



Community Grants Spring 2018

Engage Citizens

supports initiative that:

- Enhance the ways that volunteers participate in a charity's work
- Create new opportunities for community problem solving
- Develop, test or enhance initiatives that focus on the meaningful participation of marginalized populations

Aboriginal Friendship Centre of Calgary: Indigenous Hub @ Cross Roads Centre

Create an Indigenous Hub of services and supports contained within a singular multi-functional Centre- The Indigenous Hub @ Crossroads Centre.

Grant Amount: \$150,000

Alberta Council for Environmental Education (ACEE): Bringing climate education and action to students, by building bridges over barriers

ACEE is designing a program that attempts to overcome barriers that stand between students and climate change education and action. They hope to connect this topic to Indigenous education and renewable energy, sharing the narratives that galvanize students and teachers, engage parents, and spur action by school boards.

Grant Amount: \$39,600

Boys and Girls Club of Cochrane and Area: The CLUB

The Boys and Girls Club of Cochrane is looking to enhance and expand their services and programs for local teens and youth by opening a new space called The CLUB. This will be unique in the community as it will be the only space of its kind serving Cochrane and area teens.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Active Healthy Kids Canada: Indigenous Youth Mentorship Program in Stoney Education Authority

The aim of this initiative is to work with Stoney Education Authority and the Stoney Nakoda Youth Council to provide opportunities for youth in four schools with mentorship opportunities around arts, active living and recreation.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Alberta Riparian Habitat Management Society (known as Cows and Fish): Putting Beavers to Work 2.0

Partner with Miistakis Institute to work with landowners and municipalities to enhance beaver coexistence & increase awareness about their benefits to our landscapes focussing on using beaver to increase the natural resiliency of watersheds as beaver dams store, clean and slowly release water.

Grant Amount: \$85,000

Canadian Institute of Natural & Integrative Medicine: Inner Access - adult mental wellness e-health program

To create an innovative, evidence-based, e-mental health program to alleviate negative stress. Available as a mobile app using virtual reality, Inner Access will be educational and include practical tools designed to improve and maintain overall health and well-being of individuals aged 25-45.

Grant Amount: \$90,000



Carya Society of Calgary: carya ART space

As part of Carya's multi-generational hub, Carya is looking to develop a portion of the space into a designated art space that would offer; artistic programs for individuals across the lifespan; open studio space for neighbourhood residents, and; space for resident-led art projects.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Cerebral Palsy Association in Alberta: Calgary Ability Network Community of Practice (CoP)

To better the lives of persons with disabilities, the CAN CoP strives to build community capacity by providing networking and learning opportunities to its members and the broader community.

Grant Amount: \$44,944

Diamond Valley and District Boys and Girls Clubs: Witty Mixed Teens

Diamond Valley and District Boys and Girls Club (renamed Boys and Girls Clubs of the Foothills) will create a central hub for all youth in High River and surrounding area. They feel they are in the best position to provide youth with the space and programs to effectively improve their lives.

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Action Dignity: Reaching Out, Acting Together for Equity and Diversity

Action Dignity aims to adjust its organizational framework to act as shared platform for boosting joint initiatives across communities. It will broadly communicate its new brand to the public, plan and implement formal platform functions and transition to a more effective collaborative for equity.

Grant Amount: \$150,000

Centre for Newcomers Society of Calgary: Indigenous and Newcomer Community Kitchen and Community Dialogue Project

This initiative contributes to bridging the knowledge gap that exists among newcomers of Calgary's Indigenous Peoples. It also seeks to forge stronger, better relationship between Newcomers and Canada's First Nations Peoples and their communities through community dialogues and kitchen interactions

Grant Amount: \$95,820

CIVIX: Enhancing Student Vote in Calgary

CIVIX will enhance participation in the Student Vote program among Calgary schools through capacity building events for teachers, a purposeful focus on news literacy and new teaching materials and tools.

Grant Amount: \$90,000

Downstage Performance Society (The): Theatrical Skills for Social Impact

This is a multi-year pilot project to assist Downstage to learn how to lend theatre skills to not-for-profits seeking a deep community impact. The initiative will strengthen Downstage capacity to work with community partners and equip Downstage with a framework upon which ongoing programming can be built.

Grant Amount: \$78,875

Health Arts Society of Alberta: Concerts in Care

Health Arts Society of Alberta would like to increase the number of free concerts in Calgary to elders in care by 100 in 2018-2019, reaching an additional 5,000 elders. This activity will allow Health Arts to apply for AGLC funding as well as give a strong case for support to private, individual and corporate funders in the province.

Grant Amount: \$30,000



Legacy Place Society: Mental Health Preparedness for Individuals & Families of First Responders & Military Personnel

To equip individuals, peer support and key family members with specific mental health instruction including mental health first aid, psychological first aid, suicide awareness and mindfulness training. Training aims to create a stronger understanding of signs, symptoms and response actions, should individuals start to suffer.

