

Appendix A: 2024 Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Funding

Electoral Area	Recipient	Funding	Approval Date
Electoral Area A	Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society	\$1,200	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area A	Boston Bar North Bend Bowling Association	\$500	June 27, 2024 ¹
Electoral Area B	RiverMonsters Swim Club	\$1,700	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area B	Sunshine Valley Community Recreation Society	\$4,000	July 25, 2024
Electoral Area C	Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association	\$4,000	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area C	Indigenous Culture Camp & Coming of Age Ceremony	\$1,500	March 21, 2024
Electoral Area C	Lake Errock Community Association (LECA)	\$4,000	September 26, 2024
Electoral Area C Electoral Area G	Actively Creating an Exceptional Society (ACES)	\$3,000	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area C Electoral Area G	Deroche & District Community Association	\$6,000	January 25, 2024
Electoral Area C Electoral Area G	Deroche Elementary School PAC	\$4,000	September 26, 2024
Electoral Area C Electoral Area G	Deroche Farmers Market	\$2,300	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area C Electoral Area G	Mission Community Services	\$6,500	December 14, 2024 ²
Electoral Area E	Chilliwack River Valley Firefighters Society	\$1,000	September 26, 2024 ¹
Electoral Area E	Post Creek Ratepayers Association	\$4,000	February 29, 2024
Electoral Area G	Dewdney Elementary School PAC	\$3,500	February 29, 2024
Electoral Area H	Columbia Valley Fire Department	\$1,000	May 16, 2024 ¹
Electoral Area H	Cultus Lake Community School Association	\$3,000	June 27, 2024
Electoral Area H	Cultus Lake Fire Department	\$1,000	May 16, 2024 ¹
Electoral Area H	Cultus Lake Park Community Events and Engagement Committee	\$4,000	April 25, 2024
		\$3,000	November 28, 2024
Electoral Area H	Cultus Lake Stewardship Society	\$2,500	April 25, 2024
Electoral Area H	Eastern Fraser Valley Lions	\$2,500	April 25, 2024
Total approved in 2024		\$64,200	

Electoral Area C	Hemlock Valley Homeowners Association	\$4,000	December 23, 2023
Electoral Area F	McConnell Creek Farm Institute Hall	\$7,500	December 23, 2023
Electoral Area G	Hatzic Watershed Restoration Society ⁴	\$4,000	December 23, 2023
Total approved in 2023³		\$15,500	

1. Under the Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid Policy, grants of \$1,000 or less do not require follow-up.
2. The grant was approved in December 2024 and disbursed in January 2025. Staff have not followed up, as the recipient was not expected to use the funds by year-end.
3. Grant not included in prior year reporting as it was approved in December 2023 and disbursed in 2024.
4. Grant was not included in prior year reporting as it was approved in 2023 and unspent in 2024. Cheque was re-issued in 2025.

2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area A
Recipient Organization:	Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society
Amount of Grant Received:	\$1200
Project or Purpose:	Rental for museum space

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

The funds granted covered the cost of rent (\$100 per month) on the space occupied by the Boston Bar Museum in the North Bend Community Centre.

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

Simply enough, these funds made possible the maintenance and exhibition of the museum. The museum is open to the public two days per week. There is an average of eight visitors per week. Management, security, and operation of the museum is done by volunteer help.

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The aid of the Regional District is announced at regular meeting of the society.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Tom Durrie, president

Organization: Boston Bar North Bend Enhancement Society

Signature of Submitter

President
Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area A
Recipient Organization:	RiverMonsters Swim Club
Amount of Grant Received:	\$1700
Project or Purpose:	To buy branded club tents for swim meets

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

These funds were put towards buying new teams tents. At swim meets our families spend the time between heats as a team below our team tent. We only had one prior to this funding but now we have enough room for everyone and don't need to borrow tents from families for our team events.

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

These funds will allow our team to show their pride when we compete at swim meets all through the fraser valley. Hope used to have a strong community of swimmers and we hope to bring back pride in our swim team for the community. There was a time, more than a decade, when Hope had no swim program so it's important for our community to see that we are a team full of committed swimmers and volunteers bringing back some of the swimming success that our young swimmers formerly had in years past.

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Once we are back in competition season (May through early August) we will be featuring photos our team at competition and will also feature our lovely new tents that FVRD has so graciously helped us purchase as well as a shout out to the FVRD on our socials.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Adam Keil/President

Organization: Hope River Monsters Swim Club



Signature of Submitter

President

Title

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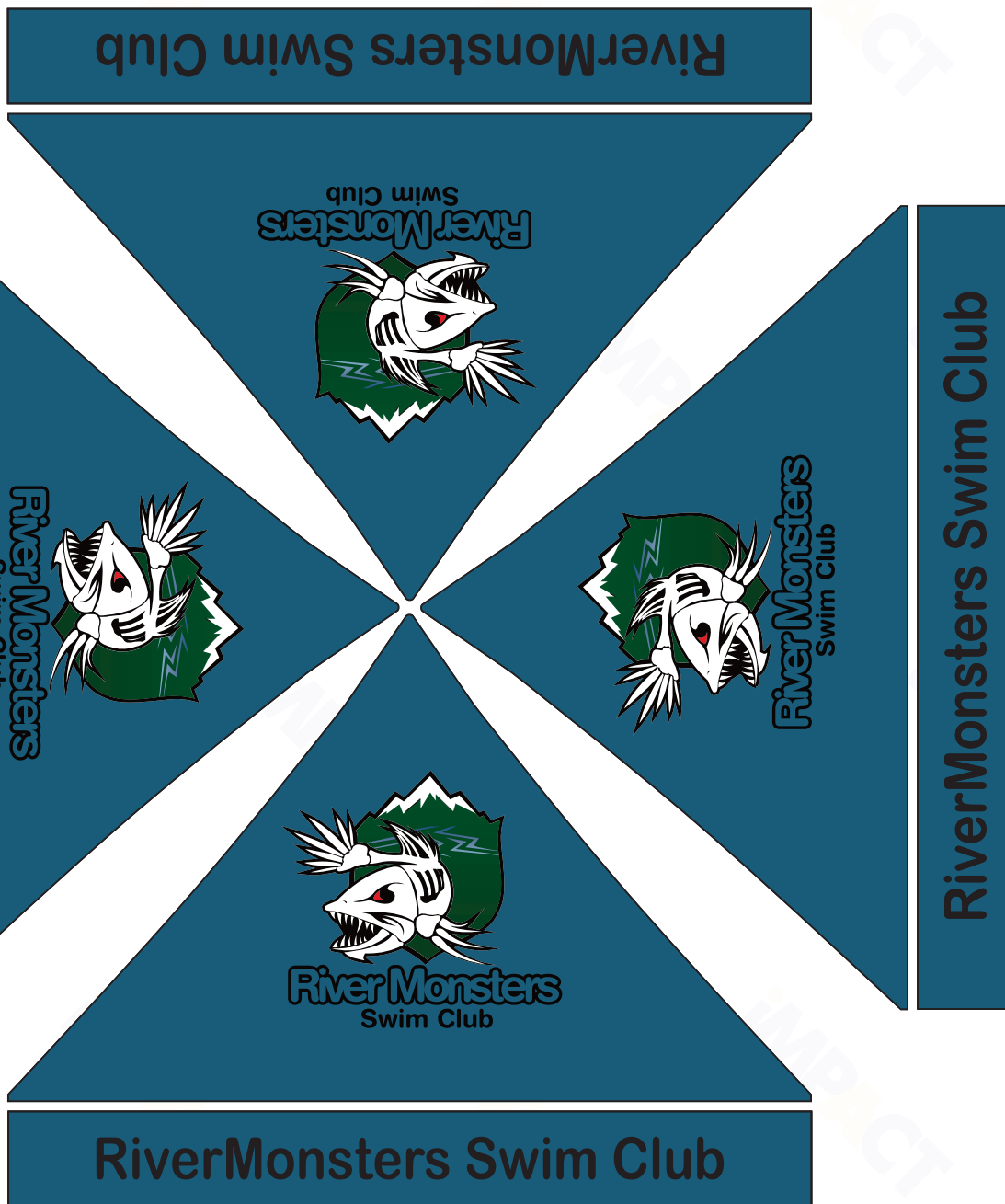
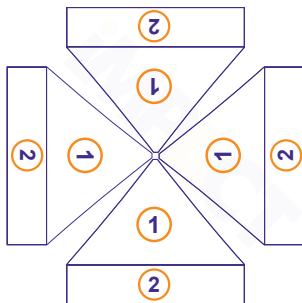
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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area B
Recipient Organization:	SVC Recreation Society
Amount of Grant Received:	\$4000
Project or Purpose:	SV Classic Car Show

