCSS) we agree to partner with SQx in the development of their new program arts-based Community Development program, Tidal Wave.

Tidal Wave is a new dance performance program aiming to raise awareness about the oscillation between environmental sustainability and climate change with social inclusion.

We want to partner with SQx on this project because Tidal Wave uses creative workshops, performances, learning, teaching, and training to help alleviate rural isolation and lack of social and recreational services for Slocan Valley youth through an environmental & cultural lens.

In partnership SQx & Latséeni Daakahidi (House of Wellness and Strength) - Taku River Tlingit First Nation, and SD67 Okanagan - Skaha, WEGCSS roles and responsibilities include providing:

- On-site monitoring in the Slocan Valley during piloting
- Educator and student survey feedback
- Impact measurement feedback
- Discussion topic feedback
- Thematic feedback

Like WEGCSS, SQx is an established Slocan Valley service provider. SQx has been providing blended social-cultural programming in the Kootenays for more than decade. Therefore, as a like-minded organization we are eager to formalize a relationship between us through Tidal Wave.

Please note, however, that WEGCSS is providing services and support for Tidal Wave, but not financial support. We are a partner; not a funder. WEGCSS is not financially liable for any components of the project.

Please do not hesitate to contact me, should you require further confirmation of our support.

Chantal Smith
Executive Director
W.E. Graham Community Service Society



Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

At SQx, we pride ourselves on our ability to advance 9 of the 17 United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's) for peace & prosperity for people & the planet.

2 ZERO HUNGER 	3 GOOD HEALTH & WELL-BEING 	4 QUALITY EDUCATION
5 GENDER EQUALITY 	8 DECENT WORK & ECONOMIC GROWTH 	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
13 CLIMATE ACTIONS 	16 PEACE, JUSTICE, & STRONG INSTITUTIONS 	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



2 ZERO HUNGER

SQx aims to increase food security & improve nutrition in remote areas in Canada. When touring to remote communities with high food insecurity, we bring fresh produce to make healthy smoothies & snacks for students & staff.

3 GOOD HEALTH & WELL-BEING

SQx promotes physical activity & boosts the health & well-being of vulnerable youth by increasing access to Arts, Culture, & Sport.

In June 2023, we tracked 1,011,160 minutes of physical activity in vulnerable communities in Remote & Northern Canada.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

SQx provides equal access to free, inclusive, & socially-responsible programming that aims to foster positive youth development & civic engagement.

From 2020-2023, we presented our Active Inclusion Program (AIP) to 31,015 youth. 218/218 educators said AIP increased their students' understanding of equity, discrimination, & racism.

5 GENDER EQUALITY

100% of SQx's Leadership Team are women. We empower women & gender diverse people to ensure full & effective participation & equal opportunities for all.

Our works (i.e. Cecilia, Anti-Bullying Movement Program, Active Inclusion Program), aim to disrupt all forms of discrimination against women & girls across the globe.

8 DECENT WORK & ECONOMIC GROWTH

SQx provides long-term, inclusive, & sustainable employment for vulnerable artists.

By digitizing & diversifying our work, SQx has doubled our artist numbers & contract lengths, meaning we created more jobs for diverse artists. In addition, artists (excluding management), working with SQx across 2 seasons (2022-2023) received an average wage increase of 20%.

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

SQx promotes the social inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion, or economic or other status.

We ensure that diverse artists are at the forefront of creation & development to give voice & visibility to vulnerable populations. Each artist brings special knowledge & experiences to increase the social inclusivity outcomes of our works.

13 CLIMATE ACTIONS

Climate actions are at the heart of SQx. We're committed to ending the climate crisis through the development of hybrid program & performance architectures, responsible consumption & production patterns, & the creation of works that raise awareness about climate change & its impacts.

From November 2020 - June 2023, we reduced our carbon footprint by 479,557 kg.

16 PEACE, JUSTICE, & STRONG INSTITUTIONS

SQx fosters peaceful & inclusive communities through socially-responsible performance & performance programming, & aims to provide justice for all.

232/237 educators said our Active Inclusion Program increased their students' knowledge & ability to show citizenship, selfless gestures, & kindness to encourage belonging within Canada.

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

We have strong global partnerships for the sustainable development & growth of SQx. Partnering with CIRCE - Experimental Platform for Dance & Theatre in Tbilisi, Georgia for our "Cecilia" double-bill amplified arts engagement in vulnerable populations, fostering international social change. Additionally, collaborating with Taku River Tlingit First Nation for our "Tidal Wave" project ensures it's culturally safe, respects Indigenous voices, & honours their perspectives.

Organizational Highlights



Our mission is to use contemporary dance to promote kinship, collaboration, and teamwork. We further the development of dance and public engagement through performance and outreach programming. We provide flexible touring series for arts venues, public schools, and conservatories to bring performances and interactive programming to both large and small communities. We use dance to make the world a better place.

Fiscal Responsibility

SQx has 9 years of audited financial statements to ensure we maintain the highest standard of trust with those most affected by our organization's actions (formally known as stakeholders). Additionally, only 5.5% of our annual revenues goes to office and administration. We use dance to make the world a better place, and revenues are genuinely felt in vulnerable communities (rather than an office).

Fair Wages & Sustainable Employment

SQx employees are paid in accordance with the fee and rate standards set by Canadian Alliance of Dance Artists (CADA) Professional Standards. In fact, artists (excluding management) working with SQx across 2 seasons (from 2022-2023) received an average wage increase of 20%.

100% of SQx artists believe that their job with SQx is sustainable. We continue to sustainably improve the well-being of emerging and professional artists across Canada through stable, long-term, and full-time employment.

Positive & Healthy Work Culture

We believe in a culture of respect, inclusion, collaboration, and trust. We prioritize the health and well-being of our employees by leading regular check-ins, and facilitating open communication and collaboration.

100% of SQx artists believe that SQx provides a safe work environment that supports artists mental health. We provide various employee wellness programs, including monthly team lunches and weekly yoga classes to boost team morale and promote physical, emotional, and mental prosperity.

A Great Place to Work

100% of SQx artists feel their work at SQx is meaningful and creates transformative meaningful change both for employees and recipients of SQx's work.

100% of SQx artists feel SQx's response to COVID (including pandemic and post pandemic response) positively impacted their career and experience as an employee.

100% of SQx artists feel they have accomplished a career goal in the last 6 months.

100% of SQx artists believe SQx is dedicated to diversity and inclusiveness and they consistently make efforts to ensure everyone at work feels respected, supported, and included.

100% of SQx artists think SQx is successful at accommodating diverse work styles.

"I'm really proud to work for an organization that is seeking to make the world a better place. It's also evident that management cares about the well-being of their employees and are working hard to make positive changes for the health and well-being of us artists."

"SQx is an inclusive and caring environment. Everyone is here to lend a helping hand to fellow coworkers AND to any student teacher or school that needs it. You can see how much everyone at SQx is willing to put themselves on the line to support people in need."

"SQx strives to find connection between their work and the community (beyond that of the contemporary dance community). In my opinion, SQx creates meaningful change within the contemporary dance community and the broader community."

"What stands out to me about working with SQx is being able to work with women who are so well-rounded and truly intelligent. We're not only dancing, but we're all actively participating in important discussions and are quickly learning new skills to contribute to the organization in various ways. I work with people who are brave, resilient, and creative -- and that, is very inspiring and makes me incredibly happy!"



ACTIVE INCLUSION PROGRAM (AIP)

AIP is an interactive performance program that uses dance to disrupt discrimination, intolerance, racism, and hate.

Participant Demographics

76%

Multi-Barriered

70%

Low-Income

50%

Minoritized Ethnicities

35%

Remote/Rural

21%

Indigenous

15%

Official Language Minority

14%

Newcomers

From September 2020 to June 2023, we presented AIP to

31,015 YOUTH



MISSION & IMPACT

AIP empowers youth to recognize Canada's diversity as a source of strength, and encourages youth to show citizenship, selfless gestures, and kindness to increase belonging within their communities for the full and meaningful participation of all. AIP also brings together Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth to share and learn about reconciliation and decolonization in Canada.

100% of educators (Grade 3 and above) feel AIP increased their students' understanding of equity, discrimination, and racism.

99% of educators feel AIP increased their students' knowledge and ability to work collaboratively and as a team.

97% of educators feel AIP inspired their students to become more physically active and express a positive attitude towards being physically active.

96% of educators feel AIP inspired their students to become positive role models and leaders within their community, family, and school.



"Loved how involved, engaging, and responsive the instructors were. Their abilities to make connections with the students are incredible!"
Arts Education Director, WP Bate, Saskatoon, SK

"Thank you so much for everything that you've done for our classroom and community. You had 100% participation the entire time and my students were so excited to dance with you every morning. This program is incredible. I'm a huge fan of your mission. Kukwstsétsemc!"
Educator, Sk'elep School of Excellence, Kamloops, BC

"A program that reaches the body, heart, and head, and has an impact."
Educator, École South Pointe School, Winnipeg, MB

"AIP was amazing! I enjoyed myself so much! [...] I made so many memories and connections about the history about Canada. [...] The only thing that I wish is that the AIP dance was longer."
Student, Osoyoos Elementary, Osoyoos, BC



Organization **Nelson Civic Theatre Society**

Registration # 811788702 RR 0001

719 Vernon Street, Suite 103, Nelson British Columbia V1L 4G3

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, RDCK Area K, City of Nelson, Town of Creston, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, City of Castlegar, Village of Salmo

The KSBI Regional Program Manager is based in Nelson (and the Film Commissioner is in Winlaw), but the reach of the program spans the region (as far as Elkford and Sparwood in the east, to Edgewood and Burton in the west, to the Rossland and Montrose in the south. and as far as Radium Hot Springs and Edgewater to the north). With online interactions on the Facebook group, at meetups, and in events and workshops available to KSBI workers from all across the region, the program connects the widespread rural communities of the Columbia Basin.

Importance to the community:

The KSBI is a critical component that correlates to the KRFC. The Regional Program Manager is responsible for building and stewarding the local and regional network of more than 550 KSBI workers, and bridging the local industry with commercial film projects that are beginning to materialize across the East and Central Kootenay through the work of the KRFC. This role and program is a critical component of the development that is happening to bring these projects to the region and have local people and businesses benefit from them. Without it, we risk losing access to many future work opportunities on film projects.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/31/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
\$500.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,500.00	\$500.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
\$500.00	\$500.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$20,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$20,000.00	\$26,700.00	\$26,700.00

1. The project will provide:

This project will support the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry (KSBI) Program for the 2024-25 year, supporting the key roles of Screen-Based Industry Program Manager and Events and Communications Coordinator and the costs associated with hosting meetups of Screen-Based Industry Workers in Columbia Basin communities within the RDCK. The Program Manager is also growing into an integral part of the regional management of the Kootenay Regional Film Commission.

The ReDi Program (and as CIP) has supported the KSBI program in a number of ways in the past, including start-up consulting to begin this economic stimulation program, the development of kootenayfilm.com, and support for the Kootenay Regional Film Commission (KRFC).

KSBI programming is free of charge, age-inclusive, and open to the public. It has no earned income streams. Since its inception, this program has needed minimal support because a BC Rural Dividend grant supported it. Our expectation has long been that NCTS would be able to support this role through earned income from three theatres once our renovation was complete. As this renovation has been delayed, that funding stream is not yet available to us, so we will need funding to continue this important regional economic development program in the coming year. Once the renovation is complete, the plan is for NCTS to be able to support this program on earned revenues.

2. Organization Mandate:

Organization Mandate As a registered Canadian charity, Nelson Civic Theatre Society's (NCTS) mandate is to provide a public amenity by operating and maintaining a theatre as a multi-use facility for film screenings and for other artistic, educational and community-building programs and events for the benefit of the general public; be a home and presenter of lectures, workshops, courses and seminars on topics related to film or utilizing digital media for a diverse range of audiences; and protect, preserve and improve Nelson's historic Civic Theatre.

We fulfill our mission through:

Programming a wide range of cinematic presentations that respond to community interests.

Protecting, preserving and improving The Civic Theatre as a venue for cinematic and live cultural experiences, and for other educational and community-building programs and events.

Supporting local film, digital media and their creators, and encouraging the study and appreciation of film as an art and as a medium for information and education.

Working with community partners and local screen-based media artists toward building an information and communications technology hub that provides our rural community the means of engaging with and participating in a global community.

Engaging with other organizations, institutions and individuals to create synergy and grow community capacity.

Continuing to invest in the future of our community and, in particular, its youth.

Our Values

Our programming reflects our community's diversity and culture.

We provide a fulfilling and respectful working environment for our staff and volunteers.

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Community input, dialogue and volunteerism are essential to our operation.

We strive to be innovative and entrepreneurial, a catalyst to local thought leaders as they contribute positively to the digital world.

We foster a spirit of collaboration and endeavour to complement the goals and programs of other community groups and organizations.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The KSBI is a critical component that correlates to the KRFC. The Regional Program Manager is responsible for building and stewarding the local and regional network of more than 550 KSBI workers, and bridging the local industry with commercial film projects that are beginning to materialize across the East and Central Kootenay through the work of the KRFC. This role and program is a critical component of the development that is happening to bring these projects to the region and have local people and businesses benefit from them. Without it, we risk losing access to many future work opportunities on film projects.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The KSBI program addresses the economic and networking barriers that workers face living in a rural community. The program began in 2016 as a response to feedback from industry workers that cultural infrastructure and opportunities for professional development were lacking in our region. Since its inception, the program's goals have been identified through ongoing regular engagement with members through meetups, panel discussions and surveys. Goals are reviewed and renewed on an ongoing basis to ensure responsiveness to local needs and economic realities. This project will support continued support and outreach for workers through management of an active Facebook group (currently 554 members), professional development opportunities (mentorships and workshops), and significant support to the economic goals of the KRFC.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Since 2017, NCTS has been committed to developing the KSBI and we have built a strong network. Our very active KSBI Facebook group connects more than 550 people, updating members on industry activities, including monthly meetups. The role we have played in developing and securing the KRFC is substantial. We want to continue building momentum for Kootenay-based film projects, including major ones with significant economic impacts. Results of this program have included festival events for youth, emerging and established Kootenay filmmakers, a wide array of professional development events and workshops, mentorships of women in film, strategic project leadership resulting in the development of the film gear rental program, kootenayfilm.com and the Kootenay Regional Film Commission, the majority of which has had a reach spanning the entire region. We look forward to KSBI programs supporting the STOODIS Indigenous Film festival this year. We are the right organization to continue this work.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

NCTS is the home of the KSBI and co-founder of the KRFC, in partnership with the Kootenay Rockies Tourism Association in Kimberley, BC. The KSBI Regional Program Manager will lead this project, working closely with the Events and Communications Coordinator and the Regional Film Commission. Depending on meetups, events, workshops, and mentorship plans, a number of other SBI professionals may be contracted to play paid and volunteer roles in executing programs.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

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Some meetups will be hosted in kind by local/regional businesses. NCTS offers considerable overhead to this project in the form of office space, supplies, printing, and bookkeeping, as well as hosting screening events.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Words of Support for the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry (KSBI)

I've been an independent filmmaker for the past 8 years and there have certainly been challenges and barriers I have experienced along the way being a woman. It seems like most film crews are dominated by males and not always open to have women join their team. In some situations, my safety and well-being was threatened and I certainly hoped I could have learned from other female mentors. After talking to some of my peers, I have realized it is a common experience for women in the industry. Having worked in the adventure and sport filmmaking industry, it is heavily male-dominated. I've witnessed that men tend to hire other men, and favour men on-set. Some of my most valuable experiences as a filmmaker have been working with other inspirational female creatives. Women understand each other and uplift each other.

