



REGIONAL DISTRICT of Fraser-Fort George

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REPORT FOR CONSIDERATION

TO: Chair and Directors

FROM: Cindy Paton, Manager of Community Services

DATE: February 6, 2025

SUBJECT: Grants: Electoral Area E (Woodpecker-Hixon)

SUMMARY: Purpose: Grant Approval
Attachments:
1. Grant Schedule
2. Grant Applications
Previous Reports: None

File No.: COM 8.4, REC 2.4

RECOMMENDATION(S):

1. THAT the report dated February 6, 2025, Grant Schedule and associated grant application forms for Electoral Area E be received for information.
2. THAT the Grants for Electoral Area E, as listed in the February Grant Schedule, as attached to the report dated February 6, 2025 be approved.

ENTITLEMENT	HOW VOTE COUNTED
All 1 Director/1 vote	Majority
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ISSUE(S):

The February Grant Schedule details the requests received for Community Grants-In-Aid and a Recreation Grants for Electoral Area E (Woodpecker-Hixon). Grants have been requested by the organization(s) listed on the February Grant Schedule. The Board is being asked to consider approving the February Grant Schedule.

RELEVANT POLICIES:

1. Policy RD-16-20 - Community Grants-In-Aid:
 - provides financial assistance to community groups or organizations for the purpose of benefiting the community.
2. Policy RD-19-20 - Recreation Grants:
 - provides financial assistance to Recreation Commissions for recreation programs, services and facilities including educational, cultural, social and athletic activities, and insurance expenses.
3. Fraser-Fort George Recreational Program Establishment Bylaw No. 2088, 2003:
 - bylaw that allows for the provision of recreational services.

STRATEGIC PRIORITIES ALIGNMENT:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous and Intergovernmental Partnerships | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Strength and Adaptability | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Quality Community Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Stewardship and Climate Action |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Awareness and Engagement | <input type="checkbox"/> Statutory or Routine Business | | |

SERVICE RELEVANCE:

The Regional District’s current Community Grants-In-Aid program derives its authority from the *Local Government Act*. The purpose of these functions is to provide financial assistance to community groups or organizations which, in the opinion of the Regional District, provide a benefit to the community.

The Recreation function was established in 1975 to assist community associations in electoral areas to provide recreation within their program boundaries. The current participants in the Recreation service are Electoral Areas A, C, D, E, and F. In 2005, the Fraser-Fort George Recreational Program Establishment Bylaw was amended by Bylaw No. 2203 which altered the funding formula to each electoral area to fund its own programs exclusively.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION(S):

The 2025 budgets for Community Grants-In-Aid Electoral Area E and Recreation Grants Electoral Area E would support these expenditures.

OTHER CONSIDERATION(S):

If the Board does not wish to provide one or more of the grants listed, a motion to amend the Schedule prior to voting on approval of the Schedule would be in order.

DECISION OPTIONS:

- 1. Approve recommendations:
 - grants will be provided per the schedule

Other Options:

- a. do not approve February Grant Schedule
 - organization(s) do(es) not receive funding

COMMENTS:

These grant requests meet the requirements of Community Grants-In-Aid Policy RD-16-20 and Recreation Grants Policy RD-19-20.

Respectfully submitted,

“Cindy Paton”

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Manager of Community Services

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