

To: Electoral Area Services Committee

Date: 2018-05-08

From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations

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Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request – 1st Hope Scouting, Electoral Area “B”

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,000 to 1st Hope Scouting, funded from the 2018 Electoral Area “B” grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs associated with purchasing a used trailer to transport utility gear for events and excursions.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

PRIORITIES

Priority #5 Outdoor Recreation

BACKGROUND

This request for funding is eligible under the “Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area” option.

DISCUSSION

Scouts Canada is an organization that strives to bring adventure, outdoor experience and friendship to youth. Specifically, the 1st Hope Scouting unit serves youth in Hope, Yale, Spuzzum, Sunshine Valley, Chawathil and Laidlaw, boasting a membership of 79 youth and volunteers.

1st Hope Scouting is requesting a \$2,000 grant-in-aid to assist with the costs of purchasing a used trailer to help transport utility gear on outings as this will save time and money on having to rent or borrow utility trailers that are not necessarily local. This will allow them to bring more youth out of town for travel opportunities as well as participating in more volunteer events with this increased capacity for transportation of equipment.

Director Adamson is in support of providing a grant-in-aid of \$2,000 to 1st Hope Scouting for this purpose.

COST

The \$2,000 cost will be funded from the Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget which has sufficient funds to support this request

CONCLUSION

A grant-in-aid application has been received from 1st Hope Scouting seeking support for the purchase of a used utility trailer to transport equipment.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported.

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported