



## Community Grants Fall 2017

### 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

#### **Antyx Community Arts Society:** Youth Building a Hip-Hop Community-North of McKnight

Antyx will support youth North of McKnight to develop their leadership capacity to create community opportunities for young hip hop artists to develop and share their skills and support engaging youth interested in learning about hip hop.

Grant Amount: \$19,475

#### **Calgary International Film Festival Society:** Youth Engagement Program 2018 and 2019

This groundbreaking Youth Engagement Program will engage high school students directly in the film selection process for a new Youth Section of the festival attended by 1,200 high school students for special daytime class screenings.

Grant Amount: \$80,000

#### **Calgary Society of Independent Filmmakers:** Diversifying the Voices in Celluloid

The Diversifying the Voices in Celluloid initiative aims to reimagine the small format celluloid 100 dollar Film Festival, Calgary longest running film festival, by implementing Indigenous and non Indigenous youth celluloid filmmaking camps so as to foster inclusivity and community spirit.

Grant Amount: \$22,000

#### **Bridges Social Development:** Mentorship Initiative for Indigenous Youth – Phase II

To integrate learnings for the expansion and enhancement of our existing mentorship initiative, which aims to facilitate a smooth transition for Indigenous youth who are transitioning to Calgary from First Nation communities in Treaty 7 Territory for school and/or work.

Grant Amount: \$120,000

#### **Calgary Reads (An Early Literacy Initiative) Society:** Calgary Reads' Book Ownership Initiative

We will expand our collaboration with family-serving agencies to increase book ownership among children living in Calgary's vulnerable families. We will grow our Book Bank, adding culturally-appropriate resources for Indigenous families and other cultural groups represented in Calgary.

Grant Amount: \$75,000

#### **The Canadian Red Cross Society:** Be Safe

Be Safe! is a sexual exploitation prevention program for children aged 5 – 9, facilitated by educators within a classroom setting. Trained teachers from 50 Calgary schools will deliver the program to 2 classes of 20 children, reaching 2,000 children overall.

Grant Amount: \$26,000



**Connect Charter School Society:** Partners in Place:  
Building Community through Experiential Education

This two-day symposium will support the development of meaningful learning connections among educators, as well as fostering discussions on the role of experiential education in connecting children to nature, while strengthening ties to Indigenous communities.

Grant Amount: \$49,570

**Immigrant Services Calgary Society:** Mosaic  
Multicultural Counselling Program (MMCP)

The MMCP is designed to be a 12-week preventative/early intervention counselling program in response to a significant increase in participants who self-identify or are referred to ISC for culturally responsive counselling support.

Grant Amount: \$89,217

**Jewish Family Service (Calgary):** Culturally Competent  
and Holistic Community Poverty Reduction Pilot

Our pilot comprehensive family centered wrap around poverty reduction program aims to provide 30 highly vulnerable families belonging to immigrant, minority and marginalized communities, with over 500 hours of culturally sensitive intensive supports, education, capacity and skills building, meaningful employment and housing supports.

Grant Amount: \$60,000

**Green Calgary Association:** Environmental Literacy for a  
Greener Community

Local environmental issues are changing. Our Green Homes and Communities program needs to evolve to fill the gaps in environmental education. We are redesigning our environmental literacy calendar to provide engaging opportunities for Calgarians to create a more sustainable city.

Grant Amount: \$24,000

**Islamic Information Society of Calgary:** Islamic  
Information Societys Community Hub

The IISC is moving to a new location as they aim to expand programming and create an inclusive and welcoming space for Muslims and the general public of Calgary.

Grant Amount: \$30,000

**Level. Changing Lives Through Law:** Capacity Building:  
Indigenous Youth Justice Resource(s) and Online  
Campaign

Level proposes to build upon our Indigenous Youth Outreach Program (previously funded by the Calgary Foundation) to launch a youth designed and led, justice education resource and web/social media campaign aimed at raising awareness about youth justice issues, elevating marginalized voices, and empowering Indigenous youth by increasing their capacity to navigate the justice system.

