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# **Request for Council Decision**

**District of Lake Country** 

MEETING TYPE: Regular Council Meeting MEETING DATE: September 5, 2023

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**DEPARTMENT:** Corporate Services

ITEM TITLE: Grant in Aid Application GIA2023-005

**DESCRIPTION:** Request for funds to support Lake Country Food Assistance Society

## **QUESTION**

Does Council wish to support a grant in aid application from the Lake Country Food Assistance Society (Food Bank) in the amount of \$1,000 to support the costs of hosting a special event for volunteers that took place on August 24, 2023?

#### **OPTIONS**

- A. THAT the grant-in-aid request from the Lake Country Food Assistance Society in the amount of \$1,000 to assist with funding a special event for volunteers, be approved.
- B. THAT the grant-in-aid request from the Lake Country Food Assistance Society in an amount specified by Council to assist with funding a special event for volunteers, be approved.
- C. THAT the grant-in-aid request from the Lake Country Food Assistance Society in the amount of \$1,000 to assist with funding a special event for volunteers, not be approved.

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The grant in aid application is before Council is subsequent to the special event date. The applicant has indicated the requested funds will assist with costs even though the event has already taken place.

Council has an annual grant-in-aid budget (Grants to Community Organizations) of \$7,000. Funds are allocated to recipients with standing resolutions for annual grants first, and then on a first come, first serve basis. Annual recipients receive approximately \$2000 each year leaving approximately \$5,000 for distribution.

ANNUAL GRANT IN AID RECIPIENTS	2021	RESOLUTION
GESS Dry Grad	\$500	07.05.235
Rotary Fundraiser Facility Rental (varies each year)	\$331	08.11.506
Oyama Fun Days	\$500	10.05.226
Lake Country Native Association (LCNA) Pow Wow	\$500	05.05.198
TOTAL	\$1831	

#### **KEY INFORMATION**

Grant-in-Aid Policy 175, 2019 (Attached) establishes guidelines for grants provided by the District. Several of the key principles and eligibility requirements include:

- Council may not provide any form of assistance to a business.
- Council, at its discretion, may provide grants to groups or organizations that Council considers enhance or contribute to the projects, residents or facilities of Lake Country.
- Council may consider applications that do not adhere to this policy but have merit in terms of community value and involvement.
- Receipt of a grant does not guarantee funding in the future.

- applications for grants-in-aid over \$1,000 must be from a Registered Organization with proof of registration.
- There is approximately \$900 remaining in the grant in aid budget.

YEAR	GRANT IN AID	AMOUNT	RESOLUTION
2021	Brain Trust Helmet Safety Program	\$2,000	21.04.061
2021	GESS Leadership Department outdoor rock circle classroom	\$1,500	21.04.061
2021	Lake Country Community Fridge	\$2,000	21.01.168
2022	Lake Country Community Fridge	\$2,000	2022-05-092
2023	ADCC Canada Open tournament (Burton and Gregor)	\$600	2023-04-067
2023	Team Kees Taekwondo	\$1,000	2023-03-059
2023	Lake Country Community Fridge	\$2,000	2023-06-122
2023	Lake Country Parents Advisory Committee (PAC) (School of Dance)	\$1,000	2023-06-122

## **DESIRED BENEFIT**

Grants-in-aid are intended to be used to fund a program, short term undertakings with a completion date or an event with a start and finish date (may be an annual event).

#### APPLICABLE LEGISLATION AND POLICIES

- Grant-in-Aid Policy 175, 2019 establishes categories, eligibility requirements, application criteria and reporting back requirements for grant funding.
- Section 8 of the Community Charter, Fundamental Powers sets out that a municipality has the right to provide assistance except to a business. Business is any undertaking, professional, personal or other services for the purpose of gain or profit.

Respectfully Submitted, Reyna Seabrook, Director of Corporate Services

# **Report Approval Details**

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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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