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

See attached for report. Section 1

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

See attached for report. Section 2.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

We included the FVRD logo and text on all paid and sponsored print ads (Hope Standard), posters (300), rack cards (1000), wayfinding signage and sponsor recognition signage at the event. As well, the sponsors were thanked multiple times throughout the day from the stage (minimum 15 X for FVRD).

Submitted By (Name/Title):

Organization:

Ann Phelps


Signature of Submitter

Chair, SVC Recreation Society

Title

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1. Sunshine Valley Classic Car Show Report

The **Sunshine Valley Classic Car Show** took place on Saturday, August 10, 2024, bringing together automobile enthusiasts, local residents, and visitors for a day of classic car appreciation, community engagement, and entertainment. Hosted at the Sunshine Valley Community Recreation Centre, the event showcased a diverse collection of vintage and classic vehicles, ranging from pre-war automobiles to muscle cars and custom builds.

Event Highlights

The car show featured over 100 classic vehicles, with owners proudly displaying their meticulously maintained automobiles. Attendees had the opportunity to interact with car owners, learn about vehicle restoration, and participate in various family-friendly activities. The event also included professional entertainment / live music from the Cascade Lower Canyon Community Forest Community Stage including California Surf, food vendors, and a raffle draw, enhancing the overall experience for visitors.

A panel of judges evaluated the cars based on authenticity, condition, and historical significance. Several awards were presented, including **Best 50s, 60s, 70s, Best in Show and People's Choice**. The winners received trophies and recognition for their dedication to preserving automotive history.

Community Impact

The event successfully attracted car enthusiasts from Sunshine Valley and beyond, boosting local tourism and business engagement. Vendors reported increased sales, and community members expressed enthusiasm for the show's return next year. Marketing took place throughout the Fraser Valley with the Hope Standard and StarFM Rogers as media sponsors. A portion of the proceeds from entry fees and donations will support the **Sunshine Valley Community Recreation Society**, contributing to ongoing facility improvements.

Future Recommendations

Feedback from participants suggests expanding the event to include more interactive elements such as a **classic car parade and children's activities**. As well, there were many suggestions for increased days to include more performances.

Overall, the **Sunshine Valley Classic Car Show** was a resounding success, celebrating automotive heritage while strengthening community ties.

2. Organizational and Community Benefits of FVRD Funding for the Classic Car Show

Receiving funding from the **Fraser Valley Regional District (FVRD)** for the **Sunshine Valley Classic Car Show** provided significant benefits for both the **Sunshine Valley Community Recreation Society** and the broader community.

Organizational Benefits

FVRD funding ensured the sustainability and growth of the event, covering essential costs such as venue setup, promotional materials, and logistical needs. This financial support also enabled us as the organizers to enhance the event by incorporating **additional attractions, interactive workshops, and expanded vendor participation**. With secure funding, the **Sunshine Valley Community Recreation Society** was able to allocate more resources toward future events, ensuring long-term success and consistency. Additionally, funding reduced reliance on entry fees and donations, making the event more **accessible to all community members**.

Community Benefits

FVRD funding helped boost **local tourism and economic activity** by attracting visitors from surrounding areas, increasing foot traffic for local businesses and vendors. The event fostered **community engagement and social connections**, providing a gathering space for residents who celebrated shared interests. Furthermore, any surplus funds generated were reinvested into **recreation programs and infrastructure improvements**, enhancing year-round amenities for Sunshine Valley residents. Ultimately, FVRD support strengthened the event's impact, making it a **cornerstone of community development and cultural enrichment**.

Poster and rackcard creative on next page.

SUNSHINE VALLEY

Classic
CAR SHOW
3RD ANNUAL



Free

PERFORMANCES FEATURING FORMER MEMBERS OF

THE BEACH BOYS

PLAYING ALL YOUR FAVOURITE HITS!



CLASSIC, MUSCLE CAR + HOT ROD EVENT

JUDGING CATEGORIES

Best 30s | 40s | 50s | 60s | 70s | 80s
Best Late Model | People's Choice

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

360Fabrication.com
or 604.859.3608
Vehicle entry: \$20

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FREE FOR THE PUBLIC TO ENJOY

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

12 pm | Vehicle entry opens
12 pm - 7 pm | Food trucks
& beer garden open
6:30 pm | Trophy presentation

FREE ADMISSION PERFORMANCES

Free admission to live music
performances starting at 1pm!

THE SUNSHINE
VALLEY COMMUNITY
RECREATION SOCIETY
WOULD LIKE TO THANK
OUR EVENT PRESENTING
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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Grant in Aid
Electoral Area:	Area C
Recipient Organization:	Hemlock Valley Homeowner's Association
Amount of Grant Received:	\$4,000.00
Project or Purpose:	Organization of events that promote the participation of homeowners in building spirit, safety, and engagement for the betterment of our community

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information:

The Hemlock Valley Homeowner's Association (HVHA) would like to thank the FVRD Board of Directors for their support in providing the Grant-in Aid we received in 2024.

The grant provided much needed funds for our organization to hold events that promoted awareness, engagement and participation of the community. Grant funds were an integral part in the success of the following events:

Annual Spring Community Cleanup/Barbeque - \$350.00 Community Members walked the streets and trails of our community collecting and bagging litter and garbage. Once our community was cleaned, the HVHA hosted a BBQ in appreciation for those that were able to assist as well as for the general community.

