

Council Discretionary Grants
April 2025 Intake

#	Organization Name	Project Name	Amount of request	Purpose / Allocation - Summarized	Manager Comments	Approved 2024 Grant	Tax Exemption
1	BC Wildlife Federation	Requesting support to launch NASP in two Vernon schools	\$18,000.00	The requested \$18,000 will support the launch of NASP in two Vernon-area schools. Each school will receive a NASP-standard archery kit including 12 compound bows, 120 arrows, 5 targets, a safety net, maintenance tools, and a storage system.	Organization address is Surrey, but the grant request is for the City of Vernon. Service is not yet offered, but would support Vernon schools.		
2	DB Foundation for Health Research	Vernon MEMORY CAFE	\$500.00	host a one time only MEMORY CAFE in Vernon Autumn 2025 (hopefully September in celebration of Alzheimer's Awareness month) The \$500.00 (if granted) will be used on food.	Address is in Naramata, but grant request is for Vernon event. Applicant indicated they are a new organization, but have provided confirmation that they completed a 2022 BC Society Annual report. The budget information and list of board of directors was not provided. Application is incomplete.		
3	Family Resource Centre Society for the North Okanagan	New Equipment Purchase	\$2,700.00	The funding would be allocated to the purchase of nine panic buttons, at \$300 per button.		\$1,800.00	
4	Hope Air	Medical Travel Arrangements for Vernon Patients in Financial Need	\$15,000.00	The City of Vernon's \$15,000 will provide an estimated 40 travel arrangements for Vernon patients. This includes 20 flights, 10 meal and 10 ride vouchers.	Organization is in Vancouver, but grant request is for Vernon residents.		
5	Kalamalka Starfish Society	We need regular program funding to cover food costs for the North Okanagan Starfish Program.	\$15,000.00	The purpose of the grant is to help cover grocery and food costs, which account for about 92 % of the operating budget. \$ 15,000 for this grant from Vernon as eleven of the 20 schools are located within the City of Vernon.A grant of \$ 15,000 would cover the cost of food for 3 weeks of the 34 weeks that the program operates.	11 out of 20 schools within the City of Vernon	\$9,000.00	
6	Mackie Lake House Foundation	2025 Summer Tour Program	\$5,000.00	These funds will be utilized to support our summer tour program, including to support the wages of our summer tour guides to deliver tours as well as material costs relating to offering tea and baked goods on our veranda in conjunction with tours.	Location is in Coldstream		
7	North Okanagan Pipes & Drums	equipment and uniform renewal	\$5,000.00	Our current uniforms are "well worn" and in need of replacement. Our kilts were very high quality when we purchased them and are still in great shape, but most other items were bargain priced and need replacing. We will use the money specifically to replace the worn out items so that we can represent our City with pride.	2025 transactional activity provided only, with cash balance remaining. They do not prepare a balance sheet or income statement		