I am impressed by all that The Civic Theatre is doing to keep film alive and support artists...I think they are doing amazing work and wholeheartedly support their creative vision to continue supporting local screen-based industry workers and artists, especially those that are women. This was a valuable mentorship experience for me and it is so clear that mentorship is such an impactful learning experience, helping those emerging learn from the more experienced. The need for these learning experiences and opportunities to connect with other females in the field are more prominent than ever.

It is great to see such a local initiative take strides to provide these types of learning opportunities, especially for underrepresented females in the industry.

~ Agathe Bernard, www.agathebernardphotography.com, www.carvinglandscapes.ca, www.agathebernard.com

Kootenay Rockies Tourism...is in full support of economic development opportunities in our region, and recognize that The Civic Theatre's goal to cultivate a strong screen-based industry closely aligns with our existing work in Destination Development, Media Relations and marketing the region on behalf of our stakeholders.

NCTS has already demonstrated outstanding drive, purpose, commitment and cultural leadership in our region with this project...We have continued conversations and see real opportunities for the emergence of a strong film region in interior BC with continued support. Their vision to develop this sector further is innovative and holds very promising potential to benefit the quality of all residents throughout the Kootenay region. We believe this project has a strong potential to become an economic asset to our region through increasing creative collaboration between the media arts and tourism sectors. Please consider this proposal as it is an exciting stepping stone to great opportunities for the film and tourism economy to flourish.

~Kathy Cooper, CEO, Kootenay Rockies Tourism

Our 2016 Nelson Innovation Centre Feasibility Study recommended that the NIC explore a strategic alliance with The Civic Theatre because of the work that they were already undertaking

to identify and support the local screen-based industry (SBI)...We believe that the KSBI program supports local business interests and that it will be a great economic benefit to the community through their work in conducting industry research and development. This work is pertinent at a time where the potential for economic development in our region is ripe and the more we can support initiatives like this, the more benefit our community gains, culturally and economically.

~Andrea Wilkey, Executive Director, Community Futures Central Kootenay

NCTS has given digital artists and filmmakers like me huge incentives and resources to continue growing here, in the Kootenays. They have given me and my peers opportunities to share information and connect with people in our work-spheres. As an independent filmmaker in Nelson, it has been a game-changer to meet people who are experts in their field, as well as motivated creatives who want to collaborate and support each other. There is a healthy brew of talented independent filmmakers working in the region, and we would benefit, and greatly appreciate, mentorship from these experienced professionals.

~Jonathan Robinson, Director, FMRL Productions

Having worked as a freelance filmmaker for the past few years in this community has shown me the importance of mentorship in any occupation...Having access to education and information taught by experts in their field is an invaluable resource. The workshops and mentorship opportunities that The Civic would provide would be amazingly useful to any aspiring filmmakers in the area, and also provide an opportunity for professionals to connect with future colleagues.

The KSBI meetups have played a large part in connecting the filmmaking community in the Kootenay Columbia region. I'm hopeful that the expansion of this program will help ignite the fire of the filmmaking community that exists in this area. There's so much local talent here, and with the help of KSBI we can bring that together to create something truly special.

~Tucker Anderson, Freelance Filmmaker, Tucker K Anderson Films

I am writing to express my support for the Civic Theatre's proposal for their Kootenay Screen-Based Industry Momentum Masterclass Workshop Series. In their last series, I enrolled in a Masterclass on lighting and sound, taught by an industry professional with many years of experience. Besides learning technical skills I made some really great connections which led directly to me finding work.

Living in a rural area has huge challenges for anyone wanting to work in the screen based industry, one of them being a lack of resources to further careers. Another Masterclass series here would be a great benefit to the filmmaking community and would help me grow my skills and make more connections in the industry.

~Carlo Alcos



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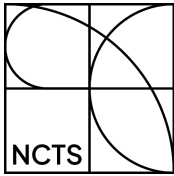
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Nelson Civic Theatre Society

719 Vernon Street

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February 20, 2024

Dear Mayor and Council,

On behalf of the Nelson Civic Theatre Society (NCTS), I am pleased to submit our request to The City of Nelson in support of our **economic project *Supporting the Kootenay Screen-Based Industry (KSBI)***. This project is based in Nelson but has regional impact, so we are also making requests to the other communities in our area.

This funding will be used to support the continuation of the KSBI program this year. When we begin this program through support from the BC Rural Dividend Fund, we expected fully that the conversion of The Civic Theatre into a three-screen venue would have been completed within 2-3 years, and that the income derived from that new model would support this role. As the renovation project has continued to be delayed, we are not yet in a position to support the staffing needs of this program through earned income, as planned. Accordingly, this funding request is critical to the continuation of the KSBI program, which, in addition to stewarding many initiatives for KSBI workers in our region, is now a key driver and complementary feature to the Kootenay Regional Film Commission, a joint program of NCTS and Kootenay Rockies Tourism Association. Without the KSBI Regional Program Manager specifically, it would be very challenging for NCTS to continue this exciting and growing economic initiative.

This project supports Nelson's Path to 2040 through the following focus areas:

Arts, Culture and Heritage

ACH1: Promote artistic and cultural expression and celebration in the community to help support a vibrant centre and identity.

ACH2: Preserve and celebrate the authenticity and heritage of our community.

ACH3: Engage the creative energy of the community in strengthening a cultural vision for Nelson.

ACH4: Integrate the Arts, Culture and Heritage sector with others to enrich and build a stronger community.

Outcome: The KSBI Regional Program Manager and Events and Communications Coordinator cultivate relationships with screen-based industry (SBI) workers and companies in our region, managing our social media content and outreach, organizing and facilitating meetups, and continuing to gather feedback from the community on how to better serve SBI interests in the

region, leading to more locally-generated film, video and divergent media projects, and better exchange between people, companies, and communities.

Energy and Climate Change

ECC2: Promote and support activities and infrastructure, such as buildings and transportation, which reduce energy consumption, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and are carbon-neutral.

Outcome: The KSBI supports local sharing of gear, venues, and services, reducing the need to source and bring these items from outside of the region or travel elsewhere to complete projects. Our nascent gear rental program will improve this effect further, by making technical equipment available to local filmmakers. As a result, transportation and travel costs to complete projects can be substantially reduced. Networking through the KSBI Facebook group and in-person meetups facilitates new professional connections, increasing the opportunities to collaborate with or employ people who are in our area on aspects of projects that would otherwise need to be sourced elsewhere.

Healthy Living and Social Wellbeing

HLSW2: Foster an inclusive & respectful community where all citizens have opportunities for meaningful participation in social, cultural, economic and environmental aspects of the City.

HLSW4: Maximize opportunities for intergenerational connections, in particular as they support family development.

HLSW5: Sustain an attitude of openness and a culture of learning that adapts positively to change.

HLSW6: Support economic development activities that incorporate social justice considerations such as: affordable and acceptable childcare, housing and transportation; living wages; sufficient employment; and workplaces free of discrimination and harassment.

Outcome: There is substantial activity on our Facebook group and at our meetups, both of which are open to the public. Valuable and supportive exchanges between emerging and established SBI workers cultivate intergenerational learning and cross-pollination, resulting in more local projects engaging more local people in a variety of capacities. There is already ample evidence of this through many local projects forged out of new collaborations.

Local Economy

LE1: Proactively attract, retain, expand and foster businesses and investment in Nelson.

LE2: Foster and support entrepreneurial leadership in the community.

LE3: Maintain and further develop our diverse economy by identifying and supporting key sectors.

LE4: Focus economic development and stimulus where it contributes to community values, including a vibrant downtown and waterfront and meaningful employment opportunities that support healthy lifestyles.

Outcome: The KSBI Program is contributing substantially to the development of the local film sector - this can be seen by the exchanges on the Facebook group, the number of new members that join on a steady basis, the many collaborations between film professionals and other artists, and the engagement at meetups and within workshops, masterclasses, and mentorship programs. Our hand in supporting the Kootenay Regional Film Commission cannot be understated - the entire purpose of the commission is centred around bringing film projects to our region to make significant economic impacts. It is already beginning to see outcomes, with the first major commercial feature completed in 2022 in Fernie, and many inquiries and considerations for films in communities across the region underway on an ongoing basis.

Our project also aligns with CBT's strategic priorities in Arts, Culture and Heritage, Community Priorities, Economic Development and Non-Profit Support.

Thank you so much for your thoughtful consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eleanor Stacey', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Eleanor Stacey
Executive Director

Organization **Kootenay Employment Services Society**

Registration # S0038137/867238487BC0001

119 11th Ave N, Creston British Columbia V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Community Quest**

Project will be located in: Town of Creston

The event's interactive nature necessitates varied locations determined by specific challenges. Primarily, activities will be centered within the High School/Kootenay Employment Services (KES) facilities and downtown Creston, ensuring accessible integration of educational institutions, (CoTR) community resources, and engagement with local employers and service providers.

Importance to the community:

The "Community Quest" project holds paramount significance for the community as it addresses crucial issues affecting its youth. By providing an innovative, hands-on experience, the initiative bridges the gap between young individuals and local resources, fostering awareness and understanding. The event cultivates a sense of community among youth and promotes collaboration with educational institutions, service providers, and employers. This not only enhances participants' knowledge of available opportunities but also nurtures essential skills like problem-solving and teamwork. Moreover, the project promotes engagement between the youth and community leaders, employers, and service providers, creating networking opportunities that can catalyze future collaborations and initiatives. Ultimately, "Community Quest" serves as a fun yet educational event for community development, empowering the next generation with the knowledge, skills, and connections necessary for a prosperous and cohesive local environment.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 9/30/2024 Project End: 9/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,352.03	\$1,352.03	\$1,352.03		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,352.03		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$5,408.12

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$5,408.12	\$5,408.12	\$5,408.12

1. The project will provide:

"Community Quest" is a one-day educational event, designed to empower and educate youth by connecting them with valuable local resources through an innovative and engaging format inspired by the Amazing Race. Participants will form teams and embark on a journey across the community to explore educational institutions, community centers, health and wellness services, and employment opportunities.

Highlights of the event include Amazing Race-style challenges at each location, testing problem-solving skills, teamwork, and knowledge of community resources. Teams will navigate through the community by solving clues, adding an element of strategy and fun to the experience. Local employers and service providers will directly engage with participants at certain challenge locations, bridging the gap between youth and community resources. Exciting prizes will be awarded to teams, fostering recognition for teamwork, creativity, and overall achievement.

Additionally, a complimentary lunch will provide participants with the opportunity to network with community leaders, employers, and service providers, encouraging further discussions about available opportunities and resources. "Community Quest" aims to build a sense of community among youth while raising awareness about the diverse resources available, ultimately providing participants with a better understanding of the opportunities within their reach.

2. Organization Mandate:

The organization is a registered charity and deeply committed to regional economic health and vitality. We work with many organizations in our communities to address both emerging and longstanding issues affecting the local labour market. Together we help make the Kootenays a unique and positive place to live and work in. At our core, KES is an organization about people and community. We work with job seekers, employers, the provincial school district, community partners and funders to cultivate genuine and collaborative relationships that support our belief that everyone has the right to meaningful employment.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

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4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The identification of issues and opportunities involved a comprehensive approach, including direct consultations with key stakeholders such as the school district, local employers, and community service support agencies. Regular meetings with support agencies, close collaboration with the High School, and ongoing interactions with youth attending Kootenay Employment Services programs provided valuable insights into community needs. This

Project: Community Quest

consultative process also extended to daily collaboration with town employers. Through these engagements, a profound understanding of limited youth awareness, the gap between youth and community resources, and the need for enhanced networking emerged. This initiative, strategically addresses these issues with an innovative format, fostering exploration, interaction, and networking among participants and diverse community resources, ensuring a targeted and impactful response to identified challenges.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organization, Kootenay Employment Services (KES), is uniquely positioned to excel in the delivery of the "Community Quest" project due to our extensive experience and close collaboration with key stakeholders amongst other things. With a proven track record of implementing successful community-focused initiatives, KES possesses a deep understanding of local needs and challenges, particularly in youth education and employment. Our established relationships with educational institutions, service providers, and employers enhance our ability to seamlessly coordinate and integrate these vital components into the project. A recent example of this for reference would be the PARTY program which has been successfully delivered in Creston, educating youth in our community with regards to healthy habits and behavior and the dangers of making uninformed decisions. The same process and engagement would be used for this new project.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

The project's successful implementation will be led by a skilled Project Manager from Kootenay Employment Services (KES). Working in tandem with educational institutions, service providers, and employers, the Project Manager from KES will play a pivotal role in orchestrating a seamless and impactful execution of the "Community Quest" initiative, ensuring the coordinated involvement of all stakeholders for optimal outcomes.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

KES will provide an in-kind administration staffing contribution to the value of \$439.77 and the use of our building for the day of the event. Also, KES will provide an in-kind contribution towards marketing costs for this event to a total of approximately, \$400.00.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



Service Provider- Partnership Form

The responsibilities listed below indicate intent, not legal obligation, and are agreed upon in the spirit of effective collaboration.

Support Partner: S/Sgt. Brandon Bulziuk et al

Organization: Royal Canadian Mounted Police – Creston Detachment

Contact information: brandon.bulziuk@rcmp-grc.gc.ca Date: 2024-02-13

With respect to Kootenay Employment Services' *Community Quest* proposal, I would like to offer my support by agreeing to commit to the following in-kind contribution.

Challenge Participation: As a Service Provider, you can create or sponsor challenges related to your service, offering hands-on experiences and insights into the services and supports you offer within the community.

Informational Booths: Set up a booth to provide information about job opportunities and career paths within your organization, offering a direct and informative resource for interested participants.

Networking Sessions: Personally engage with participants during designated networking sessions, offering advice, answering questions, and sharing your experiences to provide guidance and encouragement.

Job Opportunity Announcements: Utilize the event as a platform to announce job openings or internship opportunities within your organization, creating awareness and potential opportunities for the participants.



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Promotional Materials: Distribute brochures, flyers, or promotional materials about your company and the services you offer, ensuring participants have tangible information to take away.

Prize Sponsorship: Contribute to the event's success by sponsoring prizes, recognizing participants' achievements, and encouraging excellence in various categories to motivate and inspire the youth.

I understand that this letter-of-support does not constitute a contractual agreement, but rather offers my support to the proposal and indicates my genuine interest in collaborating.

