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April 18.2016

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

Dear Mayor Basran & Council:

This report contains recommendations for the 2016 City of Kelowna, Community Social Development Grant program to be presented to City of Kelowna Council on April 25.2016.

A total of eighteen grant applications were received for the Community Social Development grant program. There is 102,000.00 available to fund and the total amount requested is \$178,126.00.

The City of Kelowna / Central Okanagan Foundation Grant Advisory committee is recommending the approval of the following grant applications from their meeting on March 30.2016.

Respectfully submitted,

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Central Okanagan Foundation

#### 2016 Recommendations:

### **Community Social Development Grants**

#### 1. Brain Trust Canada

# Compassion Fatigue Workshop/Seminar

Recommendation: \$3,000

The workshop is directed at formal and informal care providers. The workshop will speak to "Vicarious Trauma" which occurs when the experience of others transfers to the caregiver.

## 2. Canadian Mental Health

# ArtWorks program

Recommendation: \$ 6,500

Designed to promote wellness, support recovery, and build community for individuals experiencing mental health concerns.

### 3. Central Okanagan Elizabeth Fry Society

### **Girls United Trail**

Recommendation: \$ 10,000

10 session school-based primary prevention and intervention program to meet the development needs of at-risk adolescent girls. The program is highly participatory and was developed over a decade utilizing evidence-based approaches for preventing sexual abuse and sexual exploitation.

# 4. Central Okanagan Food Policy

### The Food Forest at Mission Creek Regional Park

#### Recommendation: \$3.500

The purpose of the project is to show how urban and suburban land can be used to grow edible and medicinal perennial plants. A Food Forest is a forest garden ecosystem that supports local food security and produces a wide range of edible, medicinal, and fibre-producing plants in low maintenance, low water, and educational format. The Food Forest is a public project and the food grown is available to everyone.

#### 5. Hands in Service

### Accessible Food for All

Recommendation: \$12,500

Partnership with the Central Okanagan Community Food Bank to food hampers on a monthly base to people that cannot access the foodbank due to lack of transportation, immobile, too ill or weak. The food hamper can weigh up to sixty pounds.

### 6. Inn from the Cold

# **Volunteer Training Coordinator**

Recommendation: \$8,420

The organization is in the process of re-structuring with a view to maximize the services offered. Including re-vamp their volunteer policies and procedures. They work with Approximately 7,500 volunteers.

## 7. Karis Support Society

Community Kitchen Program Recommendation: \$10,000

Designed to prevent food insecurity, offer education and training, and create connection. The 3hr/day, 2 days/week program will consist of a 6 week skills and learning segment offered to 6 participants at a time; providing culinary and employment skills, connect with others, gain access to healthy foods, create food security. Upon completion, participants will remain connected to the "buy-in" program (bulk shopping).

### 8. Kelowna & District SHARE Society

**Roof Repair** 

Recommendation: \$8,250

Rebuild the roof of the second building where furniture, goods are stored. Products in the second building account for 40% of their generated revenue. The building has been leaking for a year.

# 9. Kelowna Community Resources

"As-salam alaykom" Volunteers "Welcome" Refugees

Recommendation: \$8,880

Establish a well-organized and well managed volunteer system that is Kelowna wide concerning the involvement with refugees. The primary focus will support Government assisted refugees. The secondary focus will be to provide support to organizations that are privately sponsoring refugees.

# 10. Kelowna Family Services Centre Society

Upgrade client management system (Counselling TRAC)

Recommendation: \$ 5,000

The current system was designed for private counsellors and does not provide agency wide services (aggregate numbers, tracking numerous programs and staff).

### 11. Living Positive Resource Centre

### Creating Safe Spaces for Gender and Sexual Minority Youth

Recommendation: \$3,400

Training to allow individuals in our community working with gender and sexual minority youth to develop a comfort level and understanding of the specific issues impacting these youth. Participants in the training will develop specific strategies to ensure their workplaces represent safe spaces for gender and sexual minority youth.

#### 12. NOW Canada

Therapy programs

Recommendation: \$8,000

Operating funds for the trauma, equine and yoga therapy programs. Trauma, equine and yoga play an important role in NOW Canada's continuum of care and also in a participant's recovery and on-going success.

## 13. Okanagan Fruit Tree project

Tree Care and Maintenance Recommendation: \$5,000

Special project to build understanding of the Okanagan Fruit Tree Project's role in prudent fruit tree care and maintenance and build this component into their operations. They will not engage in actual maintenance of the trees, will play a significant role in the education of fruit tree owners. Contribute to reducing the risk of pests and diseases to orchards and farms in the city of Kelowna.

# 14. The Family Hub - Kelowna

**Specialized Equipment and Supplies** 

Recommendation: \$9,550

Establishment funds for specialized equipment and general supplies including specialized toys and games, exam table, otoscope/Ophthalmoscope, microwave, refrigerator.

Total dispersed: \$102,000.00