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8	Okanagan Quality of Life Society	New Equipment Purchase and First Aid Training	\$6,300.00	<p>1. Purchase of 3 computers, 2 printers and software for our volunteer office administration staff. Our long-time volunteer secretary/ treasurer is retiring and the position will now be divided into 2 positions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Secretary/Webmaster, and Treasurer <p>Our bookings coordinator also has been using their own (antiquated) computer and requires an upgrade and new software in order to operate more efficiently.</p> <p>Projected cost of 3 computers, 2 printers and software - \$ 3,000</p> <p>2. First Aid Certification and Recertification for our boat captains. For our program to start by June 1, our captains are required to have Standard First Aid with CPR-C-AED certification to comply with Department of Transport requirements. Funds from this grant would be used towards this activity. Our 6 newly recruited captains will need to take the 2-day certification training while 15 of our returning boat captains need to attend the 1-day recertification training, which is required every 4 years.</p> <p>15 Re-certifications @ \$140 ea, 6 Certifications @ \$200 = \$ 3,300</p>			
9	Sadok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble of Vernon	Costume Purchase	\$1,561.12	<p>Girls embroidered dance costume: \$187.88 each plus S&H</p> <p>Boys costume: \$177.40 each plus S&H</p> <p>4 girls costumes: \$751.52</p> <p>4 boys costumes: \$709.60</p> <p>Total cost: \$1461.12 plus S&H (\$100)</p>	Paper applicaton received.		
10	The Salvation Army - Vernon	New Equipment Purchase	\$75,000.00	<p>This grant will help fund the purchase of a new walk-in freezer for the new, quadruple-sized food bank that is under construction. This new freezer cost is \$95,855 including installation and it will be installed by Falcon Refrigeration in August 2025. This freezer will provide storage for up to 36 pallets of frozen food and will allow forklift access for efficient loading and unloading.</p>	Audited financial statements were not provided as per the policy requirement for requests exceeding \$25,000. Only a budget variance report was received.		100% PTE on Class 8. 2024 value \$11,632. 2025 forecast \$12,684
11	The Vernon Montessori Society	New Montessori Materials Purchase and Program Support	\$10,000.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- purchase the necessary materials for the new Kindergarten classroom, including mats, Montessori specific storage options, common classroom equipment such as the Pink Tower, numerical bars, bead frames, puzzles, sand paper letters, dressing frames and maps.- purchase any replacement materials needed for the other 3 classrooms, Grades 1 through 6- provide funding for the MALT sessions throughout the year- provide funding for equipment and supplies for the outdoor activities that the Montessori classes take part in- provide funding for trips and activities off school grounds, including field trips to orchards, snowshoeing at Sovereign Lake, performances at the Performing Arts center, the Japanese Cultural Center, RJ Haney Heritage Village, Caetani House, etc.- monies towards program promotion, via website, social media ads, printed materials- retain a minimum balance at the end of each year to pass on to the next incoming board of directors for events and needs at the beginning of the school year- funds towards any fundraiser costs, raffle prizes, other fundraising efforts			
12	VCB	Regular Program Funding	\$400.00	<p>Towards our operating expenses that allow the band to practice and perform. This includes paying SD22 to rent the music room at Seaton and Kal high schools for our practices, our liability insurance premium for the percussion we own, and transportation costs to perform concerts for Vernon Remembrance Day and retirement homes. We also pay our long-time Vernon resident conductor, Toni Rose, an honorarium based on the very low rate of \$20/hr.</p>	mailing address is in Enderby, but this is for the Vernon Community Band.	\$400.00	

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13	Vernon Amatuer Athletics Association	New and Updated Equipment Purchase of High Jump Mats and Hurdles	\$5,000.00	VAAA is looking to acquire new high jump mats and adjustable hurdles for our members. The current high jump mats (landing system) are in very poor condition (close to unusable) and need to be replaced and updated in order to keep our athletes safe. Our training and race hurdles are extremely outdated as well.			
14	Vernon Lawn Bowling Club	Kitchen Upgrade	\$2,000.00	The monies will be used to replace an aging fridge, and any remaining monies would go to replace and or buy a new faucet and sink for the kitchen.	Only provided Oct 2024 - Mar 2025 revenue and expenses. No balance sheet or full year of Income statement. 2024 financials were submitted in the October grant intake.	\$2,000.00	
15	Vernon Paddling Centre Society	Financial support for Adaptive Paddling Program	\$2,000.00	The proposed grant will cover the rental cost of the wheelchair porta potty from Apr - Sept 30th, 2025.		\$4,500.00	
16	Vernon She Shed Society	New Equipment purchase and flooring replacement	\$20,000.00	Vernon She Shed Society moved into our own independent workshop on January 1, 2025. We are in need of upgraded compound mieter saws, band saws, table saw, power drills, brad nailers, lathes, palm sanders, belt sander, vacuums, as well as replenishments of supplies such as glue, hinges, saw blades and screws of various sizes to name just a few items on our wish list. This can add up to tens of thousands of dollars. We also need to replace the partial carpeted flooring to a more suitable cleanable floor surface.	Comparative income statement provided. No balance sheet.	\$5,000.00	
			\$183,461.12				