Community Block Party - \$1,950.00 - This was our first time putting this event together and was a resounding success, now becoming an annual event. HVHA provided Food, drinks, music, games and prizes. The event began mid afternoon and

lasted well into the evening. We purchased a 20'x20' Event tent for this event which can be used for future events and functions.

HVHA Post AGM Potluck - \$375.00 – After the HVHA Annual General Meeting, we host a potluck get together to allow members to socialize and talk about the meeting items and year ahead.

New Year's Fireworks Contribution - \$500.00 – The HVHA contributed towards the cost for the annual New Year's fireworks celebration. This is an amazing event for the community and brings everyone to the base of the mountain on what is a magical night for members of our community and all those that are visiting at that time. The HVHA helps with promotion through our Hemlock Howler Newsletter including encouraging members to donate and contribute.

HVHA Winter Introduction BBQ - \$350.00 – HVHA Director's hosted a BBQ on the ski hill providing Hot Dogs, and Drinks to promote the Hemlock Valley Community and Homeowner's Association to visitors to the ski hill.

Various Contests and Events – \$400.00 The HVHA puts on various community contests and awards prizes throughout the year to maintain community engagement such as:

- Best Snowman
- Best Christmas Tree
- Best Christmas lights
- Valentines Day
- Easter Egg Hunt

These small contests keep us engaged and in communication with our members and encourages community involvement throughout the year.

Statement as to how these funds benefitted the community or any aspect of the community (Please attach a separate sheet if required)

The grant funds are instrumental to the HVHA, and without them we would not be able to organize the various events held throughout the year. These events help the community stay connected. They foster community spirit and engagement and keep everyone informed on what's important in Hemlock Valley. They enrich existing relationships and introduce new homeowners and visitors to the community. They build on the safety and security of the neighbourhoods, as faces now become familiar and recognizable. The positive feedback received at these events and from our members is a strong indication of their value, and in turn, the value of the grant funds that make them possible.

Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites:

The FVRD is recognized as a major funding source to the Hemlock Valley Homeowner's Association as follows:

- In the introductory/opening remarks at the start of each of our events
- In our Hemlock Howler newsletter that is emailed to our members
- In the minutes of HVHA Director's Meetings
- During the Treasurer's Report and statement at the HVHA's Annual General Meeting

Submitted By (Name/Title:	Lino Funaro (Treasurer)
Organization:	Hemlock Valley Homeowner's Association

<u>Lino Funaro</u>	<u>Lino Funaro (Treasurer)</u>
Signature of Submitter	Title

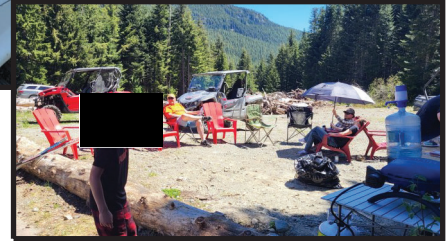
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Hemlock Valley Homeowner's Association

Grant in Aid—Follow Up Pictures



**Annual Spring Community
Cleanup & BBQ!**

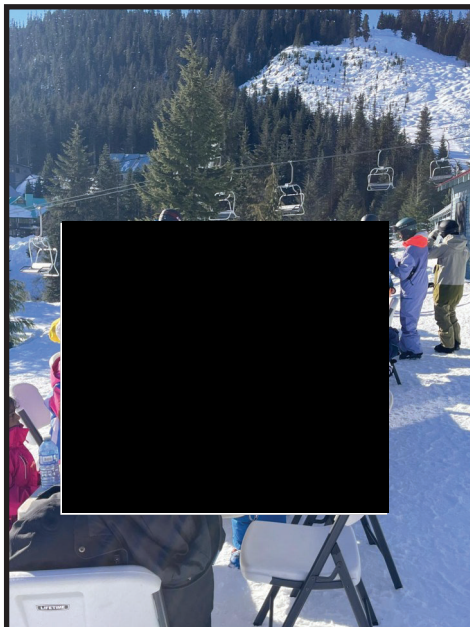


Happy New Year!

Come and watch the mountain light up at the spectacular
Fireworks Extravaganza on New Years Eve!!!

Everyone is welcome and start time is 9 p.m. Stay warm by the
community bonfire and share some cheer with your family and
friends. Molly's will be open until midnight!

Thanks again to all who contributed to make this special event happen!





Calling All Hemlockians!!

Join us and get to know
your neighbors on Saturday,
September 7th!



2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area C
Recipient Organization:	Indigenous Culture Camp at Tsek Hot Springs
Amount of Grant Received:	\$1,500
Project or Purpose:	Empowering Indigenous youth through a Camp and a coming of age ceremony at Tsek Hot Springs in Electoral Area C

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

A program was organized focused on the traditional practices of harvesting inner cedar bark and roots, along with a unique aspect of spiritual and physical nourishment - a four-day fast. The youth went for a cold-water bath near Sts'ailes before and after the fasting, we also harvested the Willow needed to create the Sweat lodge and individual Huts. This initiative not only facilitated the transmission of ancestral knowledge and skills but also fostered a deeper connection to cultural heritage among the participating youth. The youth also took part in the annual Moose Hide Campaign and Red Dress Walk as part of the ongoing cultural experience. Community Knowledge keeps and elders from Scowlitz, Chehalis and Skatin helped guide us along our journey. The program was met with great enthusiasm and appreciation from the Indigenous youth involved. Their active participation, coupled with the wisdom shared by elders and mentors, contributed to a transformative experience that will resonate with them for years to come.

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

The financial assistance provided by the Fraser Valley Regional District played a pivotal role in the success of our program. It enabled us to procure necessary resources, engage knowledgeable instructors, and ensure a safe and enriching experience for all participants. Moreover, it exemplifies your commitment to supporting initiatives that promote cultural preservation and youth development in our region.

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At each session that we hosted like, sweatlodge ceremony and circle the Fraser Valley Regional District was thanked by all for their contributions to help make Culture Camp Happen.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Rick Joe

Organization: Organizer, Indigenous Culture Camp at Tsek Hot Springs

Rick Joe
Signature of Submitter

Organizer

Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid	<input type="button" value="v"/>
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area C	<input type="button" value="v"/>
Recipient Organization:	Lake Errock Community Association (LECA)	
Amount of Grant Received:	4,000	
Project or Purpose:	To support LECA's annual events focussed on our 3 constitutional mandates of Lake Stewardship, Community, and Arts & Culture	

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

- 1) Ministry of Environment Level 3 lake water sampling program - we completed the 2nd year of level 3 testing in conjunction with the ministry and the BC Lake Stewardship Society (BCLSS membership cost \$50). The ministry covers the testing costs of the level 3 program, but the work is done by LECA volunteers over 6 months. The additional water testing is done by Alara Environmental for \$1,258 per year. Ministry results can be seen on their website <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/research-monitoring-reporting/monitoring/lake-monitoring/bc-lake-stewardship-and-monitoring-program>
- 2) Community Garage Sale - June 22 - Many families took part to encourage re-use of items, and lets the community to get to know more neighbours.
- 3) Community Clean Up event - Sept 28 - The community gets together to clean out the local ditches, roadsides, and public lands in the area, before the salmon spawning starts where many ditches are spawning spots. We had the most salmon return to spawn this year than seen in decades. The cleanup cost \$1,166
- 4) Community End of Summer Celebration - Sept 24 - Community BBQ and neighbourhood get together in the park. Total cost \$1,570 Cultural event included live music by neighbours, and local business donations for draws and getting to know your neighbours. About 76 people attended the event from around Area C.
- Total Spend = \$4,044

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

- 1) The lake testing benefits the community by measuring & monitoring the health of the lake, which the community surrounds. Lake Errock is an important Coho, Chum and Steelhead spawning lake, and we want to keep it healthy. Many lakes in BC have invasive species problems, as well as toxic algae blooms, and are getting worse from over development, fertilizers / sewage effluent, and warming.
- 2) LECA events help neighbours improve the sense of community, and come together to build our local arts & culture, including with our Sq'ewlets neighbours.

