

2020



## GRANT-IN-AID APPLICATION

Fraser Valley Regional District, 45950 Cheam Ave, Chilliwack BC, V2P 1N6

Applicant Name: Hoped District Arts Council

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Diane Ferguson

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Statement as to eligibility to apply for Grant-In-Aid Funds (Please attach a separate sheet if required):

See attached

### APPLICATION SUMMARY:

Project or purpose for which you require assistance (Please attach a separate sheet if required):

See attached

Statement as to how these funds will benefit the community or an aspect of the community (Please attach a separate sheet if required):

See attached

Amount of Grant Requested: \$ 4,000.00

\*\*Please note: grants over \$4,000 require a financial statement and/or report on the applicant to be provided with the application.

To the best of my knowledge, all the information that is provided in this application is true and correct. Furthermore, I hereby certify that this application for assistance is NOT being made on behalf of an individual, industry, commercial or business undertaking.

Diane Ferguson  
Executive Director  
Signature of Authorized Signatory and Title

March 10,

Amount Approved:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Electoral Area Director

Fraser Valley Regional District  
Hope & District Arts Council (HDAC) Grant-in-Aid Application 2020

Statement as to eligibility to apply for Grant-In-Aid funds:

HDAC is a local, registered, non-profit Community Arts & Cultural organization providing a variety of programs and events regularly attended by residents of Hope, Yale, Sunshine Valley, Laidlaw and surrounding areas. HDAC Notice to Reader financials, required by the BC Arts Council, Province of BC and Government of Canada are available upon request. We are run by a board of eight 8 directors. We employ one part-time paid administrator as well as 10 part-time paid art instructors.

Project or purpose for which you require assistance:

Your financial assistance will help us to continue offering year round arts and crafts programming at The Art Machine community arts facility in Hope, BC while keeping costs to participants as low as possible – some free of charge. This allows residents from all ages and income brackets to attend.

Statement as to how these funds will benefit the community, or an aspect of the community:

We believe the arts are essential to the health and well being of individuals and the community at large. The Art Machine community arts program offers arts and cultural awareness, education and opportunities for socialization and sharing to all community members. A grant in aid of \$4,000.00 will help us to continue The Art Machine programming for children and adults of all ages while keeping costs at a minimum. The funds will be spent on arts/craft materials, instructor's wages, facility rent and utilities, etc. The new Art Machine facility has been open and operating since October 2018 and ultimately benefits the whole community. Hope and area is unique in that we have community arts programming such as The Art Machine, rarely seen in small communities. Support from local government such as the District of Hope and the FVRD show community support and help HDAC to acquire funding from other available Federal, Provincial and private sources.

We have asked for \$4,000.00 this year to help with overall costs of operating the Art Machine facility. We permanently lost approximately \$3,600.00 in funding from the Kinder Morgan Foundation last year. They now only fund large communities close to Vancouver and Calgary. HDAC has also received less funding through the BC Arts Council than anticipated this year. We are also still waiting for 2019 BC Gaming Community grant funding due to unforeseen circumstances. We are looking at a shortfall in our budget this year which will be corrected and back on track next year. We will appreciate any amount that the FVRD can offer us.

A 2019 report is included with this application. The HDAC 2020 AGM will be held on April 8, 2020 and our 2019 financial Notice to Reader report is complete and is available upon request. Please do not hesitate to ask for any other information you require.

Special note:

HDAC was notified last fall by the Federal New Horizons for Seniors program that HDAC and Hope, BC have been chosen to represent small town Canada for best practices of our use of their funding and mobilizing volunteers in our community. A description of our recent Art Machine renovation project will be used on their website along with the upcoming grant applications – not sure exactly when..... HDAC is so grateful for funding we receive to improve our community and for this honour. We are still waiting to see the results of this.