Grant Amount: \$60,000

Mustard Seed Foundation (The): The Mustard Seed's Neighbour Centre Initiative

The Neighbour Centre initiative will set up physical, permanent spaces in at-risk communities across Calgary to provide preventative services and community support. This initiative allows Mustard Seed to have a role in empowering community members experiencing poverty to become active citizens in their city.

Grant Amount: \$75,000

Pembina Foundation for Environmental Research and Education (The): The Alberta Energy Narrative Project: building community skills and more effective communications

This initiative aims to increase the capacity of organizations to deliver effective energy communications built on the identity and values of Albertans. The collaborative model provides training to conduct professional-quality research, which will build capacity beyond this project. Results will be shared widely.

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Missing Children Society of Canada: Protecting Calgary and First Nations Children

Missing Children Society, in partnership with Tsuu T'ina Nation Police Service, Calgary Police Service and the community of Tsuu T'ina Nation, will utilize their reactive and proactive safety technology to protect vulnerable Indigenous children and youth.

Grant Amount: \$100,000

Neil Squire Society: Makers Making Change

Makers Making Change is a new initiative that connects makers to people with disabilities who need assistive technologies. "Makers" (engineers / STEM students / tinkerers in their community) leverage open source hardware projects, engage with disability professionals, and create access solutions.

Grant Amount: \$70,000

Priddis Community Association: Priddis Multi-Purpose Building

A new structure west of the hockey rink will provide change rooms, washrooms and viewing space for Priddis Panthers players, parents, spectators and volunteers. The existing Priddis Hall is at capacity and does not have room for change facilities.

Grant Amount: \$45,000



Rockies Institute (The): Co-Creating a Climate Resilient Initiative with the Piikani Nation

Co-Creating a Climate Resilient Initiative with the Piikani Nation through Climate Change Education Workshops, Train-the-Trainer programming and Community Engagement.

Grant Amount: \$26,500

Safe Haven Foundation of Canada (The): Haven's Way™ Alumni Program

An organized and formal Alumni Program to continue to serve girls once they graduate from Haven's Way™ homes. The program will provide a continued sense of belonging within a strong support system, ongoing programming, and case management to facilitate success.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

Sheldon Kennedy Child Advocacy Centre Ltd.: Volunteer Management Pilot Program

Sheldon Kennedy Child Advocacy centre will implement a comprehensive volunteer program to enhance SKCAC's ability to provide screened and suitable volunteers on an as-needed basis to key programs.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

Village of Longview: Longview Senior's Wheelchair Accessible Bus

To purchase and operate a wheelchair accessible bus to allow area seniors to attend doctors appointments, shop and travel to activities in other communities for recreation and entertainment.

Grant Amount: \$24,000

Rocky View School Division No. 41 - Fireside School: A Playground for All Kids - Fireside School

To provide an equitable, educational, safe, and fair play environment at Fireside School. Fireside's Playground for All Kids will serve all of Cochrane as an accessible recreation facility; a multi-generational play space where anyone can feel independent, smart, comfortable and active.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

Sagesse Domestic Violence Prevention Society: Stand By: Building Capacity to support Women of Affluence who experience domestic violence.

Women of affluence have a different experience of domestic violence. This initiative will provide training to service providers on the culture of affluence and for informal supporters to be able to recognize domestic violence, respond appropriately to disclosure and refer to supportive agencies.

Grant Amount: \$75,000

University of Calgary: The Attachment and Child Health (ATTACH) Program

The goal of this initiative is to engage with community agencies to scale-up the Attachment and Child Health (ATTACH) program to support and encourage mental health in more young families with preschoolers in Calgary. ATTACH is led by Dr. N. Letourneau of the Faculty of Nursing at University of Calgary.

Grant Amount: \$60,000

Vivo for Healthier Generations: Youth Strategy Phase I

Vivo will work with youth in to create a strategy leading to youth increasing their employability, community engagement, individual personal growth and establishing a youth hub at Vivo.

Grant Amount: \$50,000



Strengthen Charities

supports initiatives that:

- Conduct strategic activities that expand an Organization's reach, share experiences or sustain impact
- Evaluate the effectiveness of an organization, programs, or services
- Invest in tools, technology and specialized equipment that are essential for effective work or for meaningful community

Alberta Ballet Company: Set Assembly Kit

Alberta Ballet's 'Set Assembly Kit' introduces new efficiencies into the process of designing and building sets. Understanding each set piece as a combination of re-configurable components, Alberta Ballet will improve on the model of building individual set pieces for each production.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Calgary Catholic Immigration Society: Culturally Responsive Accommodations for Family Violence

Temporary accommodation space for Immigrant men involved in family violence, with 3 main goals: i) reduce access time for men to engage in culturally responsive services ii) decreased need for intervention from Children's Services iii) whole family wellness through healthy relationships.

Grant Amount: \$56,835

Calgary Sexual Health Centre Society: Innovation and Impact: Redefining our Brand, Look and Reach

To implement a strategic communications plan which includes re-branding the organization and developing tools to communicate their work and increase impact. The project involves hiring a communications specialist who will have clear deliverables and a sustainability plan.