Support Partner Signature: S/Sgt. Brandon M.J. Buliziusk #53740



Service Provider- Partnership Form

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Support Partner: Walter Felitsyn - Director Clinical Operations, Creston

Organization: Interior Health

Contact information: Vladimir.Felitsyn@interiorhealth.ca Date: Feb. 19, 2024

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Support Partner Signature: _____

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Service Provider- Partnership Form

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Support Partner: __Valley Community Services Society

Organization: _ Valley Community Services Society

Contact information: __Justine Keirn__ Date: __February 20, 2024__

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Support Partner Signature: 



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Service Provider- Partnership Form

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Support Partner: Creston Valley Chamber of Commerce

Organization: _____

Contact information: Melanie Joy Date: Feb 16/24
president@creston-valleychamber.com

With respect to Kootenay Employment Services' *Community Quest* proposal, I would like to offer my support by agreeing to commit to the following in-kind contribution.

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Support Partner Signature: 

Organization **Northern BC Friends of Children - East Kootenay Branch**

Registration # 86641-8791-RT0001

16 12th Avenue North, Cranbrook BC V1C 3V7

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Creston & Area Family Support Project**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

The main office for this project is in Cranbrook and the Project takes place in the RDCK areas included in the EK Health District. The town of Creston, north to Crawford Bay/Riondel etc, east to Yahk/Kingsgate, south to the US border at Rykerts, and west to the Stagleap Summit.

Importance to the community:

Families with children in medical need often face significant financial and emotional burdens that force them to relocate to larger cities where treatment is more accessible. By making travel to these treatments attainable, families can live and work in smaller towns and rural areas, reassured that support is available. This benefits the families directly and helps the community maintain a stronger economy, workforce, and school system.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/17/2024 Project End: 6/30/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$750.00	\$750.00	\$500.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$3,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$5,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$5,000.00	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00

1. The project will provide:

The Creston & Area 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.

2. Organization Mandate:

Our mandate is to ensure that every child in our region has access to necessary medical care regardless of their proximity to it or their economic situation.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Families with children in medical need often face significant financial and emotional burdens that force them to relocate to larger cities where treatment is more accessible. By making travel to these treatments attainable, families can live and work in smaller towns and rural areas, reassured that support is available. This benefits the families directly and helps the community maintain a stronger economy, workforce, and school system.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Families are faced with significant emotional and financial burdens associated with taking a child to out-of-town appointments, treatments and surgeries. In some cases, parents have been forced to choose whether to transport a child to a medical appointment or purchase groceries. The need has been identified by the medical community, the families who contact us, and the resource centres and social workers who meet with affected parents daily.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Friends of Children was established in the East Kootenays in 2009 after running successfully in Northern BC since 1998. We have the staff, volunteers, partnerships, systems, and structures to complete the project effectively. We have relationships with and accept referrals from multiple family services in the Creston area. To date, we've served over 650 families and receive and approve, on average, 200 requests annually.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Sheila Hall Family Support Coordinator - Front line contact with families
Friends of Children Board of Directors
Friends of Children Disbursement Committee
Tracey McBride - General Manager and Finance Operations

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteer hours from board members and our disbursement committee contribute to our day to day operations and annual fundraisers and multiple other benefactors provide products and services to promote our fundraising. Partners provide connections to other agencies for free flights, food cards, accommodations and some specialty equipment for families.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

It was a cold day last January when we had hard news. Pregnant with our fourth child we had gone to Calgary to assess some abnormal results from an ultrasound. We got the worst news we could ask for, our baby could not survive on its own once born. Our son was diagnosed with congenital heart disease. He had Transposition of the Great Arteries. We needed to relocate to Edmonton to have the baby where help could support him immediately and prepare him for an open heart surgery to save his life. The stay was estimated for two months. Our heads were spinning as we drove home from Calgary just shells of the people who had driven up that morning. We were overwhelmed with the journey ahead of us. The last thing we wanted to be worrying about was how to keep our expenses paid for through it all. We wanted our family together to support each other through the hard time. We were told by some friends and family about Friends Of Children and that we should contact them because they help families like us out. We did, and once our son was born they took us on and helped fund our accommodations and fuel expenses so we wouldn't have to stress about one more thing than we needed to be focused on. Thanks to them our experience was less stressful. The Friends of Children continue to help our family with our frequent trips out of town to Calgary and Edmonton giving us financial support for the fuel and accommodations as necessary.

Thank you

The Dalke Family



Baby Westley had heart surgery at birth and continues to travel to follow-ups for monitoring and assessments with the assistance of Friends of Children.

I am a single mother living in Cranbrook, BC and this is my story.

I had an emergency birth with my second child in October of 2022 at BC women's hospital in Vancouver. My daughter was ten weeks premature and born with bilateral club feet. It was scary: I was alone and with a very small, vulnerable baby.

My relationship with Friends of Children began when Aubrie was transferred to Kelowna General Hospital November of 2022. I understood we had a long hospital journey ahead of us, and unfortunately, our window of time with alternate support was quickly closing. I was also getting increasingly worried about having the means to stay in close proximity to my daughter whom I visited every minute that I could.

Just about the time that I had exhausted my accommodations and temporary support, Jackalin from Cranbrook Infant Development Center reached out to me and put me in contact with Friends of Children to ask for help in my situation and circumstance. I was so grateful to Sheila Hall who put me at ease immediately. Sheila quickly went to work securing me more time at the hotel I had previously acquired. Sheila also provided me with groceries and fuel for my small car. This came at the right time for me and allowed me to focus on being present for my small baby who was still very much fighting for her life.

With the help and support of Friends of Children I was able to maintain accommodations close to the hospital, feed myself and my 2yr old son, and juggle as much time as I could at the NICU for another month and a half. This venture would have ultimately been a terribly heavy struggle if not for the support I received.

Aubrie was discharged from the KGH NICU in late December of 2022. We made it out in time to celebrate Christmas with my parents, who live a two hour drive from the Kelowna Hospital. Aubrie still had numerous weeks of treatment and serial casting for her club feet ahead of her. I decided to stay at my parents for this duration of time so we would be comfortable and close to the hospital while we made weekly trips for casting appointments. Friends of Children was there for me then, also. Support for groceries and fuel for the grueling winter drives to and from the hospital took the worry out of life so I could dedicate myself to Aubrie and her brother Boh.

Our winter of 22/23 went by with many trips around the Okanagan for casting appointments. Aubrie made progress. She received her orthotics in early February of 2023. This marked the end of two months of weekly serial casting! We were finally given the green light and we were GOING HOME!

At this point my children and I had been away from home for almost four and a half months! I can very honestly say that without the help of Friends of Children, circumstances would have been very dire indeed.

Friends of Children helped me through the toughest of trials, allowing me the time to be the mother my children needed. The organization has been by my side through all the appointments.

It had been over a year now of therapy for Aubrie's feet and support for Aubrie's journey is still on-going!

We now have an Orthopedic Surgeon in Calgary, Alberta, at the Alberta Children's Hospital. Aubrie continues to make progress, however it's slow. Aubrie has received three surgeries in this short, first year of her life. She has endured three, six-week, serial casting routines and we have made over 20 trips to Alberta Children's Hospital in a time frame of eight months. Friends of Children has graciously assisted me with this multitude of ventures to Calgary. We still have a long way to go and treatment with orthotics is expected until she is four years of age, however we are seeing a calm to the storm. Aubrie's appointments are spreading out over longer periods of time and the work she has received has paid off and we are seeing great results that will absolutely allow her a normal life, with normal feet!

At this point I would be in unimaginable debt, entirely way over my head if not for their help. When we need to stay overnight for an early morning appointment, or we need to rent a car to take us safely over the passes in winter conditions, even the fuel costs of these trips have been generously compensated by the help of Friends of Children.

At Christmas time of 2023, Friends of Children generously included our family in the Secret Santa program! I was lost for words when 7 boxes of gifts arrived for my children and I still don't quite know how to express my overwhelming gratitude for the gesture that it was. My children felt so special. It made Christmas have that magic we are always hoping for as parents. It completed Christmas. Thank you, Friends of Children, for the smiles on their tiny faces that morning.

Aubrie recently received walking orthotics to allow her to develop her walking skills in a timely fashion. My little Aub is the strongest person I know, and she doesn't even know her own grit, yet. Such a thirst for life. She is so excited to begin walking, climb on everything and just be free to move around. Speaking with motherhood prejudice, she is absolutely the happiest child that has ever lived! She lights up a room with her giggles and most of the day has a permanent grin that cannot be shadowed. Her big brother, Bohdi is her hero. The bond they have grown is my biggest joy! Bohdin has been beside her at every stage of this game. He's my hero, too!

As we continue this journey and keep moving in the path of restorative healing, I am confident that Aubrie will make full recovery. It is going to take us some time; time that I can now face confidently, day by day, regarding Aubrie's successful recovery. This is a very heart felt, peace-of-mind, gift that Friends of Children has given me. I will remain forever grateful of the kindness and financial support given to me and my children by the Friends of Children. Thank you.

Organization **Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship**

Registration # 782963706RR0001
851 Erickson Rd, Creston BC V0B 1G3

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Therapeutic Riding Program**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

The project will take place at the Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship Facility at 851 Erickson Rd, Creston, BC.

Importance to the community:

For anyone with a disability, therapeutic horseback riding is a way to discover a whole new world of adventure, freedom, responsibility, dignity and excitement and a way to improve balance, coordination and strengthen muscles. Most importantly, it provides an overwhelming sense of accomplishment for everyone involved. Participants continue to be referred from our local schools, local counselling services (Ktunaxa Child and Family Services, Valley Community Services), Community Living Organizations (Nexus Community Support Society, Axis Family Services), Physiotherapists and Physicians and Mental Health Services. Participants also self-refer. In 2023, 79 people directly benefited from the program. Participants are local to Creston, Erickson, Canyon, Lister, Wynndel, Kitchener and also come from as far away as Yahk, Crawford Bay, Gray Creek and Riondel.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 5/31/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$300.00	\$5,500.00	\$1,300.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$4,900.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$12,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$12,000.00	\$104,661.00	\$104,661.00

1. The project will provide:

Therapeutic riding is an equine-assisted activity for the purpose of contributing positively to the cognitive, physical, emotional and social well-being of individuals with special needs. Therapeutic riding provides benefits in the areas of health, education, sport and recreation & leisure.

Lessons are taught by Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association certified instructors or Instructor Candidates who are undergoing supervised training. Lessons are offered during an 8 week spring session, an 8 week summer session and an 8 week fall session. One on one lessons are offered as well as group lessons of up to four riders. The goal of the program is for the rider to be as independent as possible.

Riding instruction is offered in a safe and fun learning environment. As with many relationships we form with animals, its allows us to practice

our social skills that we need to build relationships in life. The foundation of these relationships are built on trust, empathy, negotiation, compromise, and working together. Confidence is developed and self-esteem levels are naturally enhanced, generating a greater sense of achievement.

Riding a horse activates all areas of the body in addition to requiring body awareness, balance, and coordination.

Whether our riders are physically able or not, this physical involvement can progress over time as the rider becomes more confident and the level of challenge increases.

2. Organization Mandate:

To promote the physical, mental, cognitive and social well-being of people with diverse abilities by offering mounted and unmounted equine assisted activities, which provide an opportunity for therapeutic benefit, education, sport and recreation.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

For anyone with a disability, therapeutic horseback riding is a way to discover a whole new world of adventure, freedom, responsibility, dignity and excitement and a way to improve balance, coordination and strengthen muscles. Most importantly, it provides an overwhelming sense of

accomplishment for everyone involved. Participants continue to be referred from our local schools, local counselling services (Ktunaxa Child and Family Services, Valley Community Services), Community Living Organizations (Nexus Community Support Society, Axis Family Services), Physiotherapists and Physicians and Mental Health Services.

Participants also self-refer. In 2023, 79 people directly benefited from the program.

Participants are local to Creston, Erickson, Canyon, Lister, Wynndel, Kitchener and also come from as far away as Yahk, Crawford Bay, Gray Creek and Riondel.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

As therapeutic riding is beneficial for such a wide variety of challenges that people face, whether it be physical, mental, social or emotional, the program provides an opportunity for a low cost therapeutic and recreational activity to a diverse section of the population.

The youngest rider in the program is five years old, we have seniors riding for therapy. Riders are at-risk youth, seniors, children and adults with

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Project: Therapeutic Riding Program

physical and/or developmental disabilities and children diagnosed with autism, ADHD, sensory processing disorder or learning disabilities. Anyone who needs to ride for therapeutic reasons may participate. Therapeutic Riding lessons provide an opportunity for fun, socialization and exercise.

There is definitely a need for this type of activity as our participants return year after year after year!

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship is the former CDCSL Therapeutic Riding Program, which successfully operated the Therapeutic Riding Program from 2005 through April 2022. The Therapeutic Riding Program has 9 horses and two Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association (CanTRA) certified instructors and many wonderful volunteers. The facility has been developed over the years and now includes two riding arenas, access to riding around the greater property and a forested trail to access the obstacle course field. The Creston Valley Society for Therapeutic Horsemanship has a long term vision for its continued success in serving people who need to ride horses for therapeutic benefit!

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Michelle Whiteaway, Program Director / Canadian Therapeutic Riding Association (CanTRA) Intermediate Instructor
Christine Ross, Head Instructor / CanTRA Coach / Equestrian Canada Competition Coach

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

- \$ 700 Donated Items that are sold for fundraising
- \$ 900 Horse Feed & Care
- \$ 1,600 Facility Expenses
- \$ 600 Staff & Volunteer Appreciation
- \$ 200 Rider Equipment
- \$8,500 - 850 Volunteer Hours @ \$10 per hour

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club**

Registration # S0058938

5811 Taghum Frontage Rd, Nelson British Columbia V1L 6X9

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Install new 4-Bay High-Gain VHF antenna at Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area D

Mount Lavina forestry lookout site, located south end of Duncan Lake. This is a mountain top site (at 7300 feet in elevation) that hosts the WKARC radio repeater.

Importance to the community:

This will ensure that there is 100% VHF radio coverage for the Kootenay Lake, Duncan Lake, and surrounding communities throughout the entire year. Amateur Radio operators in this area can then provide emergency radio services to all communities within range of the Mount Lavina repeater site.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 10/31/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,200.00			\$2,500.00	
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$3,700.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00	\$3,700.00

Project: Install new 4-Bay High-Gain VHF antenna at Mount Lavina Radio Repeater Site

1. The project will provide:

Replace the existing VHF antenna with a VHF antenna with about twice the RF gain, to provide better range for the users. This should provide user range from all of Kootenay Lake and Duncan lake.

2. Organization Mandate:

The purpose of the WKARC is to promote and assist in the use of amateur radio (Emergency) communications. WKARC has been serving the local Ham Radio community for over 50 years. Serving the Nelson, Castlegar, Slocan Valley, Kootenay Lake, and Duncan Lake areas. Our amateur radio club provides volunteer communications for events throughout the region. Club members are active in every facet of the hobby and they maintain several analog, digital, VHF & UHF mountain top repeaters. We are Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) Operators licensed by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (formerly Industry Canada).