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The FVRD support is well known within the LECA Board, and promoted at the local events, as well as on the LECA website.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Mike Armstrong

Organization: LECA

Signature of Submitter

Board Chair

Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area C & G
Recipient Organization:	Actively Creating An Exceptional Society
Amount of Grant Received:	\$3,000
Project or Purpose:	This grant was for upkeep and activities of the ACES Mother Earth Magic Food Forest Garden located at the FVRD Access Centre in Deroche

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

See attached grant report and photos

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

see attached grant report

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2024 FVRD Grant Report - ACES

\$3,000 FVRD GIA

Mother Earth Magic Food Forest Garden Activities/Events

March 18th – Raising of the Peace Pole

March 23th – Seed Exchange, mini-market (DFM), music (Kat and Tony), children's activity (planting seeds)

March 30th – Labyrinth building party

June 15th – Table at opening Father's Day Market, rock painting, DSF Butterflyway project, new MEMFFG banner, garden ambassadors/tours

June 29 – Garden Ambassadors at Deroche Farmers Market

July 3 – Pollinators Kids Workshop – DSF Butterflyway event with art, music and storytelling about pollinators

July 3 – start of Harvest Wednesdays 4-6pm till Aug. 28, facilitated opportunity for community to gather free produce and learn more about the garden

July 20th – Wild Art and Garden Event

Plein Air Artists Maaiké VanderMeer, Hannah Bricknell, Jaxon Taylor

Painting the Peace Pole, garden tours, rock painting, making a companion for Popcorn

July 29 and August 5 - Scarecrow-making sessions for Music Bingo Silent Auction

August 9th – Scarecrow Auction/Fundraiser Music Bingo Dewdney Pub

August 20th – Irrigation System installed

September 22 – Volunteer Thank You Brunch - giveaways – door prizes (donations from community businesses)

December 21 – Winter Solstice lantern making and Labyrinth Walk

Community Contributions:

Volunteer hours - total – 595.5 (not including admin and board meetings)

- 41 work parties from Feb 24-Nov 8 – 441.5 hrs
- watering – 45.5 hrs
- events – 108.5 hrs



Garden Donations:

- Denbow – 6yds soil and delivery (approx \$400.00 value)
- Klassen – 6 yds soil and delivery (approx \$400.00 value)
- Anonymous donation for irrigation system (\$2000.00)

Volunteer Party & Music Bingo Donations:

- Sandpiper Golf Course – gc for 4 rounds of golf (approx \$400.00 value)
- Deroche General Store – door prizes, auction items (approx \$300.00 value)
- Save – On Foods - \$50.00 gc
- Farmhouse Natural Cheeses - \$50.00 gc
- Camelia Burnette – 2 - 1/2 hr. spa treatment gc's (approx \$80.00)
- Deroche Farmers Market Vendors – door prizes
- Kilby – family membership (90.00 value)
- Penny – jewellery, vases (approx \$75.00 value)
- Ann Titford – 2 birdhouses (approx (\$100.00 value)
- Harrison Lavender Farm – candle, soap dish (approx. Value \$30.00)
- Patti - cookbook
- art from Wild Art and Garden participants (Daniel, Maaike and Hannah)
- Allanah – painted shells

Benefits to Community

The Mother Earth Magic Food Forest Garden has become a community hub, contributing to the overall well-being of the community while helping people of all ages learn about sustainability, food security and develop skills to produce their own food. The garden supplied free, fresh local produce to community members whether they were garden volunteers or not.

The creation of the Labyrinth and the Peace Pole, continues to draw community to the garden for meditative walks and seasonal observations such as the Summer & Winter Solstice and Spring & Fall Equinox events. The garden activities create a sense of community, helps to ease social isolation while bringing people together for work parties and community celebrations (seed exchange, planting parties, harvest).

The garden has become a weekly gathering place for the community. We attracted and retained an active group of over 20 community volunteers, held 41 community work parties (planting, weeding, watering etc.) with volunteers providing almost 600 hours of their time to nurture and support the garden. We offered workshops on wild edibles, beekeeping, pollinators, and more. Students from Deroche school are actively engaged in the project as well. Students come to work at the garden as part of their outdoor education program at the school. The children are learning about the importance of pollinators, good soil, planting, weeding, and harvesting, about sustainability and contributing to their community.

ACES
Mother Earth Magic
Food Forest Garden
photos 2024













2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area C & G
Recipient Organization:	Deroche & District Community Association
Amount of Grant Received:	\$ 6,000.00 in 2023 & \$ 6,000.00 in 2024 - Total: \$ 12,000.00
Project or Purpose:	Flooring & Plumbing Improvements in Community Hall

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

Funds from 2023 & 2024 approved GIA requests were used as Follows:
 Remove & Replace 40 year old Linoleum Flooring with Vinyl Plank Flooring in the Hall Annex area & the Entrance area. Total Cost: \$ 9,630.40
 Improve Plumbing in Washrooms including removing & replacing all Poly B plumbing and replacing with Copper & PEX Piping to bring washrooms up to current Building Code Standards. Total Cost: \$ 2,940.00
 Total Cost of both projects covered by 2023 & 2024 GIA requests: 12,570.40

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

These completed projects help us to keep our Community Hall at a Standard that allows us to offer the Hall for many Community Functions, Meetings and events such as: Wedding & Anniversary Celebrations, Birthday, Re-Unions, Community Special Events, Celebration of Life Events, Fundraiser and many other uses.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

Regional Directors are recognized for their continued support at all Community Events they participate in as well as posted placards inside the Hall.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Lloyd J. McKimmon

Organization: Deroche & District Community Association

Lloyd J. McKimmon
Signature of Submitter

President

Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid	<input type="button" value="v"/>
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area C & G	<input type="button" value="v"/>
Recipient Organization:	Deroche Elementary PAC	
Amount of Grant Received:	\$4,000.00	
Project or Purpose:	To help support the garden club, sewing club, bussing, school supplies, and spirit wear at the school.	

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

The grant has been used so far to purchase sewing supplies for our sewing club. They created beautiful pot holders for their families as Christmas gifts, and are currently working on finishing some decorative pillows. Gloves and bulbs were purchased for our gardening club, which they will be putting to good use in the spring time. The students in Div 1 were able to have a celebration for all of their efforts that went towards building paths in our outdoor classroom. Students were treated to experiments where they learnt about different rocks. The library was able to get candies and jars to create a new book return rewards system.

