

April 16.2018

Mayor Basran & Council 1435 Water Street Kelowna, BC V1Y 1J4

Dear Mayor Basran & Council:

This report contains the approved recipients for the 2018 City of Kelowna, Community Social Development Grant program to be presented to City of Kelowna Council on May 7.2018.

A total of eighteen grant applications were received for the Community Social Development grant program. There was \$187,000.00 available to fund and the total amount requested was \$375,222.00. Eleven applicants received final approval for a total of \$187,000.00 to be dispersed.

The City of Kelowna / Central Okanagan Foundation review committee approved the following grants from their meeting on April 4.2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl Miller

Director, Grants & Community Initiatives

Central Okanagan Foundation

2018 Community Social Development Grants

1. Brain Trust

Brain Injury Counselling Pilot Program - Project/Full

Approved: \$ 8,000

To enhance the rehabilitation support provided to youth and adults with brain injury and persistent concussions symptoms. To provide clients with immediate and timely access to trained counsellors who understand mental health as it relates to brain injury, as well as strategies to ensure the information is processed and retained.

2. Elevation Outdoors

Operational/Full

Approved: \$15,000

Elevation Outdoors offers specially designed outdoor sports programs, personal mentorship and life skills coaching to vulnerable youth 12 to 18 years who face barriers to participation.

3. Hands in Service

Operational/Full

Approved: \$25,000

General operating funds for at risk adults 19 to 65 years and their families experiencing social, financial, health, mobility limitations for basic housekeeping services and access to food and resource information.

4. Hope for the Nations

Operational/Partial- Food for Thought Program

Approved: \$17,000

Provides breakfast to 19 schools in Kelowna.

5. Karis Support Society

Operational/Full - Parenting Recovery Program

Approved: \$15,000

This is a facilitated, recovery-focused parenting program offering resources, information and skill development opportunities for women in recovery who are pregnant, parenting and/or in the process of having children returned to their care.

6. Kelowna Pride Society

Operational/Partial

Approved: \$ 14,500

Kelowna Pride Society is committed to serving Kelowna's LGBT2Q+ community. We create events and offer programs to connect our community and advocate for equity, inclusion and acceptance within the Okanagan Valley and beyond.

7. Living Positive Resource Centre

Operational/Full

Approved: \$20,000

To work with clients, and community partners to improve the health and wellness for people living with, or at risk of, Human Immunodeficiency Virus, Hepatitis C, or other Sexually Transmitted Blood Borne Infections.

8. NOW Canada

Operational/Full - Essentials Program

Approved: \$31,000

Essentials is a continuum of care program offered to women and youth. The program offers women and female youth the opportunity to address their challenges of homelessness, addiction, abuse and mental health concerns by providing housing placement

9. Okanagan Immigrant Collective

Project/Full

Approved: \$13,500

To develop a Multicultural Hub Homework Club that will focus on meeting the academic and social needs of immigrant elementary school children by empowering parents to support their children in their schooling.

10. Seniors Outreach Resource Centre

Operational/Full Approved: \$8,000

Supports the non-medical needs of seniors. Helps seniors navigate systems, including benefits, health and housing. Information and referral.

11. Start Fresh Project Society

Project/Partial - Culinary Arts and Farm Education Program

Approved: \$20,000

A program focusing on teaching participants (demographic is high functioning but vulnerable community members who experience barriers to employment resulting from chronic or permanent mental health struggles or related life circumstances) the fundamentals of growing and preparing food. Offers valuable life and employment skills, certificates including FoodSafe, Farm Safety and Fire Suppression.