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This will ensure that there is 100% VHF radio coverage for the Kootenay Lake, Duncan Lake, and surrounding communities throughout the entire year. Amateur Radio operators in this area can then provide emergency radio services to all communities within range of the Mount Lavina repeater site.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Better (longer range) operating range for the VHF repeater. NOTE: Being a Solar/Battery operated radio repeater, this radio has a low power output, and thus need the best antenna possible to get the longer usage range.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

WKARC has the technical expertise to perform this type of work. It is very specialized, and requires 4-wheel drive travel up severe mountain roads to access the Mount Lavina site.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Technical support personnel from the WKARC society members.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteer time and labour for preparation of radio equipment, installation, and maintenance

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **West Kootenay Amateur Radio Club**

Registration # S0058938

5811 Taghum Frontage Road, Nelson British Columbia V1L 6X9

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Crawford Bay Repeater: Replace a failed VHF Transmitter.**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Coop Radio Transmitter site. This is a mountain top site (at 3500 feet in elevation) that hosts many radio repeaters, and is located approximately above the Crawford Bay Ferry terminal.

Importance to the community:

This will ensure that there is 100% radio coverage for Kootenay Lake area (including Kaslo), and surrounding communities throughout the entire year. Amateur Radio operators in this area can then provide emergency radio services to all communities within range of the Crawford Bay repeater site.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/1/2024 Project End: 10/31/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$250.00				\$250.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$250.00				
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$750.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00

Project: Crawford Bay Repeater: Replace a failed VHF Transmitter.

1. The project will provide:

The project is to replace a failed VHF Transmitter module located at the Crawford Bay repeater site (COOP Radio site).

2. Organization Mandate:

The purpose of the WKARC is to promote and assist in the use of amateur radio (Emergency) communications. WKARC has been serving the local Ham Radio community for over 50 years. Serving the Nelson, Castlegar, Slocan Valley, Kootenay Lake, and Duncan Lake areas. Our amateur radio club provides volunteer communications for events throughout the region. Club members are active in every facet of the hobby and they maintain several analog, digital, VHF & UHF mountain top repeaters. We are Amateur Radio (Ham Radio) Operators licensed by Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (formerly Industry Canada).

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This will ensure that there is 100% radio coverage for Kootenay Lake area (including Kaslo), and surrounding communities throughout the entire year. Amateur Radio operators in this area can then provide emergency radio services to all communities within range of the Crawford Bay repeater site.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Replace VHF radio repeater transmitter module with known good module.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

WKARC has the technical expertise to perform this type of work. It is very specialized, and requires 4-wheel drive travel up severe mountain roads to access the repeater site.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Technical support personnel from the WKARC society.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteer time and labour for preparation of radio equipment, installation, and maintenance.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Kaslo Search and Rescue**

Registration # S-45540

PO Box 592, Kaslo BC V0G 1M0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Ascending to Excellence: Rope Rescue Training**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area D, Village of Kaslo

- Our coverage area is as follows; Southernmost tip is Balfour; West is up through half of Kokanee Glacier Park, then to Fish Lake on Hwy 31A; North to Trout Lake; Northern most part is the southern boundary of Glacier National Park in the Duncan River drainage; East is all the drainages running into the Duncan River and then south down through the Purcell Mountain range to Gray Creek Pass.

- We also responded to 6 calls for mutual aid in 2023 throughout the West Kootenays with neighbouring SAR teams.

Importance to the community:

This project is vital for our community as it directly enhances Kaslo's emergency response capabilities, ensuring the safety and well-being of community members in challenging terrains. Kaslo Search and Rescue (SAR) serves as a critical lifeline in emergencies, and the high-angle rope rescue training addresses identified skill gaps, enabling swift and effective responses to incidents such as mountainous or wilderness rescues. The entire community benefits from this project, including residents, outdoor enthusiasts, and visitors who may find themselves in distress. The trained SAR team becomes a cornerstone of community safety, ensuring that professional volunteers are equipped to handle complex rescue situations. By investing in this training, we empower our SAR team to be at the forefront of community safety, providing invaluable support in times of need.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/7/2024 Project End: 9/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,500.00			\$4,999.00	\$4,999.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$12,498.00

Project: Ascending to Excellence: Rope Rescue Training

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$12,498.00	\$16,275.00	\$16,275.00

1. The project will provide:

- The project entails a six-day, 44-hour high-angle rope rescue training program for Kaslo Search and Rescue (SAR) conducted by Ronin Safety and Rescue Inc. The objective is to equip Kaslo SAR with additional Rope Rescue Technician 1 (RRT1) and Rope Rescue Technician 2 (RRT2) certifications, aligning with the Provincial Operating Guidelines (POGs) 3.02a BC SAR Wildland Rope Rescue Competency Matrix.
- The training structure involves a weekend for content delivery and a subsequent weekend for student evaluation, ensuring a comprehensive grasp of competencies. RRT1 focuses on foundational skills like knots, anchor systems, and stretcher rigging, emphasizing teamwork for SAR missions. RRT2, tailored for those completing RRT1, delves into advanced personal skills and cohesive team performance.
- Ronin commits to EMCR standards and strict adherence to the POGs, employing experienced instructors through a robust quality assurance process. The project's success relies on effective collaboration, ensuring Kaslo SAR members are proficient and safe in executing high-angle rope rescues. The outcome will be SAR team members equipped with essential skills, certified to operate confidently and effectively in challenging terrains.

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide professional Search and Rescue services to anyone who finds themselves lost, injured or stranded in our surrounding areas.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is vital for our community as it directly enhances Kaslo's emergency response capabilities, ensuring the safety and well-being of community members in challenging terrains. Kaslo Search and Rescue (SAR) serves as a critical lifeline in emergencies, and the high-angle rope rescue training addresses identified skill gaps, enabling swift and effective responses to incidents such as mountainous or wilderness rescues. The entire community benefits from this project, including residents, outdoor enthusiasts, and visitors who may find themselves in distress. The trained SAR team becomes a cornerstone of community safety, ensuring that professional volunteers are equipped to handle complex rescue situations. By investing in this training, we empower our SAR team to be at the forefront of community safety, providing invaluable support in times of need.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

This high-angle rope rescue training project ensure KSAR will maintain the competencies required to maintain our rope rescue capability with EMCR but also enhances community safety through the deployment of highly trained professional volunteers. The identified issues stem from the need for continued training of new members within Kaslo Search and Rescue to respond effectively to high-angle rope rescue scenarios. The opportunity lies in transforming SAR members into certified Rope Rescue Technicians, contributing to a community safety framework. This was identified through collaboration with Kaslo SAR's Training Officer, underscoring the project's dual impact: increased rescue capabilities and a dedicated team of professional volunteers standing by to bolster community safety during emergencies.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

In 2023, our team collectively dedicated more than 6,300 volunteer hours, underscoring our steadfast commitment to upholding our proficiency in various operations. This substantial investment of time reflects our dedication to ensuring a safe, efficient, and effective response across a spectrum of search and rescue disciplines. From Ground and Canine Search, Tracking, Rope Rescue, and Mountain Rescue to Helicopter Operations, Winter Response, and

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Swiftwater and Flatwater Rescue operations, our team remains devoted to maintaining the skills required for diverse and challenging scenarios. This significant volunteer effort highlights our ongoing commitment to readiness, ensuring that we can reliably respond to the dynamic needs of our community with competence and dedication.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Kaslo Search and Rescue volunteers

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteers have committed to 24 hours of total instruction time and 20 hours of evaluation time over the course of 6 days - along with pre-reading and additional personal training time. Twelve members for just the 44 hours at only \$25 an hour = \$13,200 value of volunteer time.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



SENT VIA EMAIL ON JAN 10, 2024 VR2

Miriam.halliday@kaslosar.com

COMPANY: Kaslo Search and Rescue

ADDRESS: 529 Arena Ave, Kaslo,
BC

ATTENTION: Miriam Halliday, Training Officer

RE: Training Proposal: EMCR Wildland Rope Rescue Program

1. INTRODUCTION

Ronin Safety and Rescue Inc. (Ronin) is pleased to present our proposal for the provision of training services for Kaslo SAR (CLIENT) at a location located in Kaslo, BC, in response to a request from Miriam Halliday.

Ronin Safety and Rescue, Canada's premier safety and rescue company is headquartered in Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada, and is currently operating worldwide.

Ronin has a proven approach to quality assurance and client satisfaction. Our OHS/HSE client list includes Governments, Heavy Industry, Regional Authorities and Emergency Services.

Our team consists of professionals with extensive backgrounds in their fields. Our specialists identify and develop strategies in partnership with our clients for workplace safety, training, equipment, and rescue with a focus on providing customized solutions.

Our team has global experience having operated in the Middle East, Arabian Gulf, Southeast Asia, the Caribbean, Europe, Africa, and Canada – including the arctic region of Canada.

2. BACKGROUND & PURPOSE

Ronin understands that Kaslo SAR would like to be instructed in the competencies as presented in the Provincial Operating Guidelines (POGs) 3.02a BC SAR Wildland Rope Rescue Competency Matrix. Ronin Rescue has been requested to provide a proposal for a simultaneous Rope Rescue Technician 1 and 2 training for the team. This will require two instructors (one for each level).

3. SCOPE OF SERVICE

Based on information provided by the CLIENT, Ronin proposes to provide a 6 day, 44-hour program that includes the elements listed below. The first weekend will be the delivery of the training content to the students and the second weekend will be the evaluation for the students.

Ronin Safety & Rescue conducts all our Rope Rescue Training Courses to EMCR standards, and we strictly follow the Provincial Operating Guidelines (POGs) 3.02a BC SAR Wildland Rope Rescue Competency Matrix.

ROPE RESCUE TECHNICIAN 1 (RRT1)

Course Duration: 6 days

Course Format: Classroom and practical exercises; evaluation

Certification: Certificate of Attendance upon successful completion

Pre-requisites: Online Test

This course is delivered over 3 days spanning across a weekend, with a Friday evening/Saturday all-day/Sunday all-day format. If the CLIENT would like to do a custom schedule, please consult with Ronin for a revised proposal. This course is intended for Ground Search and Rescue Technicians that may be working as, with, or around Rope Rescue Technicians. This training will meet and exceed the minimum competencies set by EMCR, with an emphasis on strong personal skills and working cohesively as a team on SAR missions. The course consists of classroom lectures, hands-on training, practical scenarios, and an evaluation.

The instruction course is to be completed over a minimum of 24 hours. Evaluation is 20 hours.

Topics covered, in accordance with the competency matrix:

Chapter 2.1 – Introduction to Rope Rescue

Chapter 2.2 – Knots, Bends & Hitches

Chapter 2.3 – The Mechanics (Physics) of Rope Rescue

Chapter 2.4 – Anchor Systems

Chapter 2.5 – Communication

Chapter 2.6 – Dual Capability Two Tensioned Rope Systems

Chapter 2.7 – Edge Management

Chapter 2.8 – Stretcher and Attendant Rigging

Chapter 2.9 – Subject Packaging and Securement

Chapter 2.10 – Slope Rescue

Online Test

Please be advised, pre-reading and a successful attempt at the online quiz will be required before a member may participate in the training. Students may have two attempts.

There is also be an online exam we require students to complete before the Assessment Weekend. We can certainly make this test available as well. Students may have two attempts

ROPE RESCUE TECHNICIAN 2 (RRT2)

Course Duration: 6 days

Course Format: Classroom and practical exercises; evaluation

Certification: Certificate of Attendance upon successful completion

Pre-requisites: Online Test

This course is delivered over 6 days spanning across 2 weekends, with a Friday evening/Saturday all-day/Sunday all-day format. If the CLIENT would like to do a custom schedule, please consult with Ronin for a revised proposal. This course is intended for Ground Search and Rescue Technicians that may have completed a the Rope Rescue 1 Program. This training will meet and exceed the minimum competencies set by EMCR, with an emphasis on strong personal skills and working cohesively as a team on SAR missions. The course consists of classroom lectures, hands-on training, practical scenarios, and an evaluation.

The instruction course is to be completed over a minimum of 18 hours, while the RRT2 evaluation will be completed over a minimum of 18 hours.

Online Test

Please be advised, pre-reading and a successful attempt at the online quiz will be required before a member may participate in the training. Students may have two attempts.

There will also be an online exam before the Assessment Weekend. Students may have two attempts.

Ronin will work with the Kaslo SAR Team to ensure that the specific teaching practices, techniques, and methodology pertaining to Technical Rescue remain consistent with those already established by the CLIENT and EMCR.

Each participant will receive a digital copy of the workbook, access to the online tests, and a certificate, upon successful completion.

Exams will be administered by Ronin before the training session and evaluation. Students can have two attempts and the highest score is kept. Each test has a time limit. The exam before the assessment weekend is worth 20% towards final grades.

4. PROJECT TEAM

The primary Project Manager for this project will be Mark Pfeifer, Ronin Safety and Rescue Inc.

To ensure standards of quality, safety and consistency of program delivery, Ronin has developed strict standards for instructor selection, orientation, training, and oversight. All of Ronin's instructors must be third party certified as instructors and participate in Ronin's two-day instructor training program as a first step. Upon completion of the instructor-training program, the potential instructor must attend as a student and co-teach every course he/she would like to instruct – while being monitored, assessed, and mentored by the Ronin Chief Instructor. Once cleared by the Chief Instructor (Ronin's Chief Instructor has over one thousand hours of instruction time) after co-teaching, the potential instructor must pass Ronin's "competent person" test for the particular topic. Once the test is complete the instructor is audited within one of their first five classes and again once a year in accordance with our quality assurance procedures.

Ronin recruits its instructors from the ranks of professional organizations such as OHS professionals, public safety professionals or the military. Any potential instructors must have a background in adult education as well as verifiable hours in multiple training environments.

Ronin may utilize other instructors as required to fulfill its contract commitments. Ronin will ensure any unlisted instructors possess similar skills to any staff listed above.

5. SCHEDULE

Training will be delivered on dates required by the CLIENT. Project logistics and requirements, including the training schedule, will be confirmed with the CLIENT to ensure required resources have been allocated for successful training completion. Ronin is open to working with Kaslo SAR re dates.

A minimum of ten (10) business days' notice will be given to either party prior to any required deadlines, including transmission or transfer of any information related to this proposal. Ronin reserves the right to re-negotiate deadlines or schedule, and charge accrued project costs (including disbursements), due to scheduling conflicts due to unforeseen circumstances, delays, or any cancellations by the CLIENT.

Course participant numbers must be finalized and confirmed with Ronin at least ten (10) business days in advance of the training date for administrative preparation. Minimum number of participants will be 4 people, with the maximum determined by how many instructors are on site (EMCR requires a 6 student to 1 instructor ratio). If attendee numbers or list revisions are not provided to Ronin at least ten (10) business days prior, disbursements will be fully charged to the CLIENT regardless of the number of participants (i.e. less than 4). As this is a RRT 1 and 2 program, Ronin will need 2 instructors. Each instructor can accommodate 6 students.