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

Children who garden learn responsibility, patience, perseverance, and how to deal with disappointment if the garden doesn't grow the way they expected, which is what makes our Garden Club so important, plus the students love it! Sewing Club is providing our students with crucial life skills like how to be patient, communicating and following instructions, and helps them build self-confidence and confidence in their skills. Supplies are expensive, and we would like to support the teachers in being able to add to their basic supplies as needed to provide their students with an extra special learning experience.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

It is announced during our PAC meetings, and is posted about on our facebook page.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Jacelyn Scott / Treasurer

Organization: Deroche Elementary School PAC



Signature of Submitter

Treasurer

Title

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Grant-In-Aid - Grant Tracking 2024-2025

Grant Details:

Amount: \$4,000.00 from Area C and G

Awarded: October, 2024 Report Due: September 2025

(Funds given directly to PAC)

Grant Request

1	Garden Club	\$ 400.00
2	Sewing Club	\$ 600.00
3	Bussing	\$ 1,000.00
4	School Supplies (Teachers)	\$ 1,000.00
5	Spirit Wear K-6 Shirts	\$ 1,000.00

\$ 4,000.00

Grant Tracking (Budget \$4,000.00)

Date	Source	C	Description	Amount
5-Nov-24	PAC CHQ #585 to Ann Titford	1	Canadian Tire - Gloves & Bulbs	\$ 88.68
5-Nov-24	PAC CHQ #586 to Patricia Pruim	2	Fabricland - Fabric and Sewing supplies	\$ 204.56
1-Dec-24	PAC CHQ #587 to Patricia Pruim	2	Fabricland - Fabric and Sewing supplies	\$ 35.47
9-Feb-25	PAC CHQ #590 to Ann Titford	4	Food for path building celebration	\$ 45.99
9-Feb-25	PAC CHQ #591 to Ann Titford	4	Food for path building celebration	\$ 49.33
9-Feb-25	PAC CHQ #592 to Ann Titford	4	Supplies for rock experiments, candies/jars for a book reward program	\$ 100.67

Total \$ 524.70

Balance Available: \$ 3,475.30

Notes: PAC will track the grant.

Remaining:

1	Garden Club	\$ 311.32
2	Sewing Club	\$ 359.97
3	Bussing	\$ 1,000.00
4	School Supplies (Teachers)	\$ 804.01
5	Spirit Wear K-6 Shirts	\$ 1,000.00

2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Areas C & G
Recipient Organization:	Deroche Farmers Market Society
Amount of Grant Received:	2300
Project or Purpose:	Deroche Farmers Market

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

A large portion of the 2024 funds received were allocated towards advertising as usual. We replaced some of our large highway signs that were aged and added some smaller ones for residential and storefront areas. Again, we purchased 300 reusable shopping bags that were distributed throughout the season. This has become a very popular routine for the DFM. We directed the remaining funds towards our annual Mothers Day special event.

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

The Deroche Farmers Market gives Deroche and the surrounding communities a place to gather, where they can enjoy friends, music and shopping. It also gives our local entrepreneurs an outlet to display and sell their passion whether it be grown, baked or handcrafted. By supporting our efforts to attract community members and businesses, the FVRD is contributing to the economic growth of our area.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

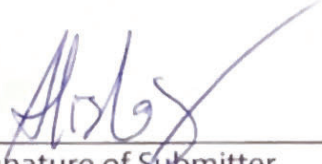
The FVRD is thanked as a supporter on all of our social media outlets and our website.

Submitted By (Name/Title):

Alisha Trottier, DFMS President

Organization:

Deroche Farmers Market Society


Signature of Submitter


Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area E	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recipient Organization:	Post Creek ratepayers Association (PCRA)	
Amount of Grant Received:	\$4000	
Project or Purpose:	Wildfire safety and community safety	

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

I can forward pictures next week, let me know if that's needed?
Or, i could ask a resident to take pictures and send them.

The funds were used to purchase two, 2000-gallon water tanks for storage of water as part of PCRA's Wilfide Preparedness.
Also purchased were fittings and valves that mate with PCRA's fire hoses, pumps and other equipment.
The remainder of the funds were used to purchase quality paint for the Incident Command Centre (ICC) / Muster Station, which was purchased used using a previous Area E GIA.

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

The funds benefitted the community by dramatiacly improving our on-hand water resources.
these tanks are used in training with and for residents and property owners, as well as in training with Chilliwack River Valley Fire Department (CRVFD)
The painting of the ICC was required as the shipping container that PCRA converted to the use as ICC, was purchased used and was rusty.



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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

The FVRD was crdited in our local facebook page, also in PCRA Board minutes which are available to members and are distributed.

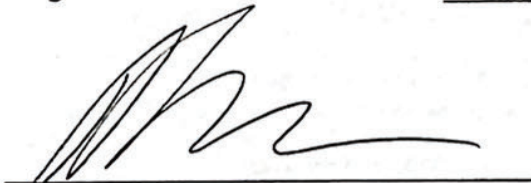
also, FVRD gat mentions at community meetings such as our AGM, annual 'Corn Roast' and at community get-togethers.

Submitted By (Name/Title):

Ralph Belisle President

Organization:

Post Creek Ratepayers Association


Signature of Submitter

President
Title

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FEB 13, 2025

2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type: Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid

Electoral Area: Electoral Area G

Recipient Organization: Dewdney Elementary School

Amount of Grant Received: \$3500

Project or Purpose:

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

We use these funds to buy snacks, school supplies, and clothes or shoes for students in need.
We also provide Christmas hampers, which include a full Christmas dinner, for families in need in December.

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

Students feel more included and less embarrassed when they are provided with the same things that their classmates have.
Low income families feel provided for and are very grateful for the school's support. That makes ~~us~~ us happy.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

FVRD is noted as a contributor on our website

Submitted By (Name/Title):

Organization:

Rebecca Vanlaerhoven

Dewdney Elementary



Signature of Submitter

Treasurer

Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area H
Recipient Organization:	Cultus Lake Community School Association
Amount of Grant Received:	\$3,000
Project or Purpose:	Organizing a summer program for campers from low-income and/or at-risk families

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

CLCSA successfully conducted 9 weeks of engaging summer programming. The majority of the 117 campers who participated in our summer program come from lower-income and/or at-risk families. The grant funds were utilized to plan field trips for 38 children and staff on various outings. Funds were also utilized to purchase a refurbished cri-cut machine so that staff uniforms can be made in-house. These high-visibility uniforms are a crucial safety measure as a lot of staff members spend time in forests.

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

We have never had the funding to take the children on bigger outings outside of Cultus Lake due to the cost of charter busing and lack of transit options. With your help, we were able to organize enriching field trips to Tap-Ins Putting Range, The Eco-Dairy, and The Greater Vancouver Zoo, all of which were well-received by the children. The Zoo trip, a highlight of the summer, was made possible entirely through the FVRD grant, allowing 38 children and staff to participate. Furthermore, your generous contribution has been instrumental in the success of our programming, and the acquired Cri-Cut machine will continue to benefit our non-profit for years to come. We extend our heartfelt thanks for your support.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

The district was credited via - program letters home to participant families, board meeting minutes, social media posts.

