

CORPORATE REPORT

To: CAO for the Electoral Area Services Committee Date: 2019-03-12
From: Kristy Hodson, Manager of Financial Operations File No: 1850-20 / 003

Subject: Grant-In-Aid Request – Read Right Society, Electoral Area "B"

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Fraser Valley Regional District Board authorize a grant-in-aid in the amount of \$2,500 to the Read Right Society, funded from the 2019 Electoral Area "B" grant-in-aid budget to help offset the costs of books and materials to provide literacy programs.

STRATEGIC AREA(S) OF FOCUS

Support Healthy & Sustainable Community

BACKGROUND

This request for funding is eligible under the EA Grant-in-Aid policy under the "Activities/ programs which are accessible to a large portion of the electoral area" option.

DISCUSSION

The Read Right Society is a registered charity located in Hope, and their mission is to develop and deliver literacy programs to the community, to establish, maintain and operate an educational training centre that delivers literacy training to the community and to operate a drop-in centre that offers life skills, literacy training and referrals to community services. They serve clients in Hope, Sunshine Valley, Dogwood, Yale, Spuzzum, and Boston Bar.

The Read Right Society is requesting a grant-in-aid of \$2,500 to help with the costs of books and materials for literacy programs. Each year, they organize and implement programs and activities which increase access to books for all ages.

Director Adamson is in support of providing a grant-in-aid of \$2,500 to the Read Right Society for this project.

COST

The \$2,500 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 Read Right Society seeking support for their literacy programs.

COMMENTS BY:

Mike Veenbaas, Director of Financial Services

Reviewed and supported.

Paul Gipps, Chief Administrative Officer

Reviewed and supported.