6. PROJECT RESOURCES

Training resources will be required for successful completion. The CLIENT agrees to provide:

- Student Personal Rescue Personal Protective Equipment (harnesses, helmets, gloves etc.)
- Locations suitable for classroom and scenario training, this may include but not be limited to buildings and austere environments etc.

Ronin will provide:

- 2 Instructors with personal protective equipment and personal rescue equipment
- Team rescue gear in accordance with the EMCR Rope Rescue Kit Manifest (ropes, rigging equipment, patient packaging devices, other rescue equipment).
- Online testing platform

Advanced notice will be given to the CLIENT should other resources be required to complete the training. If the CLIENT is unable to provide all the items listed above, a request to provide equipment will be provided to Ronin at least five (5) days in advance. Additional fees may apply.

7. DELIVERABLES

Upon completion of the training, Ronin will provide the following document deliverables:

- Student roster
- Report of results (Pass/Fail)
- Certificates of Attendance

Certificates will be sent to the CLIENT within seven (7) to ten (10) business days after the last training session. Electronic copies of the course/instructor evaluations may be provided upon request.

8. PROJECT FEES/INVOICING

Ronin offers to provide the above services as per the cost breakdown below (including GST):

44-HOUR RRT1 & 2 TRAINING & EVALUATION (Both programs over 2 weekends, 6 Students Max per group, 1 INSTRUCTOR PER GROUP – 1 instructor for RRT1 and 1 instructor for RRT2):	\$15,500
DIGITAL WORKBOOKS AND ONLINE TESTS:	INCLUDED
TOTAL	\$15,500

Terms

This proposal is valid for 30 days from date on document. Due to travel and accommodation costs, if the booking date is over 30 days from proposal date, Ronin reserves the right to resubmit proposal based on current market pricing.

Upon acceptance of this proposal, an invoice will be submitted for payment. Booking of training is only considered finalized on payment of invoice or provision of a PO. All funds are payable in Canadian currency.

9. PRIVACY, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND INSURANCE

The Ronin offices maintain a strict policy and set of procedures regarding visitor access, data security (paper and digital), and privacy. All staff and associates have signed confidentiality agreements, and all working files are kept securely under lock and key.

Ronin is fully and currently insured for: commercial comprehensive general liability (\$5,000,000), cross liability and errors and omissions (\$5,000,000). We will fully maintain all this insurance for the duration of this project. Details of insurance and registration can be supplied on request.

We are fully registered with WorkSafe BC and have a positive safety record.

10. QUALITY ASSURANCE

At Ronin, we firmly believe that customer service and the consistent, reliable delivery of quality services and products are the foundation of sound business practices. To further enhance and formalize our corporate approach to quality assurance Ronin has a formalized quality management system.

Of interest to our clients, our quality management system formalizes, documents, and tracks our approach to:

- Customer needs and our approach to meeting those needs
- Design, development and assessment of our services and products
- Customer and student confidentiality
- Care, control and protection of customer data, resources, and equipment
- Measurement, analysis and improvement of our services and products
- Prevention of, and response to, issues of non-conformity of services and products, and concerns raised by customers and students

At Ronin, we are serious about our commitment to consistently provide quality services to each client. In those rare instances where there is a concern raised by a client or a student, Ronin follows a standard documented and proven process to identify the problem, respond to the client needs, and take steps to ensure the problem does not occur again. Specifically, we:

1. Work with those involved to clearly identify the problem, its root causes, client concerns, and impact on those involved
2. Check with the client and those involved to ensure we have clearly identified the points in number one above
3. Identify and implement an immediate and remedial plan of action that best meets the needs of the client
4. Follow-up with the client, and those involved, immediately afterwards to ensure the steps taken have appropriately addressed the initial concerns
5. Follow-up once more, later, with the client and those involved to ensure the original response is working and still appropriate
6. Debrief those staff involved, identify, and implement a plan to ensure the original issue or concern does not occur again.

As a part of our quality management system, when a concern is raised, either by a client, student, supplier, or one of our own staff, we immediately begin tracking the concern and our response to it through the use of our “*Action Report*”.

We believe that this approach meets the needs of our clients and learners, prevents further similar concerns, and ensures lasting and positive relationships with all our clients.

11. PROPOSAL ACCEPTANCE

Training details and fees outlined in this proposal is based on the Scope of Training previously defined. Should the CLIENT request or require changes to the scope of Ronin’s involvement other than explicitly stated in this proposal, Ronin reserves all rights to re-negotiate the above terms, including the schedule, project fees etc.

Please indicate the CLIENT’s acceptance of this proposal and the outlined terms and conditions by emailing to mark@roninrescue.com a written authorization to proceed or purchase order as soon as conveniently possible.

Ronin thanks you for this opportunity and your consideration. Should you have any questions, need further clarification, or require additional information regarding this proposal, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you,

Mark Pfeifer

CEO

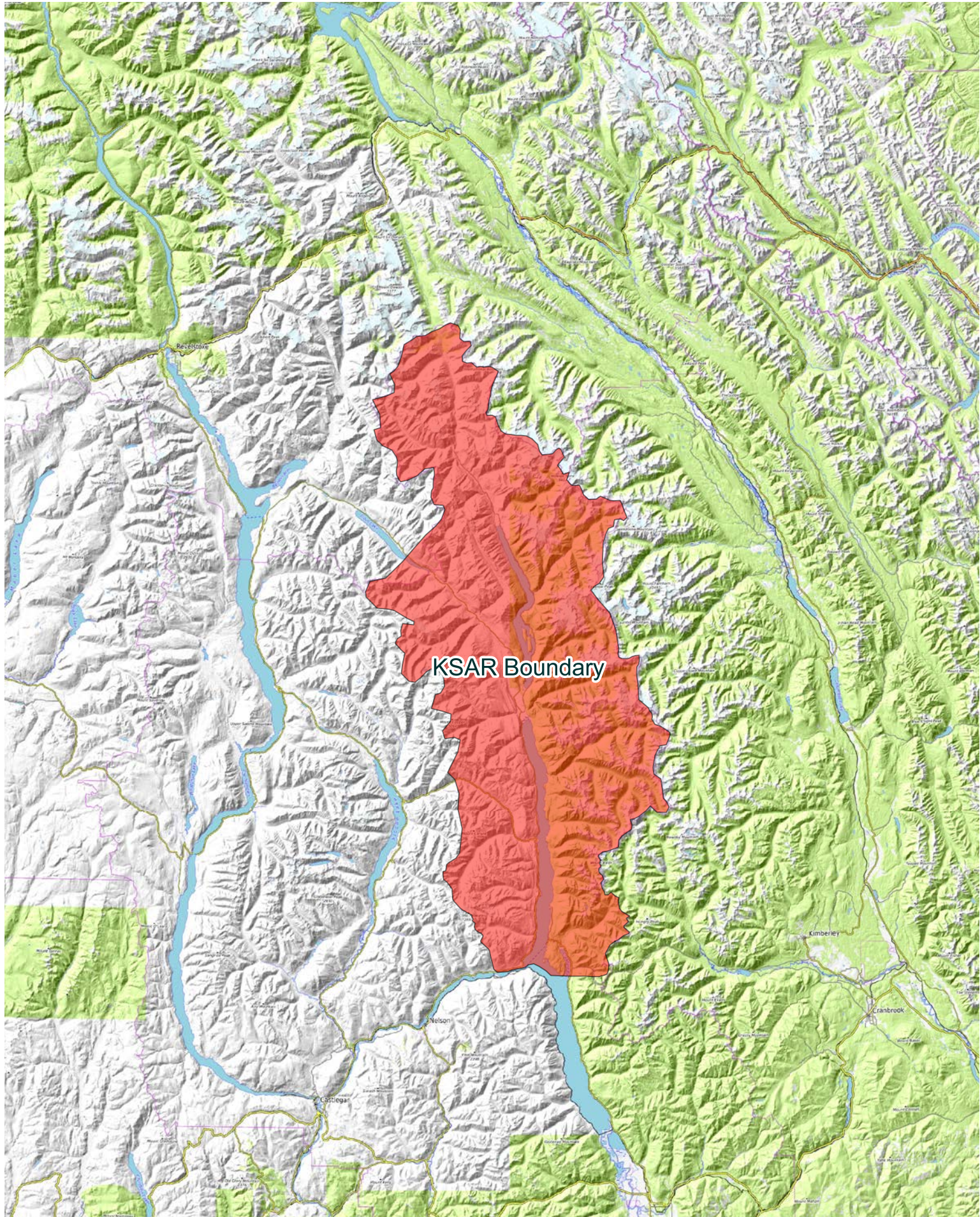
RONIN SAFETY & RESCUE INC.

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Kaslo Search and Resuce Response Area



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KSAR Rope Rescue Technician 1 & 2 Training Budget

Rope Rescue Technician 1 and 2 Training for up to 12 students	\$ 15,500
Administration (5%)	\$ 775
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	\$ 16,275

Sources of Funds

ReDi Grant	\$ 12,498
Kaslo Municipal Grant	\$ 500
KSAR	\$ 3,277
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	\$ 16,275

Organization **Creston Valley Music Teachers Association**

Registration # 86813 1913 RR0001
1511 Scott Street, Creston BC V0B 1G5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable - Focus on Youth 2025

Project Title **Focus on Youth 2025**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston
The performances will take place at the Kootenay River Secondary School Auditorium and the art show is presented at the Creston room at the Creston and District Recreation Centre.

Importance to the community:

The students, their families and community members benefit. This project is a beloved opportunity for the students, they look forward to this festival. The families and friends get to see the talents of their children and celebrate the youth.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 4/28/2025 Project End: 5/9/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$400.00	\$800.00	\$800.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,800.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$3,800.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$3,800.00	\$6,100.00	\$6,100.00

1. The project will provide:

This project will display the talents of our youth for families, friends and neighbours to enjoy. There is a full week of rehearsals for all participating classes and private students April 28-May 3. The performances take place during the second week (May 5-9). The Art show will have an opening Gala on Monday May 5, 2024 and the art show will be open to the public May 5-8 at the Creston Recreation Centre.

2. Organization Mandate:

Focus on Youth provides students the opportunity to perform in a professional auditorium with professional sound lighting and staging for their performing arts projects. The art show is professionally mounted to provide students the opportunity to share their art. The students gain confidence and celebrate the success of their visual and performing arts. The community has the honour of seeing the youth display their performing and artistic talents.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The students, their families and community members benefit. This project is a beloved opportunity for the students, they look forward to this festival. The families and friends get to see the talents of their children and celebrate the youth.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The big opportunity is for the students who really enjoy presenting their projects or performances to a full live audience. The art show displays their talents as well. The students learn how to present in a professional setting, also the joy of success. There is a great sense of accomplishment for our students. they gain self confidence and joy.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

Our organization (CVMATA) is the umbrella for this project. The Focus on Youth Committee is a group of dedicated volunteers who work well together. CVMATA is part of the organizing committee, we have more volunteers due huge number of jobs and details to make this festival work. We have a proven track record with this festival, the first Focus on Youth was in 1986.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The committee is a group of dedicated volunteers who will do the organizing, scheduling, and mounting of the performances and the art show. The schools provide school class projects and the private music teachers plan the student music solos. The students are the highlight of the festival with a full week of performances and art displays.

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



Organization **South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society**

Registration # S-57088

Box 210, 16380 Jacobson Road, Crawford Bay BC V0B 1E0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Helping Hands 2024/2025**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

The project will take place in local communities along the Eastshore of Kootenay Lake, from Boswell to Riondel.

Importance to the community:

We want to help seniors remain in their own homes, living independently, for as long as they want. Seniors often need support to maintain their homes. Sometimes just a small amount of help with a few difficult chores can make all the difference between allowing them to stay in their community as opposed to moving away to a care facility. Everyone needs a bit of help as they get older so it's important that local youth and community members can offer some assistance.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 9/28/2024 Project End: 6/15/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,000.00				
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$2,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$2,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00

1. The project will provide:

The Helping Hands Project will coordinate volunteer teams twice a year, Fall and Spring, to help local Seniors and people with health conditions or impairments, with small jobs around people's homes. The Fall volunteer day will focus on helping people prepare for winter with chores such as stacking firewood, putting gardens to bed and weather stripping. The Spring Volunteer day will focus on helping people prepare for spring, with chores such as preparing garden beds, yard work, cleaning, etc. The Helping Hands Coordinators, Melina Cinq-Mars and Angie Clarke will contact seniors in the community to assess their needs for help around their homes. She will register volunteers from the community, and then assign teams to assist local Seniors.

2. Organization Mandate:

South Kootenay Lake Community Service Society (SKLCSS) is a non-profit organization operating on the East Shore of Kootenay Lake that focuses primarily on Seniors and Youth Programming but also acts as an umbrella agency that sponsors and administers community funded programs and projects that foster and promotes community and economic stability and growth.

Our primary programs are the East Shore Youth Network and Junior Squad which addresses the needs of local youth in the area by organizing events and workshops for youth that provide opportunities based on diverse youth input. Our East Shore Elder Care Program is focused on helping and supporting our local seniors so that they can age in place, remain in their own homes for as long as possible and to help seniors access programs and services.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

We want to help seniors remain in their own homes, living independently, for as long as they want. Seniors often need support to maintain their homes. Sometimes just a small amount of help with a few difficult chores can make all the difference between allowing them to stay in their community as opposed to moving away to a care facility. Everyone needs a bit of help as they get older so it's important that local youth and community members can offer some assistance.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The Seniors Association of Riondel, Better at Home and the East Shore Kootenay Lake Health Society have all identified the need for home support to keep seniors in their own homes. The key opportunity of our project is that we will help seniors in our community. In order to help seniors remain in their rural communities, they need help to maintain their homes. This project will also help to reduce social isolation and foster inclusion for the seniors as well as for the volunteers that participate. The project will help establish important social links and relationships across a variety of demographics which helps to promote trust, and well-being within a community.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society has sponsored more than 200 grants since 2010. We ensure responsible public transparency in the distribution of funds. We monitor and ensure that grant reporting is completed and proper project closure occurs. We have been involved in Helping Hands day since 2019.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

South Kootenay Lake Community Services Society will work with their East Shore Youth Network Coordinators to implement the project. The Youth Network Coordinators have taken a lead role in this project for the last several years.

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

In Kind contributions will be made by volunteers for the Helping Hands days. On average, we usually have approximately 20 volunteers that each do 6 hours of work. $120 \text{ hrs} \times \$20/\text{hr} = \2400.00

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Wynndel Community Centre**

Registration # 132 916 768 BC001

5157 Wynndel Road, Wynndel BC V0B 2N2

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Wynndel Community Centre Security Cameras**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A

Two cameras will be located on WCC property and one on a neighbouring property (agreement already obtained from property owner).