Submitted By (Name/Title):

Melissa Giles, Executive Director

Organization:

Cultus Lake Community School Association



Signature of Submitter

Executive Director

Title

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Cultus Lake Community School Association

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Subject: Successful Utilization of Grant Funds

October 11, 2024

To the Fraser Valley Regional District,

We are pleased to submit this report detailing the use of the grant provided by the Fraser Valley Regional District.

CLCSA successfully conducted 9 weeks of engaging summer programming. The majority of the 117 campers who participated in our summer program come from lower-income and/or at-risk families. We have never had the funding to take the children on bigger outings outside of Cultus Lake due to the cost of charter busing and lack of transit options. With your help, we were able to organize enriching field trips to Tap-Ins Putting Range, The Eco-Dairy, and The Greater Vancouver Zoo, all of which were well-received by the children. The Zoo trip, a highlight of the summer, was made possible entirely through the FVRD grant, allowing 38 children and staff to participate.

Furthermore, we had asked for support in purchasing staff uniforms. After looking at costs, we invested in a refurbished Cri-Cut Machine so we can make them in-house. This significantly reduced the cost of providing high-visibility staff uniforms, a crucial safety measure for our team spending considerable time in the forest. We deeply appreciate your support in this endeavour.

Your generous contribution has been instrumental in the success of our programming, and the acquired Cri-Cut machine will continue to benefit our non-profit for years to come. We extend our heartfelt thanks for your support.

Sincerely,

Cultus Lake Community School Association



2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area H
Recipient Organization:	Cultus Lake Park
Amount of Grant Received:	\$4000
Project or Purpose:	Cultus Lake Day

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

The entirety of the \$4000 Grant-in-Aid funds were used for the annual Cultus Lake Day event on June 22, 2024, and contributed to providing activities for the kids including bouncy castles and face painting as well as allowing us to rent a stage to provide live music for attendees with local musicians.

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

Cultus Lake Day is a very popular event enjoyed by upwards of 10,000 people from the Cultus Lake Park community and surrounding areas. The event not only provides family-friendly enjoyment, entertainment and activities but also provides an opportunity for local artisans, food trucks, musicians and business to promote or sell their crafts or services.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

The Fraser Valley Regional District name and logo was placed in significance on large sponsor signs throughout the event as well as a thank you poster that was published in the Chillwack Progress and on social media.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Joe Lamb
Organization: Cultus Lake Park



Signature of Submitter

Chief Administrative Officer
Title

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On behalf of everyone at Cultus Lake Park,
a sincere thank you goes out to those who helped
make Cultus Lake Christmas a success!

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area H
Recipient Organization:	Cultus Lake Park
Amount of Grant Received:	\$3000
Project or Purpose:	Cultus Lake Christmas

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

The entirety of the \$3000 Grant-in-Aid funds were used for the annual Cultus Lake Christmas event on November 23, 2024, and contributed to providing tents and heaters for the vendors and families waiting in line to visit Santa, as well as a wonderful fireworks display.

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

Cultus Lake Christmas event has grown in attendance every year and this year was enjoyed by upwards of 5,000 people from the Cultus Lake Park community and surrounding areas. The event not only provides family-friendly enjoyment, entertainment and activities but also provides an opportunity for local artisans, food trucks and business to promote or sell their crafts or services.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

The Fraser Valley Regional District name and logo was placed in significance on large sponsor signs throughout the event as well as a thank you poster that was published in the Chillwack Progress and on social media.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Joe Lamb
Organization: Cultus Lake Park


Signature of Submitter

Chief Administrative Officer
Title

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2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area H
Recipient Organization:	Cultus Lake Stewardship Society
Amount of Grant Received:	\$2500.00
Project or Purpose:	Cultus Lake Stewardship Society projects aim to improve the health of the Cultus Lake watershed.

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

See below.

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

See below.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

FVRD is recognized when CLASS makes presentations and during monthly meetings. The CLASS website lists FVRD as a partner in our work.
The Grant in Aid is very helpful for CLASS and I suspect we can do more to recognize the assistance of FVRD.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Coralea Towler coraleatowler@cultusstewards.ca
Organization: Cultus Lake Stewardship Society



Signature of Submitter

CLASS Director

Title

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Fraser Valley Regional District Grant in Aid: CLASS report

CLASS is working to mitigate and increase the awareness of the issues affecting Cultus Lake.

CLASS does this by supporting the smallmouth bass suppression efforts, removal of invasive species and attempting to stop pollution of the watershed and the lake through active intervention and education.

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success:

CLASS developed a presentation to highlight the work of Cultus Stewards and encourage others to help protect Cultus Lake. CLASS Directors used the presentation for groups who share our watershed. Class also attended the Rotary sponsored Climate Fair and Cultus Day with volunteers answering questions and promoting lake health.

Our volunteers work with The Cultus Lake Community School (Swilcha) having students involved in removal of invasive species and planting appropriate replacements, (as in the Green Shores demonstration project) water testing, bird houses, and most recently bats.

CLASS volunteer divers and snorkelers hunted for and destroyed smallmouth bass nests while volunteer "note takers"(working from kayaks or the shore) recorded the water temperature, location, status of the nest(eggs, fry, empty as well as if they had a guarding male) and actions taken. Nest were noted or destroyed depending on their state.

CLASS volunteers attended the fishing derby with educational material and fish dissection to show visitors what the bass are eating.

Statement as to how these funds benefitted the community:

Suppressing the smallmouth bass is critical to give the native fish species in Cultus Lake a chance of surviving. Although eradication is impossible suppression efforts are essential. By educating the public on the harm caused by illegally introducing an invasive species CLASS may help prevent similar actions in the future.

In 2024 118 smallmouth bass nests were destroyed compared to 108 in 2023; 802 fry were removed; 1653 bass and 60 sunfish were captured in 2024 compared to 982 bass captured in 2023.

The data was collected by CLASS in cooperation with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans(DFO) and the BC Ministry of Water, Air and Land Stewardship (WALRUS). This will assist in continuing smallmouth bass suppression at Cultus Lake and be used to understand the effects of the SMB as they are discovered in other FVRD lakes or anywhere in BC.

CLASS attendance at community events and the annual fishing Derby introduced visitors to the smallmouth bass and promoted the understanding of why they are not wanted. CLASS presentations at events highlight Cultus vulnerabilities and offer ways citizens can help improve and protect our watershed.

