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March 27, 2024

John MacLean Chief Administrative Officer Columbia Shuswap Regional District Box 978 Salmon Arm, BC V1E 4P1

#### Email: jmaclean@csrd.bc.ca

Dear Mr. MacLean:

#### Re: City of Revelstoke – Columbia Basin Trust Resident Directed (ReDi) Grant Program Recommendations

During the Regular Council Meeting held March 26, 2024, Revelstoke City Council passed the following resolution to support the CBT Evaluation Committee recommendations (attached) to the Columbia Shuswap Regional District as follows:

"THAT the funding allocations in the amount of \$414,301 from the Columbia Basin Trust Resident Directed (ReDi) Grant Program for 2024 as recommended by the Program Evaluation Committee be approved by Council and sent to the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Board for approval."

Should you have any questions please contact Cindy Floyd, Director of Corporate Services, at 250-837-2911.

Sincerely,

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Cindy Floyd Director of Corporate Services

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cc: D. Brooks-Hill, CSRD Area B Director Jennifer Sham, Corporate Officer/Manager CSRD

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#### **Council Report**

File No.: 4710 & 1855

To:	His Worship Mayor Sulz and Members of City Council
From:	Cindy Floyd, Director of Corporate Services Janet Delesalle, Executive Assistant
Date:	March 26, 2024
Subject:	Columbia Basin Trust (CBT) – 2024 ReDi Grant Program

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT** the funding allocations in the amount of \$414,301 from the Columbia Basin Trust Resident Directed (ReDi) Grant Program for 2024 as recommended by the Program Evaluation Committee be approved by Council and sent to the Columbia Shuswap Regional District Board for approval.

#### CAO Comments:

Concur with the recommendation.

#### **Executive Summary:**

The Resident Directed Grant is an annual grant program provided by the Columbia Basin Trust and administered through the Trust's regional and indigenous partners. Eligible applicants within Revelstoke and Columbia Shuswap Regional District (CSRD) Area B are afforded an opportunity to submit projects proposals that are considered by a select Evaluation Committee based on eligibility criteria, public input and the spirit and intent of the Program. Evaluation Committee funding recommendations require Council and CSRD support prior to awarding funding to successful applicants.

#### **Background:**

The ReDi Grant Program has been supporting community projects for over 20 years and aims to support local projects that provide additional value to Basin communities with the intent to benefit the broad community and public good. Program funds are distributed annually to the Trust's local government partners, which includes the City of Revelstoke and CSRD Area B. ReDi Grant funding available for 2024/2025 Revelstoke and Area B projects is \$414,301.



The Evaluation Committee tasked with assessing project proposals and making funding recommendations consisted of 5 volunteer community members with experience serving on this Committee: Brady Blake, Lisa Cyr, Ardelle Hynes, Cindy Maloney, and David Raven.

The Public Engagement session was held in person at the Revelstoke Community Centre on March 13. The 2024 ReDi Grant Program and public engagement event was advertised through our website, <u>local newspaper and social media</u> (linked Attachment 1) platforms.

The public engagement event allows applicants an opportunity to present project overviews, intended community benefits, requested funding amounts and answer any questions the Evaluators may have. Following all presentations, the attending public was afforded an opportunity to vote for up to 10 of their preferred project proposals. Attendees were required to be present for the entire session to vote.

#### **Discussion:**

A total of 44 applications were received by the February 12, 2024, closing date.

The public input portion of the program is worth 15% of the overall grading for the grant applications. A total of 193 people attended the public engagement session, which included applicants and the public.

The Evaluation Committee met in person on March 15, 2024, and completed the difficult task of reviewing the various proposals. Funding requests totalled \$698,005 and \$414,301 was distributed by the Committee.

A summary of all applications with a brief description and explanation of how the project would benefit the community is linked to this report for information. Recommended funding allocations are attached for Council review. The Evaluation Committee did not recommend funding to the Diverse Family Roots Society as the application did not provide detail as to how the program would be delivered to residents of Revelstoke and CSRD Area B.

#### **Financial Implications:**

The funding for this program is received from CBT and administered by the City of Revelstoke Corporate Services Department.

A total of \$412,356 was received for 2024. The City is allowed to retain an administration fee of up to 7% of this amount to cover the cost of administering the program. The City plans to retain the full 7% administration fee. For 2024, the minimum amount that must be distributed is \$383,491 (93%). The recommended distributions exceed this minimum requirement due to unutilized grants from previous years.



#### **Attachments/ Links:**

Linked Attachment 1 – <u>2024 Advertising</u> Linked Attachments 2 – <u>2024 Summary of Applications</u> Attachment 3 - <u>2024 Recommended Funding Awards</u>

#### Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Floyd J Director of Corporate Services

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#### 2024 REDI GRANTS PROGRAM FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