Importance to the community:

The community centre is an important focal point for Wynndel residents including regular sports activities, family activities and private rentals. The hall is entirely volunteer operated and the community benefits overall when the Board can focus on supporting events and regular operations, and not repairing after vandalism.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 6/18/2024 Project End: 8/30/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$2,400.00		\$1,940.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$900.00	\$150.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$5,390.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$5,390.00	\$5,390.00	\$5,390.07

Project: Wynndel Community Centre Security Cameras

1. The project will provide:

This project will provide security cameras at 3 locations to record activity at all Wynndel Community Centre (WCC) entrances. A local electrical contractor can provide and install the necessary components as per the attached quote.

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide the opportunity for the community to use the facility known as the Wynndel Community Centre for recreation and education activities.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The community centre is an important focal point for Wynndel residents including regular sports activities, family activities and private rentals. The hall is entirely volunteer operated and the community benefits overall when the Board can focus on supporting events and regular operations, and not repairing after vandalism.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Over the last 2 years the WCC Board has overseen over \$130,000 in building improvements and wants to protect this investment. The adjacent school property is continuously vandalized and the Board is concerned similar activity could occur on the hall property. There has been some vandalism on the hall. Although hall rentals are numerous, there is no onsite director or regular opening hours.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The Wynndel Community Centre continues to be the only community-based agency in Wynndel. There is a full complement of engaged Board directors who have a proven success delivering large capital projects. A local, professional contractor will provide the work. This project will require minimal Board oversight.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The project will be overseen by a WCC Board director. A local electrical contractor will provide all parts and labour.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Nil

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



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Presented By
Big Tree Electrical Ltd.






Quote Number
Q-360

Presented On
Jan 18, 2024

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Locations

Mechanical Room

ITEM		QTY
	General Cable Cat5	60
	Shop Supplies Various small items like screws, connectors, straps, etc.	1
	Ubiquiti Networks UNVR-Pro Network Video Recorder Pro	1
	Ubiquiti Networks 8TB HDD 8TB HDD	1
	Ubiquiti Networks USW-LITE-8-POE The USW-Lite-8-PoE is a fully managed Layer 2 switch with eight Gigabit Ethernet ports for your RJ45 Ethernet devices. Four ports also offer auto-sensing 802.3at PoE+ that provide up to a total PoE wattage of 52W for UniFi Access Points or other PoE devices.	1


Product **\$1,037.70** Labor **\$735.00**

Hall Sports Entrance








ITEM		QTY
	Ubiquiti Networks UVC-G5-Bullet G5 Bullet Camera	1

Product **\$191.11** Labor **\$98.33**

Hall Main Entrance

ITEM	QTY
 Ubiquiti Networks UVC-G5-Bullet G5 Bullet Camera	1
Product \$191.11 Labor \$98.33	

Dressel Shop

ITEM	QTY
 Iberville BC1110 Utility Box	1
 Building Wire 14/2 NMD90	4
 Leviton 80401 1G Faceplate - Decora	1
 Leviton T5325 15A Decora Receptacle, Tamper Resistant	1
 Ubiquiti Networks UBB-XG-US UniFi Building to Building Bridge XG Network Antenna	1
 Ubiquiti Networks USW-LITE-8-POE The USW-Lite-8-PoE is a fully managed Layer 2 switch with eight Gigabit Ethernet ports for your RJ45 Ethernet devices. Four ports also offer auto-sensing 802.3at PoE+ that provide up to a total PoE wattage of 52W for UniFi Access Points or other PoE devices.	1
 Ubiquiti Networks UVC-G5-PRO Indoor/outdoor 4K PoE Camera with exceptional image performance and 3x optical zoom lens	1
Product \$2,180.30 Labor \$525.33	

Summary

Product	\$3,600.22
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Labor	\$1,456.99
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Subtotal	\$5,057.21
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Tax	\$252.86
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Total Price	\$5,310.07
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Professional Certifications/Licenses

CLASSIFICATION	DESCRIPTION	STATE/PROVINCE	NUMBER
Contractor License	TSBC Contractor License	British Columbia	LEL0208888
Field Safety Representative Class B	Master Electrician BC (Forrest Demman)	British Columbia	CEL000242532
Master Electrician	Alberta Master Electrician (Forrest Demman)	Alberta	12933
WorksafeBC	WorksafeBC Account in Good Standing	British Columbia	200819952

Project Terms

1. Contract Documents and Details

The contract documents consist of this agreement, including all general provisions, special provisions, specifications, drawings, addenda, change orders, written interpretations, and written orders for minor changes in work. Work not covered by contract documents will not be required unless it is required by reasonable inference as being necessary to produce the intended result. The costs associated with any related work or materials, including, but not limited to drywall, painting, cabinets, and underground trenching are not included unless specifically documented in the proposal.

2. Time

With respect to the scheduled completion of the project, time is of the essence. If Big Tree Electrical Ltd. is delayed at any time in the progress of the work by owner change orders, fire, labor disputes, acts of God or other causes beyond Big Tree Electrical Ltd.'s control, the completion schedule for the work or affected parts of the work shall be extended by the same amount of the time caused by the delay.

3. Payments and Completion

The above Payment Schedule is a guideline and approximation. Since Big Tree Electrical Ltd. will, if possible, open, test and burn-in equipment before delivery, all components must be paid for before delivery to job site. Payments may not be withheld under any circumstances. Any disputes due to legal claims will be settled independently in good faith between the parties. Final payment shall be due immediately following completion of the project. Big Tree Electrical Ltd. will hold owner harmless with respect to claims of subcontractors and suppliers.

4. Insurance

Big Tree Electrical Ltd. shall purchase and maintain such insurance necessary to protect from claims under workers compensation and from any damage to the owners property resulting from the conduct of this contract.

5. Changes in the Contract

The owner may order changes, additions, or modifications without invalidating the contract. Such changes must be in writing and signed by the owner. Big Tree Electrical Ltd. shall provide the owner in writing the amount of additional costs or cost reductions resulting from changes ordered within 15 working days unless this requirement is waived in writing by the owner. Change Orders shall be paid in full upon acceptance of change and shall not alter the contract's payment schedule. In case of product unavailability or discontinuation, contractor reserves the right to substitute equipment of equal or better quality with clients approval. Big Tree Electrical Ltd. will be held blameless in case of product unavailability or discontinuation.

6. Warranty

Big Tree Electrical Ltd. warranties all parts and labor involved in an installation for one year. Big Tree Electrical Ltd. will also be glad to help the client get their manufacturer-warranted equipment serviced though out the life of the said warranty.

Signature

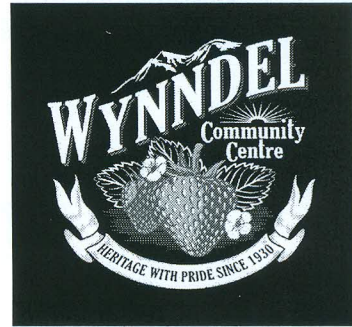
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Date

WYNNDEL COMMUNITY CENTRE

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5127 Wynndel Road
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January 26, 2024

CBT Grants Coordinator
Regional District of Central Kootenay
Box 590, 202 Lakeside Dr
Nelson, BC V1L 5R4

Re: Project CBT #210-2022, Wynndel School Demolition Hazard Assessment

To: CBT Grants Coordinator

As per an email thread with Melissa Djakovic, the Wynndel Community Centre (WCC) wants to rectify outstanding grant reporting for project CBT #210-2022. As noted in the financial report submitted online today, the project did not proceed. The Board is subsequently returning \$2377.59.

Over the years the Wynndel community has benefited from numerous CBT and RDCK supported initiatives and we regret the reporting oversight. On behalf of the WCC Board, I apologize for this oversight and we hope to return to good standing soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'N. Schaefer', written in a cursive style.

Noreen Schaefer, Director
Wynndel Community Centre Board of Directors

From Forest to Fields, the Gateway to Majestic Kootenay Lake

Organization **Diverse Family Roots Society**

Registration # 711389619

Po Box 461, Fruitvale BC V0G 1L0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Dads Matter. Families on a Tuesday . Supporting Families With Diverse Needs. Families Housing That Fits**

Project will be located in: City of Nelson, Town of Creston, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, City of Castlegar, Village of Salmo, Village of Silverton, Village of Slocan, Village of Kaslo

These will take place virtually and in person in each community . Each region has its own unique identities and needs. The project encompasses the RDKB, RDCK, RDKB.

Importance to the community:

Up until now, this has not existed in the region. Families are disconnected and isolated. COVID did not help at all, in fact more and more families are feeling disconnected, isolated , especially those with medically vulnerable family members.. Families will benefit from Our Tuesday Night Get togethers on ZOOM. Sharing, inspiring, supporting, mentoring. Many young families feel isolated, on their own. The in person events will be uplifting, encouraging, supportive, inclusive.

Thursday evening Sessions for inclusive and supportive, intentional housing . Many families are aging and are the primary caregiver for their aging at home sons and daughters.

Dads will feel connected through the Sunday Night- Dads Supporting Dads online sessions. The in person events will be uplifting, encouraging, supportive, inclusive.

Families will benefit . We intend to lift the instances of isolation, disconnect, aloneness by connecting like/ similar families.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/24/2024 Project End: 5/17/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
\$500.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$500.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
\$500.00	\$500.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING	\$29,500.00

			REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$29,500.00	\$29,500.00	\$29,500.00

1. The project will provide:

Dads Matter. Connecting dads that have sons/ daughters with disabilities/ Diverse Abilities. Relieving the strain and pressures of not being alone. Connecting Dads. Supporting dads. Inspiring Dads. Connect to resources and subject matter experts (SME). Delivered virtually and in person sessions.

Families on a Tuesday. Families that have sons and daughters with disabilities, Diverse Abilities. We will connect, support, Mentor, inspire , connect families/ to resources and to subject matter experts and other families with lived experience. delivered virtually and in person sessions.

Families Housing that Fits- Inclusive, supportive, intentional housing conversations. Sharing and discussion on housing options that could be available in each region and the role that families can play in that. Delivered virtually and In person sessions. The project will cover all of the Kootenays , RDKB, RDCK and RDEK with funding requests being submitted to each.

2. Organization Mandate:

Diverse Family Roots Society is the only grassroots, parent/family-driven support network for families with children or family members with diverse abilities/disabilities that is based in the Kootenays. Create a world where everyone is connected to support, families, resources, and to the community in which they live. Providing information sharing, mentoring, opportunities for connection and sharing, promoting awareness and inclusion

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Up until now, this has not existed in the region. Families are disconnected and isolated. COVID did not help at all, in fact more and more families are feeling disconnected, isolated , especially those with medically vulnerable family members.. Families will benefit from Our Tuesday Night Get togethers on ZOOM. Sharing, inspiring, supporting, mentoring. Many young families feel isolated, on their own. The in person events will be uplifting, encouraging, supportive, inclusive.

Thursday evening Sessions for inclusive and supportive, intentional housing . Many families are aging and are the primary caregiver for their aging at home sons and daughters.

Dads will feel connected through the Sunday Night- Dads Supporting Dads online sessions. The in person events will be uplifting, encouraging, supportive, inclusive.

Families will benefit . We intend to lift the instances of isolation, disconnect, aloneness by connecting like/ similar families.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

Issues of isolation, addressing the fact that Dads/ Families are not alone in their journey . Connection- connecting like families, meaning to connect families that have similar challenges. Whether it's ASD, ADHD, FASD, OCD, Epilepsy, Downs Syndrome and more we will connect, support those.

Not in school because of the challenges of their son/ daughter.

Project: Dads Matter. Families on a Tuesday . Supporting Families With Diverse Needs. Families Housing That Fits

Lack of Inclusive, intentional housing options. Lack of affordable, supportive housing options. It's an epidemic on its own . So many aging parents still have their aging sons/ daughter living with them with no safe solutions/ options to choose from.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The only grass roots family to family, parent to parent group for dads/ Families that have sons and daughters with disabilities/ diverse abilities that is based in the Kootenays. The Family navigator has 35 yrs of lived experience. Our volunteer " Family Stewards' are all parents that live through out the region and have lived experience .

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Family Navigator.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

TECK Trail Operations- 1000.00.

BOUNCE (WK) Radio in kind Public Service Announcements(PSA) . 1yr.- 20,000.00

PLAN- Planned Lifetime Advocacy Network- 1500.00

Pattison Media (EK) Radio in kind Public Service Announcements (PSA) . 1yr- 20,000.00

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

FAMILIES ON TUESDAY

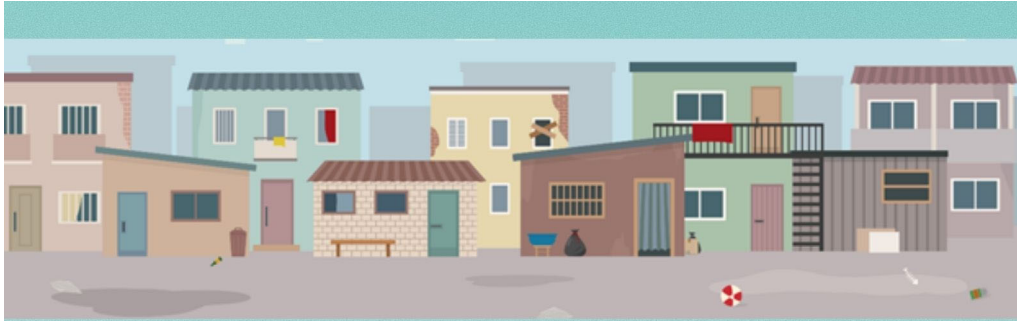
Tuesdays 6:30 pm on Zoom

Families Supporting Families

- Support
- Listening
- Sharing
- Connecting

Hosted by Ben Postmus
diversefamilyroots@gmail.com





FAMILIES HOUSING THAT FITS

Thursdays 6:30 pm PST

[Click here to register](#)

or

email: diversefamilyroots@gmail.com



With Ben Postmus

Inclusive and
Supportive
Housing in your
Community



DO YOU HAVE A SON OR DAUGHTER WITH DIVERSE ABILITIES?

SO DO I.

*DADS
MATTER*

Dads Sharing
Dads Supporting
Dads Inspiring Dads

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Organization **Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital & Health Foundation Society**

Registration # 89312 3034 RR0001

1200 Hospital Bench, Trail BC V1R 4M1

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Orthopedic Enhancement Project**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area G, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, RDCK Area K, City of Nelson, Town of Creston, Village of Nakusp, Village of New Denver, City of Castlegar, Village of Salmo

Phase 1 of the Project commenced January 2023 at the KBRH Health Foundation/KBRH including planning, securing approvals and equipment quotes, grant writing and broad reaching fundraising. Phase 2 includes the CBT ReDi Grant process, purchasing equipment and reporting back as required. Fundraising for this project will occur at the KBRH Health Foundation. Procurement of the equipment will occur at KBRH. Usage of equipment associated with the Orthopedic Enhancement Project will take place at KBRH in the Operating Rooms, to be used by the Orthopedic Surgeons.