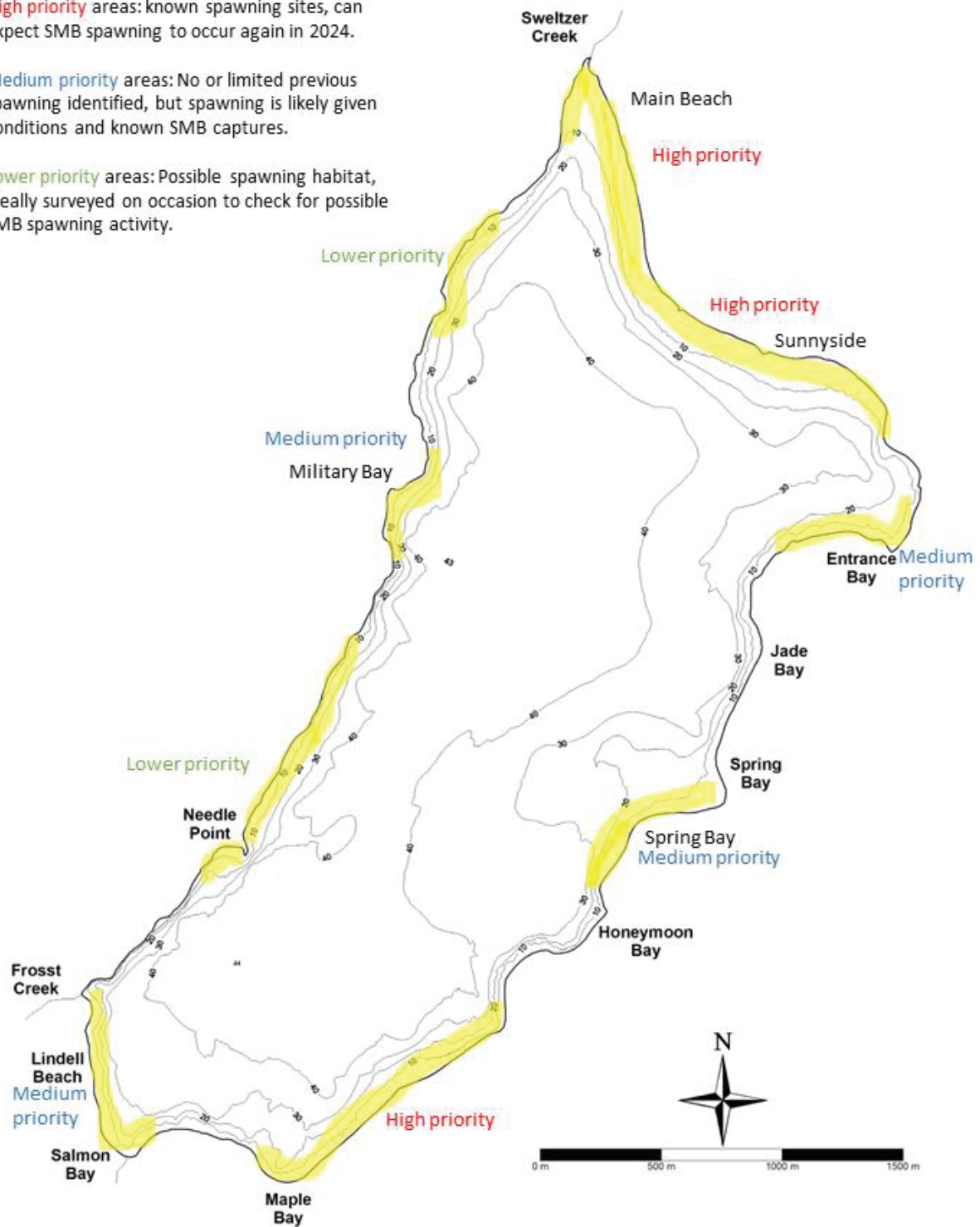




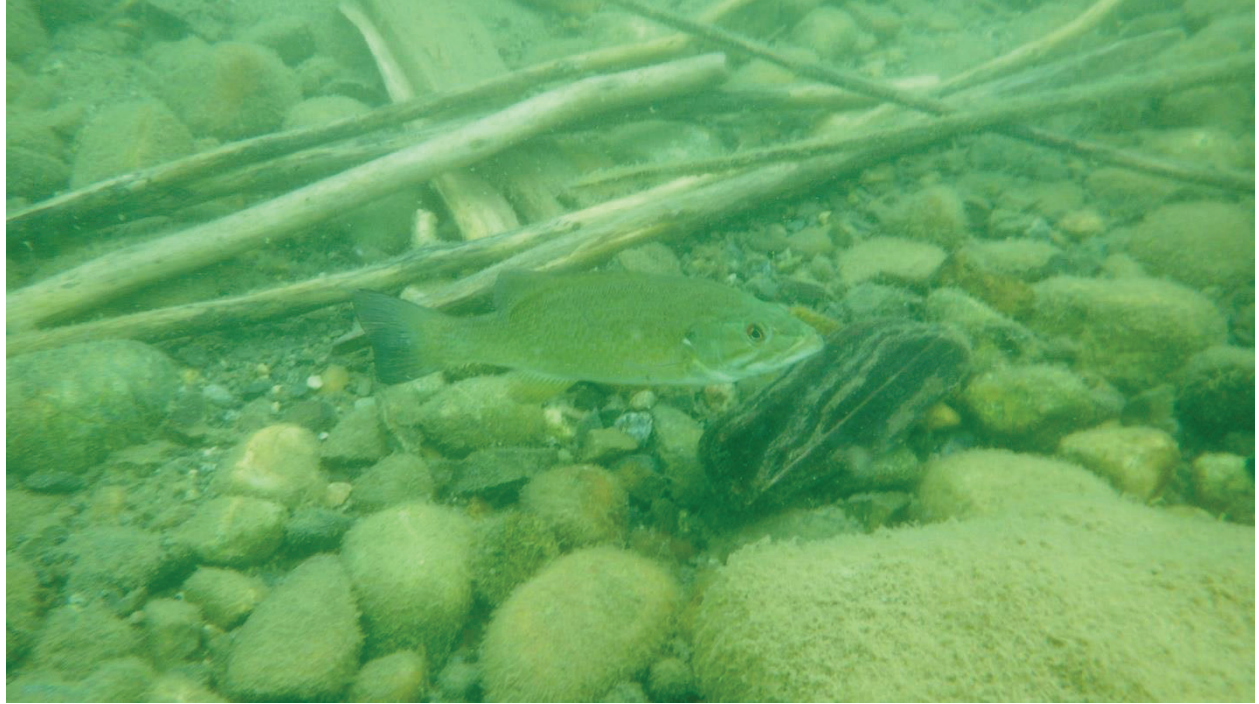
High priority areas: known spawning sites, can expect SMB spawning to occur again in 2024.

Medium priority areas: No or limited previous spawning identified, but spawning is likely given conditions and known SMB captures.

Lower priority areas: Possible spawning habitat, ideally surveyed on occasion to check for possible SMB spawning activity.









2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area H
Recipient Organization:	Eastern Fraser Valley Lions
Amount of Grant Received:	\$2,500
Project or Purpose:	Funding for Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

Funds were utilized host the fishing derby and cover the costs of event insurance, park and equipment rental fees, First Aid attendance, website update, and event advertising. The 2024 Derby saw a reduced number of participants due to the heavy rain and stormy conditions that were experienced for much of the day, but there were still nearly 200 adventuresome kids and adults register as anglers for the event. 181 Pike Minnow and 81 Smallmouth Bass were caught and removed from the lake during the derby. Many non-anglers stopped in to visit the interesting displays, take part in the fun activities and numerous kids enjoyed the free, wooden fish painting to take home a personalized souvenir.