	Organization	2023 Funding	2024 Total Budget	2024 Request	Request Tally	Funding commended	Funding Tally
35	Revelstoke Search & Rescue - Response Equipment		6,372	5,700	5,700	\$ 5,700.00	\$5,700
36	Revelstoke Senior Citizen's Assoc Volunteer Medical Transport Program	10,000	39,000	20,000	25,700	\$ 10,000.00	\$15,700
12	Freshwater Fisheries Society BC - Revelstoke Learn to Fish Program		3,925	2,500	28,200	\$ 2,500.00	\$18,200
6	Community Connections - Food Bank	20,422	321,456	60,000	88,200	\$ 30,000.00	\$48,200
40	Revelstoke Women's Shelter Soc Mental Health Matters		124,413	30,000	118,200	\$ 20,000.00	\$68,200
42	School District #19 - Revelstoke Healthy School Food Program	20,000	131,256	10,000	128,200	\$ 10,000.00	\$78,200
13	Girl Guides of Canada - International Trip		115,193	999	129,199	\$ 999.00	\$79,199
21	Revelstoke Bear Aware - Cub Crew Program		33,200	20,900	150,099	\$ 18,000.00	\$97,199
1	Avalanche Canada - Staying Alive	2,050	3,181	1,900	151,999	\$ 1,900.00	\$99,099
43	Revelstoke Ski Club - Critical Life Cycle Equipment Replacement & Upgrade		22,900	17,375	169,374	\$ 9,000.00	\$108,099
5	City of Revelstoke - Youth Access Fund	3,000	15,000	5,000	174,374	\$ 5,000.00	\$113,099
31	Revelstoke Nordic Ski Club - Trail Equipment & Signage Update		11,440	8,950	183,324	\$ 7,950.00	\$121,049
39	Revelstoke Visual Arts Soc Print Making Studio at RVAC		14,000	11,200	194,524	\$ 9,000.00	\$130,049
24	Revelstoke Cycling Association - Trail Maintenance	10,000	163,848	22,500	217,024	\$ 10,000.00	\$140,049
27	Revelstoke Hospice Society - Full Spectrum Bereavement Support		74,610	17,000	234,024	\$ 10,000.00	\$150,049
29	Revelstoke Local Food Initiative - Food Security Education & Access Program	17,000	85,450	43,120	277,144	\$ 20,000.00	\$170,049
38	Revelstoke Summer Swim Club - Swimming Starting Blocks		53,043	15,000	292,144	\$ 10,000.00	\$180,049
44	Rev. Acrobats Trampoline Gymnastics - Coach & Athlete Develop. w/ guest		9,091	6,970		\$ 6,000.00	\$186,049
30	Revelstoke Mus. & Archives - Lardeau History Collection		14,110		312,224	\$ 8,000.00	\$194,049
7	Community Connections - Youth Mental Health	20,000	52,722	32,909	345,133	\$ 20,000.00	\$214,049
23	Revelstoke Child Care Soc Leap Land Early Learning Program	13,000	36,237	18,000	363,133	\$ 13,000.00	\$227,049
18	Revelstoke After School Soc Empowering Youth through Outdoor Exploration	,	20,255	11,355		\$ 10,000.00	\$237,049
	Revelstoke Senior Citizen's Assoc Programming & Capacity Building Project	5,000	28,300	25,000	399,488	\$ 10,000.00	\$247,049
	Revelstoke Arts Council - World Music Series		37,305	2,595		\$ 2,595.00	\$249,644
41	Revelstoke Women's Shelter Soc Senior Life Newsletter	2,000	5,080	2,000		\$ 2,000.00	\$251,644
25	Revelstoke Golf Club - Community Jr. Golf Enhancements	5,214	6,515	6,515		\$ 6,000.00	\$257,644
10	Community Connections - Parent Support Group	10,000	36,600	18,300		\$ 15,000.00	\$272,644
	Open Mountains Project Society - Daily Dirt Mtn. Bike Program	4,500	9,000		433,898	\$ 5,000.00	\$277,644
	BC Interior Forestry Museum - Infrastructure Upgrades	.,	11,462		443,596		\$287,111
	Open Mountains Project Society - DEI Programming		27,870		457,106	 10,000.00	\$297,111
9	Community Connections - Community Drop In	15,000	77,536	-	495,874	\$ 15,000.00	\$312,111
	Okanagan College - Upskills Community Training Initiative	10,000	29,000	-	512,624	\$ 15,000.00	\$327,111
	Community Connections - Food Security Program	17,000	35,000	15,000		\$ 10,000.00	\$337,111
	Revelstoke Heritage Railway Soc Operation Lifesaver Exhibit	,	12,300		539,924	\$ 8,000.00	\$345,111
22	Revelstoke Child Care Soc Playground Communication Boards		42,240		557,164	\$ 10,000.00	\$355,111
19	Revelstoke & District Humane Society - Spay & Neuter Program	5,000	17,100	15,000		\$ 10,000.00	\$365,111
	Revelstoke Pickleball Club - Reducing Fees to Play Indoor Pickleball	.,	5,000	5,000		\$ 2,500.00	\$367,611
	Revelstoke Paddlesport Assoc Revy Fest		42,600	29,600	606,764	\$ 9,000.00	\$376,611
32	Revelstoke Paddlesport Assoc After School Youth Paddling Program		3,690	3,690		\$ 3,690.00	\$380,301
-	BC Sailing Association - Mobile Sailing Program Revelstoke		13,500	,	619,154	\$ 5,000.00	\$385,301
	Mountain CoLab - Improvement Project		24,681	14,251	633,405	\$ 10,000.00	\$395,301
	Revelstoke Idea Factory - Empowering Innovation through Fab Lab		41,500	41,500		\$ 15,000.00	\$410,301
	Bee Awareness Society - School Education Program	5,800	6,500	-	681,405	\$ 4,000.00	\$414,301
	Diverse Family Roots Society - Supporting Families w/ Diverse Needs etc.		16,600	16,600		\$	\$414,301
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	TOTAL ASK: \$698,005						
	TOTAL AVAILABLE: \$414,301						