Grant Amount: \$55,000

Alberta Ecotrust Foundation: Alberta Ecotrust 3.0

Alberta Ecotrust will undertake a model 'reboot' and create a modern narrative that encompasses their expanding role. This includes the development of a new platform that still includes corporations and ENGOs but also makes room for governments and engaged citizens – both as investors, participants and recipients of information. Our new environmental program framework will focus on four aspects of community: partnerships, investment, innovation and action.

Grant Amount: \$100,000

Calgary Counselling Centre: Building a Strategic Partnership to Transform Depression in Calgary

Calgary Counselling Centre will lead an initiative to build a strategic partnership to transform depression in Calgary by partnering with other local mental health agencies, funders and stakeholders.

Grant Amount: \$22,000

Camp Evergreen Mennonite Brethren Ministries, Sundre: Reaching Higher

To develop a fundraising strategy that will enable the organization to build a new kitchen/dining hall (lodge) and meet increasing demand for their services.

Grant Amount: \$25,000



Canadian Mental Health Association - Calgary Region: Centre for Excellence in Recovery and Peer Support: A new and innovative community learning centre

To pilot and prove a 'made in Canada model' of Recovery College that focuses on prevention and health promotion, increases access and capacity to serve more Albertans through integrated services, reducing stigma, and fostering connection, belonging and hope through a progressive learning experience.

Grant Amount: \$250,000

Disaster Aid Canada (Soap for Hope is a program of DAC): Soap for Hope - YYC

To provide hygiene products to non-profit organizations serving vulnerable people. To establish a sustainable program, Disaster Aid Canada signs hotels onto a paid program, collecting their used amenities and reusable items they discard. They reprocess, clean, and package Hygiene Kits to reduce garbage and help people in need.

Grant Amount: \$48,200

Knox United Church: Next 1100 Days

This grant will allow Knox to develop the lower level of their annex building, a space that their partner, Inn from the Cold is applying to use as a low-income subsidized child care centre. The renovation is Phase I of a comprehensive development plan.

Grant Amount: \$200,000

Clouds & Water Gallery and Visual Production Society o/a The New Gallery: Renew The New Gallery: Enhancing a Community Hub in the Historic Canton Block

The New Gallery (TNG) has negotiated a long-term lease in the Main Space in Chinatown. With a commitment of up to 10 years, it's time to renovate TNG into a top quality arts venue & community hub for presenting some of the most interesting and excellent contemporary art to Calgarians.

Grant Amount: \$76,860

Green Fools Theatre Society: Green Fools Theatre Circus School Feasibility Study and Business Plan

To create a Feasibility Study and a Business Plan based on a Social Enterprise model for a Social Circus Space to provide free programs for: at-risk, Indigenous, new immigrant, refugee, and underprivileged youth.

Grant Amount: \$30,000

Making Changes Employment Association of Alberta: Making Changes Brand Strategy Execution

The initiative will focus on the research, analysis, and strategic planning work required to develop a compelling brand story. Making Changes will strengthen community awareness, increase social and financial support and to help incorporate new initiatives into the foundation of the organization.

Grant Amount: \$30,040



Nature Conservancy of Canada: NCC Connect: Connecting Canadians to Nature through Public Access to NCC Properties

NCC seeks to expand and fully implement their pilot online property access management system, NCC Connect. This application facilitates public access to NCC properties across Alberta with the ultimate goal of connecting Canadians to nature, to NCC's work, and the importance of conserving wild spaces.

Grant Amount: \$36,000

NSTEP (Nutrition Students Teachers Exercising with Parents): NSTEP and Greater Forest Lawn Vista Heights schools as community hubs

NSTEP in collaboration with the Action for Healthy Kids Coalition (AHKC) will address the specific needs of families in the Greater Forest Lawn and Vista Heights (GFLVH) area.). Schools will be the physical site for delivery of these services to families, many whom are English Language Learners.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Parks Foundation Calgary: Business Development Plan - Building a sustainable future for Parks Foundation Calgary

Develop and implement a sustainable revenue strategy for Parks Foundation Calgary. Engage an external consultant to develop a Business Development Plan to be used as a roadmap for donor management and stakeholder communications, and to expand the organization's impact on communities.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Trickster Theatre Society: Story-writing Through Theatre - New Program Development

To work with 10 schools, including 2 FNMI, from five school boards in the Calgary area to pilot and evaluate a new Trickster Theatre program focused on training teachers in the use of theatre-based methods to support student storytelling and writing. The U of C may contribute to the evaluation.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Tsuu T'ina Nation: Tsuut'ina Food Bank

A new Tsuu T'ina Food Bank aims to end hunger on the Tsuu T'ina Nation while ensuring all Tsuu T'ina citizens have access to a nutritious diet.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

Variety-the Children's Charity of Alberta Association: Variety as Leader and Champion in Inclusive Play

To build Variety's ability to provide substantial impact in advocating for, helping set policy around, and offering support with inclusive playground design. Variety will provide research, information on best practices, and help with the "how to" of building inclusive playgrounds in Alberta.

Grant Amount: \$60,000