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

The Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby is intended to aid the recovery of the Cultus Lake sockeye salmon population by reducing predation on sockeye juveniles from native Pike Minnow and invasive Smallmouth Bass predation. The event shares information with the community lake residents and visitors of the importance of the local ecosystem and, informs them of best practices which will help ensure long-term viability of the lake environment and, the Cultus Lake sockeye. This is an area-wide event with participants from throughout the FVRD and we thank the all who helped us in making the derby a reality. We especially wish to thank Area H Director Dixon and FVRD Board and staff for the ongoing support shown.

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

FVRD was recognized as a funding agency on signage at the event's main tent, on event posters circulated throughout the region before the day and on the summary report to FVRD finance which was also supplied to all local Lions Clubs and our Lions International District Environmental Committee.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Robert Prinse, Chair

Organization: Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby Committee

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Signature of Submitter

Chairperson, Lions Cultus Derby Committee

Title

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Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby

September 21, 2024

Report to the FVRD for the Area H Grant in Aid to Assist the 2024 Derby

The **Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby** is intended to aid the recovery of the Cultus Lake sockeye salmon population by reducing predation on sockeye juveniles from native Pike Minnow and invasive Smallmouth Bass predation. The derby also provides a fun, family oriented recreational event which shares information with lake residents and visitors of the importance of the local ecosystem and, informs them of best practices which will help ensure long-term viability of the lake environment and, the Cultus Lake sockeye.

Since 2015 our six Eastern Fraser Valley Lions Clubs from Agassiz-Harrison, Chilliwack, Deroche and Hope have conducted the derby and we thank the 35 Lions Club members and all the other volunteers who took part in making this a success once again!

The 2024 Derby saw a reduced number of participants due to the heavy rain and stormy conditions we experienced for much of the day but, we still had nearly 200 adventuresome kids and adults register as anglers for the event. 181 Pike Minnow and 81 Smallmouth Bass were caught and removed from the lake during the derby. Many non-anglers stopped in to visit the interesting displays, take part in the fun activities and numerous kids enjoyed the free, wooden fish painting to take home a personalized souvenir.

The \$2,500 GIA provided ensured we were once again able to host this fun day and we used these funds in their entirety to cover the costs of event insurance, park and equipment rental fees, First Aid attendance, website update, and event advertising.

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As Lions, we serve for the betterment of our communities and, we are committed to the more than 500 hours of volunteer time it takes to ensure a successful derby. This is an area-wide event with participants from throughout the FVRD and we thank the all who helped us in making the derby a reality and, such a fun family day for so many on the Father's Day weekend! **Cultus Lake Stewards, the Fraser Basin Council, Cultus Lake Parks Board, St. Johns Ambulance, Fisheries and Oceans Canada** and others, assisted during the day and/or had displays on hand to inform and educate the public.

We especially wish to thank **Area H Director Dixon and FVRD Board and staff** for the ongoing support shown and, we intend to host our next derby on Saturday June 14th, 2025.

Sincerely,

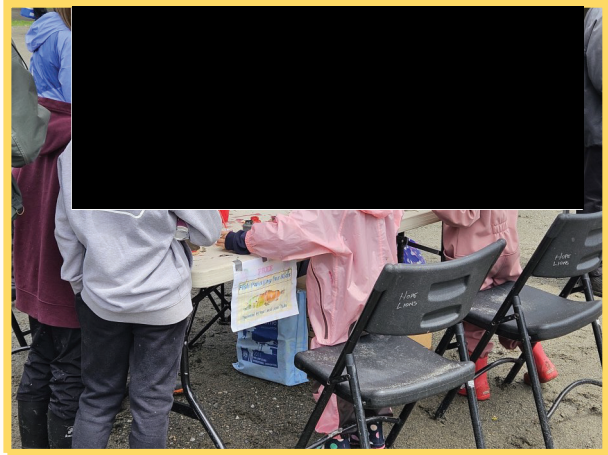
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Chair, Lions Cultus Lake Fishing Derby Committee

Our **Lions Clubs** partnered with several organizations including the **Fraser Valley Regional District**, **BC's Family Fishing Weekend** and **Fisheries and Oceans Canada - Chilliwack River Hatchery**



Chilliwack Hatchery staff were damp but smiling and, the "Guess How Many Fish" contest was very popular!



Youngsters enjoying the fish painting on a day when rain jackets and umbrellas were the norm!



FVRD Area H Director Dixon chatting with local residents



Even the geese were hoping the rain would stop!



St. Johns Ambulance volunteers



Rain or not it was still a beautiful location to spend time with friends and family



A break in the weather late in the day helped everyone dry off before heading home

2024 Grant-in-Aid: Success and Impact Statement

Grant Type:	Electoral Area Grant-in-Aid
Electoral Area:	Electoral Area F
Recipient Organization:	McConnell Creek Framer's Institute Hall
Amount of Grant Received:	\$7,500
Project or Purpose:	To help support the community hall

Statement as to the usage of funds and their success, including pictures of the project/event and any other supporting information¹:

- The area around the Gazebo has been landscaped and leveled with additional soil and grass was planted
- All fluorescent lights in the hall were upgraded to more efficient LED lights
- Broken floor tiles were replaced. The floor was also stripped and rewaxed
- The property was surveyed and the east side property line is being fenced.

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

The Gazebo is more functional now and is usable for community events
 The LED lights are more long lasting and more energy efficient so lighting in the hall is better
 The broken floor tiles where a tripping hazard which has been eliminated for all that use the hall
 Fencing improves safety as neighbour property has an electricified fence which is now unassailable from the hall property

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Statement as to how the Fraser Valley Regional District was recognized as a funding agency through signage, event literature and/or program websites.

Hall acknowledges the contribution of the grant in aid from the Regional District as its annual general meeting.

Submitted By (Name/Title): Elizabeth Price, Secretary

Organization: McConnell Creek Farmer's Institute Hall

Elizabeth Price

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Signature of Submitter

Secretary

Title

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McConnell Creek Farmers Institute Hall
35483 Hartley Road, Mission, BC V2V0A8

January 16, 2025

Fraser Valley Regional District
#1 - 45950 Cheam Ave
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V2P 1N6

Attention : Finance Department

Dear Sirs,

On behalf of the McConnell Creek Farmer's Institute Hall Board of Directors and members we want to thank the Regional District for the grant that we received in 2024 for our 2024-2025 fiscal year. These funds were much appreciated and used for the following items at the hall

- The area around the Gazebo has been landscaped and leveled with additional soil and grass was planted
- All fluorescent lights in the hall were upgraded to more efficient LED lights
- Broken floor tiles were replaced. The floor was also stripped and rewaxed
- The property was surveyed and the east side property line is being fenced.

We have a picture of the gazebo landscaping. These things would not have been possible without the grant we received.

Again, on behalf of the McConnell Creek Farmer's Institute Hall board of directors, members, and the community at large we thank the Regional District for their support and look forward to their continuing support for our community hall.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Price
Chairperson