Importance to the community:

The Orthopedic Enhancement Project will greatly improve patient care for 88,000 residents living in the West Kootenay Boundary Region. KBRH is the regional service hub for orthopedic and trauma services, providing over 1,700 scheduled and emergency orthopedic surgeries annually. This initiative aims to bring advanced care closer to home, benefiting residents across the area. With the inclusion of state-of-the-art equipment and skilled surgeons, KBRH will treat more orthopedic patients locally, minimizing the need to refer patients to larger city centres for care. The Project will support the introduction of innovative surgical approaches, less invasive techniques, and ultimately reduce pain and recovery time for patients. This not only accelerates patients' return home and functionality but also involves families in the healing process, resulting in a more positive patient experience. The successful completion of the Orthopedic Enhancement Project promises a significant leap forward in regional healthcare and delivery of orthopedic surgical services.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/16/2024 Project End: 12/31/2024

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$8,000.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
\$500.00	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$500.00
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			

\$500.00	\$500.00		TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$32,000.00
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Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$32,000.00	\$750,000.00	\$750,000.00

1. The project will provide:

In September 2023, the KBRH Health Foundation launched the Orthopedic Enhancement Project, a \$750,000 effort to advance patient care at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH). This Project will purchase state of the art medical equipment for the Operating Rooms at KBRH, to be used by the Orthopedic Surgeons.

The Orthopedic Enhancement Project will support 2 new Orthopedic Surgeons, who have been recruited to work at KBRH, as well as our existing team of 4 Orthopedic Surgeons. The equipment purchased will allow the surgical team to continue their excellent work providing hip and knee replacement; hip, knee, ankle, shoulder, hand and wrist repair; and trauma surgeries.

Notably, this Project will also support a new level of service for patients including total ankle replacements, hip and knee replacements with a one-day discharge, reverse shoulder arthroplasties and it will change the way some current procedures are performed.

The total Project (Phase 1 & 2) is \$750,000 with \$430,000 donated to date; \$320,000 remains outstanding (for Phase 2) and is the focus of this application, emphasizing the Foundation's commitment to advancing healthcare accessibility and patient care for residents of the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District.

2. Organization Mandate:

Since 1988, the KBRH Health Foundation, formerly the Trail Regional Hospital Foundation, has raised over \$24.9 million to advance healthcare in the Kootenay Boundary. The Foundation's revenue is generated through gifts from donors. Funding priorities include equipment, patient care & comfort and staff education. The operating budget for 2024 is \$1,750,000.

Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH) has 81 acute care beds, 50 multi-level care beds, and responds to the health care needs of 88,000 residents. KBRH offers specialist services, core medical services and advanced diagnostic services to the residents of its 29,000 sq. km area of accountability. The funds stewarded through the KBRH Health Foundation directly benefit patients receiving healthcare services within the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District service area.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The Orthopedic Enhancement Project will greatly improve patient care for 88,000 residents living in the West Kootenay Boundary Region. KBRH is the regional service hub for orthopedic and trauma services, providing over 1,700 scheduled and emergency orthopedic surgeries annually. This initiative aims to bring advanced care closer to home, benefiting residents across the area. With the inclusion of state-of-the-art equipment and skilled surgeons, KBRH will treat more orthopedic patients locally, minimizing the need to refer patients to larger city centres for care. The Project will support the introduction of innovative surgical approaches, less invasive techniques, and ultimately

Project: Orthopedic Enhancement Project

reduce pain and recovery time for patients. This not only accelerates patients' return home and functionality but also involves families in the healing process, resulting in a more positive patient experience. The successful completion of the Orthopedic Enhancement Project promises a significant leap forward in regional healthcare and delivery of orthopedic surgical services.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The Orthopedic Enhancement Project addresses key healthcare challenges and opportunities. Recognizing the limited local access to some advanced orthopedic services and the pressing need to recruit and retain specialists, the Project supports the team of Orthopedic Surgeons at KBRH and upgrades surgical capabilities to offer a broader range of procedures. Advanced surgical care will be provided locally at KBRH, alleviating the financial and emotional burden on patients who currently travel for specialized orthopedic treatments. The Project also addresses the long wait times for orthopedic surgeries. Recruitment of 2 new orthopedic surgeons and acquisition of this equipment will increase capacity to provide more surgeries, add new surgical procedures, and decrease wait lists.

Interior Health's Senior Executive Team and KBRH's site leadership identified the need, supported specialist recruitment, and approved this new level of service for the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District service area.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

KBRH is the regional hospital for the Kootenay Boundary and has a proven track record of delivering quality patient care. The Foundation's mandate is to purchase priority medical equipment to improve patient care. Funding shortfalls continue due to budget constraints and competing demands to fund priority equipment across all sites in the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District and Interior Health.

Hospital Foundations play a critical role in supplementing equipment purchases so that our community members can receive the best healthcare possible. Donors have supported this Project with donations totaling \$430,000. We remain committed to raising the remaining \$320,000 to ensure all priority equipment is on site as soon as possible to support the orthopedic surgical team and their patients.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True**7. Partners involved in implementing this project:**

The Manager of Clinical Operations for the Operating Rooms will work with KBRH Health Foundation to purchase the equipment once funding is secured.

The Foundation team includes long term staff with over 25 years fundraising and other applicable experience, combined.

The KBRH staff working on this Project are all licenced and accredited by their respective governing agencies.

Interior Health's KBRH Administration and the KBRH Health Foundation's Board of Directors have approved this Project.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No**9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: No****10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes****11. In-kind sources and contributions:**

The KBRH Health Foundation will provide the in-kind contribution of staff time as follows:

File No. 73-2024

Project: Orthopedic Enhancement Project

Presentations to municipalities (50 hours)= \$1,750.00

Time spent on grant application (10 hours)= \$500.00

Time spent with IH on administration and ordering process (15 hours)= \$525.00

Time spent completing final reporting for the grants, if successful (4 hours)= \$140.00

Total In-Kind = \$2,915.00 depending on presentations.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Cindy Ferguson
Manager Clinical Operations OR & ACU
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital
cindy.ferguson@interiorhealth.ca

April 3, 2023

KBRH Health Foundation
Attn.: Lisa Pasin
1200 Hospital Bench
Trail, BC V1R 4M1

Dear Lisa,

I am writing to request funding to support the Orthopedic Enhancement Project at Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital (KBRH).

Our appeal is directed towards the KBRH Health Foundation, seeking assistance in acquiring advanced medical equipment and instrumentation to be used in the Operating Rooms at KBRH. This equipment and instrumentation will be dedicated for use by the Orthopedic Surgeons.

The project specifically calls for cutting-edge equipment, including a Self Retaining Hip Surgery Retractor System, Universal Lateral Positioner, Collinear Reduction Clamp Set, Orthopedic Hana Table, and other essential tools. This project will significantly enhance the capabilities of our surgical team, reduce patient wait times, and elevate the overall standard of orthopedic care, providing enhanced accessibility and convenience for patients close to home in the Kootenay Boundary.

The newly acquired equipment will advance techniques used in all current procedures performed at KBRH, including hip and knee replacements, ankle, shoulder, hand, and wrist repairs, along with trauma surgeries. Notably, it will introduce a 24 hour or less discharge process for patients undergoing hip and knee replacements, as well as support two new orthopedic surgeons being recruited to the surgical team at KBRH.

On behalf of the dedicated medical professionals delivering care to orthopedic patients, which includes our most vulnerable senior citizens, at KBRH, we extend our gratitude for consideration of funding for this transformative initiative. Your support will undoubtedly make a profound impact on the well-being and quality of care for individuals in our communities.

Sincerely,

Cindy Ferguson
Manager of Clinical Operations OR, ACU, MDR & Surgical Services
Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital

City of Nelson Addendum to CBT-ReDi Grant Application 2024: Orthopedic Enhancement Project

The Orthopedic Enhancement Project is a regional initiative that positively impacts Nelson's Path to Sustainability Strategy Goals and Objectives in the priority areas of: Prosperity and Resiliency, and the Focus Areas of Healthy Living & Social Well-Being and Economy.

The majority of funding for the Orthopedic Enhancement Project will be derived from the Regional District of Kootenay Boundary, including support from residents (individuals and families), auxiliaries, corporations, and municipalities throughout Trail, Warfield, Rossland, the Beaver Valley and the Electoral Areas A & B. Funding has been requested from the RDKB CBT-ReDi program totalling \$42,500. For proportional funding requests within the RDCK, please see the full CBT-ReDi submission documents. Every area/municipality in the RDKB and RDCK has been asked for funding support through the ReDi Grant process.

\$430,000.00 in community donations have been raised to date for the Orthopedic Enhancement Project. Fundraising for this project commenced September 2023 and is expected to conclude by December 2024.

Prosperity & Resiliency:

- The Orthopedic Enhancement Project supports existing healthcare infrastructure and personnel. Interior Health employs over 600 employees within our areas. Nelson residents that require orthopedic care will benefit from this project. KBRH is the regional service hub for orthopedic surgery and trauma services in the Kootenay Boundary and provides over 1,700 scheduled and emergency orthopedic surgeries annually. Ensuring that KBRH can provide orthopedic surgeries closer to home, rather than travelling outside of our region, for Nelson residents meets the City of Nelson's goal to ensure healthy and affordable lifestyles for their residents.
- Our hospitals (KBRH and KLH) play an important leadership role in maintaining regional hospital services. This role includes providing our citizens with the best healthcare possible and thus investment in this existing healthcare model is imperative. Our citizens expect a high level of healthcare provision and it is our responsibility to facilitate an improved level of health care whenever possible, which will benefit all residents across the West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District.
- Economic security and meaningful employment are benefits that can be derived from improvements in our regional healthcare system. As our facilities are improved, through capital projects and expansion of services, the importance of our healthcare system when considering regional referral services also increases.
- When we expand services to include cutting edge, state of the art services, it also supports staff and specialist recruitment and retention.
- The medical equipment purchases requested in this grant will provide the Orthopedic Surgeons with the critical equipment necessary to continue their excellent work providing hip and knee replacement; hip, knee, ankle, shoulder, hand and wrist repair; and trauma surgeries. As well, two new procedures will be introduced including total ankle replacements - currently patients are travelling to Kelowna or Vancouver for this procedure and one-day hip and knee replacements - ensuring patients can heal in the comfort of their homes, sooner, when possible.

Please see the grant application itself for full details on the Orthopedic Enhancement Project.

Healthy Living & Social Well-Being and Local Economy:

- Supporting our healthcare system and improving our access to advanced healthcare strengthens our social and economic systems, and will benefit the entire West Kootenay Boundary Regional Hospital District during challenging times.
- Maintaining our current hospital system provides stable employment opportunities for many citizens and is an important economic driver for our communities.
- In times of healthcare treatment and crisis, it is beneficial for our citizens to receive care locally and to have the fullest array of services available in our local communities. The benefits include: patients remain closer to home and receive a greater level of support from their friends and family; intergenerational connections will be maintained; patients employment will not be jeopardized through required absences from work while they travel out of area for medical care if treatment is not provided locally; and reduced cost of travel for patients who would typically be referred to larger city centres to receive care often requiring extended stays and the expense of accommodations, meals, etc., further increasing the burden on rural families.

We **thank you** for considering a contribution for the Orthopedic Enhancement Project through the RDCK CBT-ReDi Program. We appreciate contributions of any value. Your participation will enhance healthcare and maintain good health for all those who choose to live and work in the City of Nelson and surrounding areas.

Sincerely,



Lisa Pasin
Executive Director
KBRH Health Foundation

Organization **Creston Valley Music Teachers Association**

Registration # 86813 1913 RR0001
1511 Scott Street, Creston BC V0B 1G5

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable - Creston Festival of the Arts 2025

Project Title **Creston Festival of the Arts 2025**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston
The festival will take place at the Erickson Covenant Church and the Kootenay River School Auditorium

Importance to the community:

The students benefit. Their passion for music is enhanced and supported. The teachers, families and friends also benefit by being able to support the students and celebrate their achievements.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 3/5/2025 Project End: 3/9/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$200.00	\$400.00	\$400.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/ Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$1,200.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$2,200.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$2,200.00	\$4,300.00	\$4,300.00

1. The project will provide:

Project: Creston Festival of the Arts 2025

This is an adjudicated music festival. The adjudicator will work with the students to further their musical abilities and appreciation. The success is the achievements of the students. The encouragement and mentorship of the music students is an invaluable resource for our students and teachers.

2. Organization Mandate:

The Creston Festival of the Arts operates under the auspices of the Creston Valley Music Teachers' Association. Our goal is to encourage and promote musical education and advance public understanding and appreciation of the performing arts as a beneficial aspect of community life.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

The students benefit. Their passion for music is enhanced and supported. The teachers, families and friends also benefit by being able to support the students and celebrate their achievements.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

The cost of the adjudicator can be daunting. With grants and community donations we should be able to meet our goals. The return on our investment is the educational achievements of our students.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

No other organization is suited to carry out this program

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Creston Valley Music Teachers and the Creston Festival of the Arts Committee.

8. Minors will be working on this project: No

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : Yes

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

No

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

Organization **Health Arts Society**

Registration # 81014 0749 RR0001
1254 West 7th Avenue, Vancouver B.C. V6H 1B6

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **Concerts in Care**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, RDCK Area D, RDCK Area E, RDCK Area F, RDCK Area H, RDCK Area I, RDCK Area J, City of Nelson, Town of Creston, City of Castlegar
Concerts will take place in ten RDCK care homes and senior centres located in Nelson, Castlegar, Creston and Kaslo.

Importance to the community:

This project is specifically dedicated to improving the quality of life for elders living in care in the RDCK. Concerts in Care offer residents a sense of participating in ordinary life and provide them the opportunity to be respected and valued audience members. This application is for funding towards the delivery of 70 in person Concerts in Care, which will address an audience of approximately 3000 and will offer 170 performer opportunities for the Kootenays community of professional artists. Local seniors, staff, and resident families will all enjoy the performances. Local professional musicians will benefit from the connection with this audience as well as the additional performance income.

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 8/1/2024 Project End: 5/31/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$950.00	\$950.00	\$500.00	\$950.00	\$900.00
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
\$950.00	\$950.00		\$500.00	\$950.00
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
\$1,400.00				
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
	\$2,250.00	\$2,250.00	\$3,500.00	
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$17,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$17,000.00	\$50,500.00	\$50,500.00

1. The project will provide:

Concerts in Care is a Senior's Quality of Life program that offers a series of professional concerts performed primarily by Kootenay based musicians for residents of long-term care facilities. Ten concerts will be delivered at each of the homes, totalling 70 concerts for the series. All concerts will follow strict guidelines set by local health authorities.