Grant Amount: \$25,000



**March of Dimes Canada:** Development of LIFE Program in Calgary

The LIFE Program empowers and promotes more independence in young adults with physical disabilities by providing a supportive learning environment where they can expand their social and professional skills, develop daily life skills, and connect to resources.

Grant Amount: \$20,000

**Mount Royal University Foundation:** Walking With Our Sisters Calgary Commemorative Art Installation

Walking With Our Sisters is a commemorative art installation to honour the lives of missing and murdered Indigenous Women of Canada, to acknowledge the grief families of these women continue to suffer, raise awareness of this issue, and create opportunity for broad community based dialogue on the issue.

Grant Amount: \$19,5

**Punjabi Community Health Services Calgary Society:** Mental Health Program

PCHS will address mental health needs of the South Asian community in a culturally and linguistically family centered approach. Identify mental health needs and provide in house case management, reduce stigma, provide mental health and addiction services together, and hold mental health Education and awareness forums.

Grant Amount: \$160,000

**W.P. Puppet Theatre Society:** View from the Inside

View from the Inside (VIEW) is a workshop series where participants make puppets, write monologues, act and exhibit their final art creations while simultaneously discussing mental health and wellness and encouraging quality of life in vulnerable senior populations in Calgary.

Grant Amount: \$29,400

**Miistikis Institute for the Rockies Inc.:** Call of the Wetland: citizens monitoring amphibians in an urban setting

Call of the Wetland is an amphibian monitoring program developed to enable Calgary public to participate in improving our knowledge about wetland health and biodiversity within the urban environment. The program aims to build a community of citizens engaged in wetland protection and restoration.

Grant Amount: \$20,500

**The Natural Step (Canada) Inc.:** Engaging community service organizations, Indigenous leaders and artists in energy transition

Three important communities are under-represented in the ground-breaking work of the EFL so far: community service organizations, Indigenous entrepreneurs and community leaders, and artists. This initiative involves a set of activities to engage those communities.

Grant Amount: \$60,000

**RiverWatch Institute of Alberta:** Calgary River Ambassador Outreach 2018

River Ambassadors will engage 6000 Calgary river park users June-August 2018 in one-on-one, fun and insightful interactions that raise awareness of riparian ecosystems, water quality, responsible behaviors, boating safety, respect for wildlife and the opportunity to join weekly stewardship eco-tours.

Grant Amount: \$76,750

**Yellowstone to Yukon Conservation Initiative Foundation:** Love Your Headwaters

Y2Y will inspire and engage Calgarians to learn about and speak up for the source of their water. As recreation planning begins for Kananaskis, there is an opportunity for residents to learn how they can collaborate to protect their headwaters.

Grant Amount: \$50,000



## **Strengthen Charities**

supports initiatives that:

- Conduct strategic activities to 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

### **Accessible Housing Society: Emergency Preparedness**

Planning

Accessible Housing (AH) needs to develop a thorough Emergency Preparedness Plan (EPP) for Inclusio, our new 45-unit home for people with physical disabilities, which includes creating and documenting new community partnerships, identifying training priorities, and purchasing unique emergency equipment.

Grant Amount: \$30,030

### **Calgary Cerebral Palsy Association: Technology Enhancements**

Our objective is to create a scheduling system, inventory management system and membership database which will seamlessly integrate with a user friendly website.

Grant Amount: \$25,000

### **Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter Association:**

Children's Program Re-Design

We will perform a literature and program review of our Childrens Program to improve and expand our reach, as well as engage fathers to support children and improve familial relationships in instances of violence at the hands of the father.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

### **Bear Conflict Solutions Institute: Living with Wildlife 2.0**

Living with Wildlife 2.0 is a micro-site that uses the best clips from the 'Living with Wildlife' film, text and infographics to create a mobile-friendly educational tool for millions of visitors who come to the Bow Valley of Alberta.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

### **Calgary Homeless Foundation: Implement financial and contract management system**

This initiative is to install financial and contract management software to support our work as a system planner for Calgary's Homeless Serving System of Care. Our current systems do not support the financial tracking and reporting that our funders require, nor do they allow us to efficiently administer and monitor our agreements with the front line agencies that we fund. Better document management will allow us to reduce administrative time and spend more time working on improving effectiveness and outcomes in Calgary's Homeless Serving System of Care.

