



# REGIONAL DISTRICT OF CENTRAL KOOTENAY MEDIA RELEASE

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## Creston Valley Rotary Club donates \$20,000 to RDCK

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Nelson, BC: The Creston Valley Rotary Club donated \$20,000 to the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) to put towards the new outdoor park at the Creston & District Community Complex (CDCC). This significant and generous donation will fund the final steps of construction of the new Creston Community Park; specifically the installation of new amenities that overlook the park, the complex, and the Creston Valley.

“We are very grateful for the contribution the Creston Valley Rotary Club has made to this project,” said Tia Wayling, Recreation Coordinator, CDCC. “The funds allow us to put the final touches on the park, including adding new benches and interpretive plaques. This partnership is another example of how well this community comes together to create beautiful spaces for all to enjoy. Once gatherings are allowed, we look forward to celebrating the opening of the park with our community and show appreciation to all those involved.”

The Creston Community Park is located at the top of the CDCC and accessible directly off 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The funds will go towards the installation of a two tiered seating area fitted with benches and railings to provide panoramic views of the CDCC facilities and the Creston Valley. Part of the donation also includes funds towards interpretive plaques which will recognize the history of the property and valley, as well as geographical landmarks.

“The Creston Valley Rotary Club is proud to be a part of this exciting and wonderful community project,” said David Handy, President, Creston Valley Rotary Club. “We look forward to watching this facility as it is used and enjoyed by residents and visitors to the Creston Valley and the CDCC.”

The Creston Community Park includes pickleball, basketball and volleyball courts, skatepark, horseshoe pits, playground, accessible pathways and a viewpoint overlooking the valley. Construction of the Creston Community Park originally started in April 2018 and will be completed for a total cost of \$3.95 million. Funding was provided by the Government of Canada through the Gas Tax Fund, Columbia Basin Trust through their Recreation Infrastructure Program, and the RDCK.

For more information please go to [www.rdck.ca/recreation](http://www.rdck.ca/recreation).

*Incorporated in 1965, the Regional District of Central Kootenay (RDCK) is a local government that serves 60,000 residents in 11 electoral areas and nine member municipalities. The RDCK provides more than 160 services, including community facilities, fire protection and emergency services, grants, planning and land*

*use, regional parks, resource recovery and handling, transit, water services and much more. For more information about the RDCK, visit [www.rdck.ca](http://www.rdck.ca).*

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