2. Organization Mandate:

Health Arts Society (est. 2006) is a registered charity delivering the work of professional musicians to audiences isolated in care and has, to date, delivered over 24,000 forty-five-minute daytime concerts throughout British Columbia. The Society's work is dedicated to the idea that no real community can exist without elders, and addresses the need for quality of life initiatives for this underserved and sometimes forgotten population. Concerts in Care offer elders and others living in care a sense of participating in ordinary life and provides them the opportunity to be respected and valued audience members.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

This project is specifically dedicated to improving the quality of life for elders living in care in the RDCK. Concerts in Care offer residents a sense of participating in ordinary life and provide them the opportunity to be respected and valued audience members. This application is for funding towards the delivery of 70 in person Concerts in Care, which will address an audience of approximately 3000 and will offer 170 performer opportunities for the Kootenays community of professional artists. Local seniors, staff, and resident families will all enjoy the performances. Local professional musicians will benefit from the connection with this audience as well as the additional performance income.

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

There are no mandated standards for providing quality of life programs for people living in chronic care residences, nor do budgets generally allow for regular high-quality arts programming. Projects such as Concerts in Care help connect these isolated audiences with the performance community. People in long-term isolation are in need of stimulation, yet many of them will be unable to access live music or theatre arts for the rest of their lives. These concerts offer seniors a sense of participating in ordinary life. More than ever, during this extended period of isolation, we are hearing that seniors are in need of comfort and connection and have greatly missed our in house concert program.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

The innovative Concerts in Care program, unique in Canada, was created in 2006 in response to the broadly understood isolation experienced by elders in care. Concerts in Care connect health care residents, their families and health care staff with professional members of the arts community. Only by reason of frailty are those isolated in care unable to travel to public concert venues. Health Arts Society has been delivering concerts in the Kootenays region since 2009, to enthusiastic responses from audiences and health care staff. Over 1300 concerts have been presented in the RDCK over the last several years and the excellent reception to the program is most encouraging for its continuation.

Please see www.healtharts.org for further information

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

The Kootenay Chapter Coordinator, Nicola Everton, is responsible for recruiting local and touring musicians and scheduling performances around the RDCK. A series of monthly concerts will be scheduled over ten months .at each

Project: Concerts in Care

of the venues beginning in August 2024 and ending in May 2025. Feedback evaluation forms and personal feedback from performers, staff and residents help to fine-tune the program.

- 8. Minors will be working on this project:** No
- 9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers:** No
- 10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: :** Yes
- 11. In-kind sources and contributions:**
- 12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:**

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.

From: cvcc-recreation@chantellegroup.com
To: "[Raymond Aucoin](#)"
Subject: RE: Concerts in Care Online - your access info
Date: Tuesday, January 23, 2024 1:58:18 PM

To Whom it May Concern

Castlevue Care Centre wanted to thank you for the amazing concert performed. Concerts in Care is always a lovely and well put together performance that makes everything run smoothly for staff and residents in the facility. Our residents always appreciate Concerts in Care coming in and they enjoy the performance as well as the social interaction of seeing the performers. The performance is always talked about with staff and residents after about how well done it was. We at Castlevue Care Centre would like to see many more Concerts in Care performances in the future and look forward to it.

Best Regards,

The Recreation Team
Castlevue Care Centre
2300-14th Avenue
Castlegar, B.C. V1N 4A6
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Fax- 250-365-3291





Mountain Lake Seniors Community
908 Eleventh Street
Nelson, B.C. V1L 7A6
Phone: 250 352 2600 Fax: 250 352 2620
www.parkplaceseniorsliving.com



February 5, 2024

To Whom it May Concern,

This letter is in support of the Concerts in Care provided by the Health Arts Society at Mountain Lake Seniors Community. The residents of Mountain Lake have been enjoying Concerts in Care for a number of years and continue to benefit greatly from the talented musicians who perform at our home on a monthly basis.

Each month we are provided a poster advertising the upcoming performance, which allows us to look forward to the event and plan for specific residents to be in attendance, who we know will appreciate and benefit from the musical genre/instruments involved.

The quality of musicians and the performances they share are of such a high standard and we feel so fortunate to share these performances with our residents who are no longer able to make it to our local theatre or venues. With Nelson being an "arts" town, we have many residents living in our home who have been musicians themselves and/or have enjoyed local musical performances before moving into care, and the fact that they are still able to enjoy such high-quality shows from highly talented musicians is a great treat; keeping them connected to their local community and providing enriching and meaningful opportunities that they can share with loved ones.

We are grateful to and appreciate the Health Arts Society for bringing this program to our residents and our home and hope we can continue this relationship for the future.

Thank you,

Sandra Grochowich
Life Enrichment Coordinator
Mountain Lake Seniors Community
(250)352-2600 ext.23

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February 5, 2024

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you this letter on behalf of Concerts in Care to show my support. I believe the programme is deserving of the funding because it provides the need for high quality, live, professional arts programmes for elders in residential care including our residents here at Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo - Long Term Care. Our residents love each performances and they are always looking forward every month to see and hear these professional musicians. The smiles and joy that they bring to our residents are precious and greatly appreciated.

For these reasons, I hope you consider their application for funding. If you have any questions feel free to reach me at 250-353-2731.

Thank you,

Mary Ricablanca

Recreation Coordinator

Victorian Community Health Centre of Kaslo

Health Arts Society-Concerts in Care
 CBT ReDi Grant Application February 10, 2024
 Attachment 1

Alignment with City of Nelson planning documents

Document	Focus Area & Objective	Health Arts Society
Path to 2040	<p>Arts, Culture and Heritage</p> <p>ACH1: Promote artistic and cultural expression and celebration in the community to help support a vibrant centre and identity.</p> <p>ACH2: Preserve and celebrate the authenticity and heritage of our community</p>	<p>Enriches community life in Nelson by creating opportunities for small musical performances. Supports Nelson's reputation as a cultural centre.</p> <p>Encourages artists to participate in Nelson's cultural sector; providing a conduit between the arts community and seniors in care. Assists professional musicians to remain living in Nelson by providing opportunities for employment.</p>
	<p>Local Economy</p> <p>LE4: Focus economic development and stimulus where it contributes to community values, including a vibrant downtown and waterfront and meaningful employment opportunities that support healthy lifestyles.</p>	<p>Identified a gap in type of musical performances. Creates employment opportunities for local professional musicians.</p>
	<p>Healthy Living and Social Well-being</p> <p>HLSW2: Foster an inclusive & respectful community where all citizens have opportunities for meaningful participation in social, cultural, economic and environmental aspects of the City.</p>	<p>Seniors living in long-term care suffer isolation as they are no longer able to access live music or theatre. These events offer residents a sense of participating in ordinary life and a feeling of inclusion.</p>
Comprehensive Cultural Policy	<p>Value Statement 5.2.1: Our authentic identity as a community with well-preserved and abundant heritage architecture, and professional and practising artists.</p>	<p>Health Arts Society-Concerts in Care increases performance opportunities for local professional musicians who struggle to make a living and often have to travel out of town to perform.</p>

	5.2.3: The cultural sector's ability to contribute to the community's identity.	We are providing cultural events of a type currently not often found (chamber music and similar small ensembles) which enhances Nelson's identity as an arts community.
	5.2.5 Collaboration both within the cultural sector and with all sectors of Nelson's and the regional economy.	We are working with other musical organizations in Nelson such as Nelson Overture Concerts and Selkirk Pro-Musica. to coordinate evening performances in Nelson as well as the communities of, Castlegar, and Kaslo to maximize performance opportunities for artists.
	5.2.9: Professionalism and best practices in the cultural sector.	Only professional musicians perform concerts in Care programs. It is our goal to bring high quality music to seniors isolated in care.
	5.2.10: Innovation within the cultural sector.	Concerts in Care concerts are unique in that they provide professional level performances for seniors in care. Most public health authorities do not have mandated standards or budgets for these types of concerts..

From: "Kate Hansen" <khansen@glm.ca>
Subject: RE: Concerts in Care - Health Arts Society
Date: February 23, 2019 at 1:30:10 PM PST
To: "Nicola Everton" <nicola@healtharts.org>

Crest View Village looks forward to Concerts in care every month! Residents faces light up, and their toes are tapping. They enjoy the amazing music from a variety of styles and Genres that are brought to us.

Concerts in Care is something special for residents to look forward to and that we are privileged enough to experience.

Thank you for supporting Concerts in care and making it available to us.

Crest View Village

Kate Hansen

Recreation

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800 Cavell St Creston, BC V0B 1G4

Organization **Creston Valley Blossom Festival Association**

Registration # S-0005901

PO Box 329, Creston BC V0B 1G0

Name of Organization being sponsored if applicable -

Project Title **84th Annual Creston Valley Blossom Festival**

Project will be located in: RDCK Area A, RDCK Area B, RDCK Area C, Town of Creston

Various locations within the Creston Valley, which includes Wynndel, Lister, Canyon, Erickson, Creston and the East Shore (artisans). Organizers continue to seek out events or entertainment that can be held in the Crawford Bay, Riondel, Yahk, West Creston areas. This is difficult but promotion of the Wildlife Centre, East Shore artisans, wineries, etc. is done through Blossom Festival advertising and social media. Residents from all areas come in to Creston to take part in the Festival and especially when the midway is here.

Importance to the community:

Brings together the communities in the Valley (includes the East Shore) as a whole. Local businesses are very supportive of the Festival and in turn, find that the traffic through their businesses increases during the Festival. Although the businesses, etc. benefit financially, the local residents and visitors benefit the most by having some place to go that is affordable and the whole family can participate. The Festival is the start of the spring/summer season!

Work Plan Dates: Project Start: 5/16/2025 Project End: 5/19/2025

RDCK ReDi FUNDING REQUESTS				
Area A	Area B	Area C	Area D/Kaslo	Area D/Lardeau Valley
\$4,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$8,000.00		
Area E	Area F	Area G/Salmo	Area H	Area I
Area J	Area K – Arrow Park	Area K – Bayview/Nakusp/Rural Nakusp	Area K – Burton	Area K – Edgewood
Area K – Fauquier	City of Castlegar	Town of Creston	City of Nelson	Village of New Denver
		\$14,000.00		
Village of Silverton	Village of Slocan			
			TOTAL ReDi FUNDING REQUESTED FOR THIS PROJECT	\$34,000.00

Total ReDi Funding Requested	Total from Other Sources	Total Project Cash Budget
\$34,000.00	\$43,000.00	\$43,000.00

1. The project will provide:

Festival provides family events and activities for all age groups. A homecoming to former residents who historically return for the long weekend. Festival is organized by volunteers, many of which are youth and seniors, this instills leadership qualities and good values in the local youth. The objective is to offer as many 'free' or 'affordable' events as possible, such as the Teen Dance, Games, Kidapalooza (for very young children), Children's parade and picnic, Scavenger Hunts, Street Fair, Cowboy Challenge (equestrian) a free luncheon, and more. We promote local residents and visitors to also visit the artisans, etc. from Wynndel to Riondel. A Citizen and Jr. Citizen of the Creston Valley are one of our Opening Ceremony highlights. Funding for the Festival is through grants, sponsorships, donations and ticket sales.

2. Organization Mandate:

To provide an annual Festival with safe, family oriented free (or affordable) events for all age groups and income levels for residents and visitors to the Creston Valley area (from Yahk to Riondel). To bring together local businesses, organizations and local governments, working together to generate the economy of the area. This Festival has been historically known as the 'homecoming' weekend in the Valley.

3. Community objectives the project will work towards are:

Brings together the communities in the Valley (includes the East Shore) as a whole. Local businesses are very supportive of the Festival and in turn, find that the traffic through their businesses increases during the Festival. Although the businesses, etc. benefit financially, the local residents and visitors benefit the most by having some place to go that is affordable and the whole family can participate. The Festival is the start of the spring/summer season!

4. Project will address issues or opportunities pertaining to:

There is a need for affordable, healthy family entertainment in the Valley. Teens/children need a place to go, free of electronic devices and to bring them together is a safe environment. Building teamwork and teaching values and leadership skills to youth by involving them in the planning of events. Provides opportunity for local entertainers and vendors to display their talents and products for sale. Economic opportunities for local businesses (motels/hotels/restaurants/artisans, wineries) - encourage shopping local. Reports from the local Chamber of Commerce, Visitor's Centre and businesses are all positive and supportive of the Festival and have provided feedback that the Festival is an economic generator for them.

5. This organization is best to provide this project to the community because:

We are entering our 84th year in 2025, proof of its longevity, sustainability and popularity. Our volunteers are a committed group of individuals who do not want to see this Festival 'die', and local non-profit organizations that participate also support the annual Festival.

6. Partners involved in this project have been consulted: True

7. Partners involved in implementing this project:

Volunteers of the CV Blossom Festival Association, Creston Lions Club, Rotary Clubs, Knights of Columbus, Creston Valley Cruisers, Creston Valley Youth Network, Creston Valley Early Years, Creston Valley Little League, and more.

8. Minors will be working on this project: Yes

9. Project will be 100% completed by volunteers: Yes

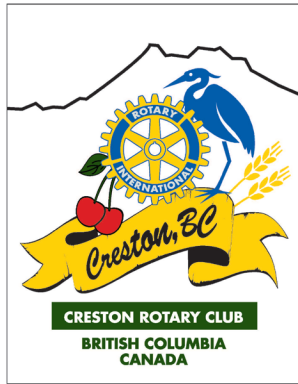
10. Is the project viable without ReDi funding support: : No

11. In-kind sources and contributions:

Volunteer time, food, condiments, prize donations, etc. from local businesses and organizations.

12. Supporting documents below, if submitted:

Organizations are also asked to present copies of supporting documents at community engagement meetings.



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To whom it may concern

As President of the Rotary Club of Creston and as a long-time Creston resident I wish to emphasize the importance of this event to our community.

Blossom Festival is the premier event of the year for Creston. With its traditional Victoria Day long weekend date in May it is a homecoming event, attracting many former residents to return to visit family and friends. It brings in visitors who want to enjoy the attractions of the Blossom Fest and enjoy the valley's natural attractions (including blossoms, of course). For visitors and residents alike it is a celebration of the spring and the promises of summer in a small town in a beautiful valley.

Our Rotary Club supports the Blossom Festival by marshalling the parade and manning the barricades along the parade route. We get to feel the excitement in the air and see the smiles on the faces of both participants and spectators.

I know that increasing costs and tight budgets are an ongoing issue for the Blossom Festival Committee. I urge your organization to financially support the event to the fullest extent of your capacity to do so. It is money well spent.

Yours truly,

Don Low, President
Rotary Club of Creston



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To Whom It May Concern

Re: Application for C.I.P. Grant by Creston Valley Blossom Festival Committee

The Creston Lions Club fully supports the application being submitted for C.I.P. Grant funding by the Creston Valley Blossom Festival Committee.

The Blossom Festival was first organized by the Creston Lions Club about 1940 and our Members have been involved since inception. This weekend of events for the whole family draws visitors from all over the Kootenays and beyond and is an economic stimulator for our businesses and various non profits.

The Blossom Festival Committee is a dedicated group of VOLUNTEERS in an age where people seem less and less motivated to get involved. These volunteers deserve all the support we can give them.

We thank you for your continued support.

Yours truly,

Ken Sommerfeld
Treasurer
Creston Lions Club