Grant Amount: \$120,000

### **CKUA Radio Foundation: Click, Like, and Share the Arts: increasing accessibility to the arts through digital innovation**

As more people continue to access music and music information digitally, CKUA must upgrade our website to be mobile responsive, to facilitate easier updates, to refresh our design, and to enable more interactive engagement with the community.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

**Discovery House Family Violence Prevention Society:**

Through the Yellow Door – Sustainable Table Program (YDP)

Imagine, the dark experience of a woman and her children fleeing domestic violence, then finding an open door leading into a warm, bright, secure, safe community kitchen where women and children share in community and food, coming together to listen, learn and engage.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

**First Robotics Society:** FIRST Robotics West Expansion

To expand FIRST Lego League FLL in Calgary and area increasing student enrollment by 50 per cent, including those from under served populations, and host an inaugural Calgary FLL Qualifying Tournament for teams to compete in the Regional Championship in Edmonton.

Grant Amount: \$26,421

**The In-Definite Arts Society:** A 21st Century Creation Space

The initiative aims to create a digital arts and music space in our unused space downstairs, so that our artists and the broader community can be involved in learning about and exploring digital arts and music in a free and open creation environment.

Grant Amount: \$100,000

**Literacy for Life Foundation:** Sustainable Planning for the Future

Engage third party expertise to complete an operations review and audit of the ED position and the organization as a whole. Create a plan and transition strategy to implement changes identified in audit.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

**Eleanor Luxton Historical Foundation:** Beaver Streetscape Project – Concept and Design Study

Beaver Street can be a recognized historic neighbourhood, and with historic Luxton properties on this street the ELHF will initiate this project and requires expertise in planning, architecture, acquisitions and creating relationships with community stakeholders.

Grant Amount: \$50,000

**Fort Calgary Preservation Society:** The Story Continues: Education for Reconciliation

Fort Calgary will develop and implement a comprehensive Indigenous Relations Strategy that internally and publicly establishes our evolving mission and reflects our commitment to Reconciliation.

Grant Amount: \$119,000

**Inn from the Cold Society:** Building Data Informed Service Delivery through Improved Internal Monitoring

Inn from the Cold will transition to a new Data Management and Evaluation System, enhancing our capacity for data collection, analysis, and application. This will inform practice, improve service delivery, and increase program effectiveness - ultimately maximizing positive outcomes for homeless children and their families and positioning the service and support of homeless families at the forefront of homeless policy development.

Grant Amount: \$100,000

**Lougheed House Conservation Society:** Lougheed House Community Engagement Strategy and Exhibition Development Plan

Calgary is evolving culturally. Lougheed House exhibitions currently reflect a singular historical perspective. We must be inclusive; reflect diverse histories. With community participation, we will produce an engagement framework, and exhibition plan, ensuring community collaboration is integral to exhibit/program development.

Grant Amount: \$45,000



**National Music Centre:** Making Calgary the home for music's national treasures

NMC is eligible for special designation by the Canadian Cultural Property Export Review Board which will allow us to collect, and make publicly accessible, items of outstanding significance and national importance, and further position NMC as the home for music in Canada.

Grant Amount: \$40,000

**Theatre Alberta Society:** ALL IN

Theatre Alberta is partnering with the Professional Association of Canadian Theatres to deliver an equity and diversity training program, ALL IN, to incite radical inclusive change in theatre companies across the province.

Grant Amount: \$25,000

**Student Energy:** Evaluation framework to increase program diversity and Indigenous participation

We have built programs that successfully empower students. However, there are barriers to entry to our programs for Indigenous and less-privileged students. We aim to build an evaluation framework that will identify these barriers and allow us to create solutions.

Grant Amount: \$45,000

**Wordfest:** Business Model Transformation

Wordfest must design a new business model to support the company's ability to adapt to the ongoing changes in its operating environment and to better position itself to attract, connect, expand, and engage audiences.

Grant Amount: \$70,000